



Upper Uwchlan Township
Board of Supervisors
Workshop
May 11, 2021
4:00 p.m.
Minutes
Approved

LOCATION: This was a virtual only meeting, held via Zoom video/audio conferencing, to minimize public exposure to COVID-19. The meeting's Public Notice instructed those interested in participating in the meeting to email or call the Township Manager for the link and password to join the meeting.

Attendees:

Sandy D'Amico, Chair	Tony Scheivert, Township Manager
Jamie Goncharoff, Vice-Chair	Shanna Lodge, Assistant Township Manager
Jenn Baxter, Member	Gwen Jonik, Township Secretary
	John DeMarco, Police Chief
Kristin Camp, Esq., Township Solicitor	Mike Heckman, Public Works Director

Sandy D'Amico called the Workshop to order at 4:00 p.m., led the Pledge of Allegiance and offered a moment of silence. No one planned to record the meeting. Four citizens attended.

Financial Security / Improvements Agreements Extension Requests

Alyson Zarro, Esq., presented a request to extend RIP Holdings' development and financial security agreements for the Profound Technologies/125 Little Conestoga Road project. The request is to extend the Agreements, which currently expire May 13, 2021, to September 30, 2021. The project is substantially complete. There are no public improvements to be dedicated to the Township. Jenn Baxter moved, seconded by Jamie Goncharoff, to extend the Financial Security / Site Improvements Agreements to September 30, 2021. The motion carried unanimously.

Alyson Zarro, Esq., presented a request to extend to September 30, 2021, Moser Construction Management's development and financial security agreements for the Marsh Lea project. The agreements currently expire May 31, 2021. The only outstanding item is top coating and dedication of the roadway, to Upper Uwchlan Township, which they anticipate completely over the summer. Jenn Baxter moved, seconded by Jamie Goncharoff, to extend the Financial Security / Site Improvements Agreements to September 30, 2021. The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution recognizing National Public Works Week

Tony Scheivert introduced a Resolution proclaiming May 16-22, 2021 as National Public Works Week, sponsored by the American Public Works Association / Canadian Public Works Association. This calls attention and pays tribute to our public works professionals, who carry out their duties maintaining and improving township infrastructure, which contributes to the health, safety and quality of life for Upper Uwchlan Township residents. Jenn Baxter moved, seconded by Jamie Goncharoff, to adopt Resolution # 05-11-21-03, proclaiming May 16-22, 2021 National Public Works Week. The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution in Support of a Liquor License Transfer

Tony Scheivert introduced a Resolution that states the Township's support of an inter-municipal liquor license transfer, from a now-closed restaurant in Malvern to the Epicurean Garage. The Board had previously supported Epicurean Garage's application for an economic development license, which was unsuccessful. Kristin Camp, Esq., advised that a public hearing would be scheduled and advertised, to receive public comment, before the Board can take a vote. The hearing will be scheduled for the Board's June 8, 2021 Workshop or June 21, 2021 Meeting.

Future Meeting Schedule

Tony Scheivert asked the Board if they'd like to return to in-person meetings. The Governor has announced that all restrictions except masking will be lifted May 31st, allowing for larger sized indoor and outdoor gatherings. We could return to meeting in the schoolhouse, requiring masks for attendees, or conduct hybrid meetings for a time. The Board favors in-person meetings if they can be held at a safe capacity. Staff will research what, if any, limitations there will be on indoor gatherings.

Presentation by T&M Associates re: Storm Water Basin Modifications

Shanna Lodge noted the Township has received a \$280,000 Grant from PaDEP to retrofit 2 Township-owned/maintained storm water basins in the Heather Hill neighborhood and one at Upland Farms Park, which will assist in our compliance with MS4 requirements. Ms. Lodge introduced Zach Ranstead and Paul Boettinger of T&M Associates, who are designing the basins. The Heather Hill basins will be retrofitted with infiltration beds and retain water for a short period of time, a post and rail fence will be installed on the perimeters, and public works will continue to mow the basins. The basin at Upland Farms will catch 20,000 CF of runoff and needs media added for increased filtering. A post and rail fence will be installed here, also.

Open Session

Tony Scheivert provided the following updates:

At the Board's May 17 meeting, they'll consider adopting the Ordinance approving the 5-year Verizon Franchise Agreement. The amount of the franchise fee will be determined at that time. It is currently 5% but previous discussions have included reducing it to 3% or eliminating it.

A conditional use application has been received for adaptive reuse of an historic resource on Moore Road. The project will be introduced to the Board in June.

Gwen Jonik noted the Authority has awarded the contract for the Byers Road sanitary sewer extension and the contractor will mobilize soon. Tony Scheivert added that the contractor, Highway Materials, has requested closing the Byers Road and Graphite Mine Road intersection, short-term, at night to accomplish the work in the intersection.

Jamie Goncharoff expressed his opposition to this evening's Zoning Hearing for an undersized vacant lot.

Adjournment

There being no further business to be brought before the Board, Sandy D'Amico adjourned the Workshop at 4:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Gwen A. Jonik
Township Secretary