

TOWNSHIP OF UPPER CHICHESTER

September 10, 2015

I. CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners was called to order by Mr. Michael Gaudio, President, in the Meeting Room of the Municipal Building, Furey Road, Delaware County, Pennsylvania. Mr. Gaudio conducted the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. ROLL CALL

Roll was conducted by Mr. Michael Gaudio. Mr. Gaudio, Mr. Raikowski, Ms. Whitaker, Mr. Baiocco, Mr. Neary, Mr. Viscuso and Mr. Catania, all present.

III. MEETING MINUTES

Moved by Mr. Neary, seconded by Mr. Raikowski, the Board approved the meeting minutes from the August 13, 2015 regular meeting. Questions? Motion carried without dissent.

Mr. Gaudio noted the Board held Executive Sessions on August 24, September 3 and September 10, 2015 to discuss various legal and personnel issues.

IV. COMMENTS OF CITIZENS

1. Nick Tortorello, 410 Dogwood Circle. He stated about a month ago he questioned the amount spent on the fields and whether, because the cost was over the bid, if the township would be having a tax increase or special assessment. Mr. Gaudio explained that there was enough money and at this point there would be no tax increase. Also, the ballfields are finished and were used for Community Day.

2. Jason Zumberg, 2113 Sunnyside Lane, Garnet Valley, PA 19060 He spoke about Apria Healthcare and violations. Mr. McMullan was handling. Mr. Gaudio said he would look into this.

3. *Lou Perti, 3665 Market St. Mr. Perti was again questioning the businesses that were fined for not paying. Mr. Gaudio said that this was handled and the response from sending emails was great. Mr. Perti asked about the ballfields. He was told the total was \$740,000 for which we got a grant for \$250,000. This was a matching grant. Mr. Viscuso stated that \$66,000 was held from the final payment of Maxis, we went to arbitration and lost and had to pay that amount.*
4. *Frank Sill, 4308 Trophy Dr. Mr. Sill wanted to say that the Community Day was a very prideful and successful day. Mr. Gaudio said he wanted to thank Dan Kelly and Joe Corcoran for their help with the gators to move the equipment on and off of the field. The moon bounces were more family oriented instead of the carnival. All of the vendors appreciated the help. Also, Mr. Gaudio thanked Joan, Oakie, Putt and Nicole.*

V. ENGINEER'S REPORT

1. *Mr. Viscusco presented the Engineer's report.*
2. *Moved by Mr. Baiocco and seconded by Mr. Raikowski, a payment to A. F. Damon in the amount of \$265,678.20 was approved. Damon will be back for some cleanup work in different areas.*
3. *Monroe Energy is doing berm work on Bernard St. for drainage.*
4. *Royal Farms is not ready to proceed. Forms need some adjustments made. Per the solicitor, the agreement came back with changes to which we do not agree and he needs to clarify and correct with their attorney. Discussion also was had about the fire marshal ordering the securing of the properties after the fire companies had performed drilling firefighting activities on the property.*

5. *Fizzano property on Township Line Road wants to proceed. Mr. Viscusco will review with the board of commissioners.*
6. *A plan application has come in from Galante on Rte. 322. This is a repair garage and he has already been granted variances from the zoning hearing board.*
7. *Resolution 2015-30 for MapleZone, motioned by Mr. Neary and seconded by Mr. Baiocco to release escrow #9 in the amount of \$69,912.18. Motion carried without dissent.*
8. *Mr. Raikowski asked if the SDCA had been asked if they have any interest in the Larkin Rd. property before the township declines its interest. The property is on the repository list and Mr. Catania will look into whether the SDCA interest and/or easements survive once it goes to the repository list.*
9. *Moved by Mr. Neary and seconded by Mr. Baiocco to go ahead with the insurance claim for Route 322 & Bethel/Chelsea traffic signal improvements as well as the repairs to be performed by Signal Service in the amount of \$23,861.00. Motion carried.*

VI. SOLICITOR'S REPORT

1. *Mr. Catania spoke about Ordinance 702 – student housing, Mr. Gaudio stated that he felt this ordinance should go to the Upper Chichester Planning Commission for their recommendations. Moved by Ms. Whitaker, seconded by Mr. Neary. Motion carried.*
2. *Mr. Catania introduced Resolution 2015-31 PLGIT - making Kate Kauranen the contact person for the PLGIT accounts. Moved by Mr. Neary, seconded by Ms. Whitaker. Motion carried.*
3. *Mr. Catania introduced Resolution 2015-32 revoking John McMullan as treasurer, secretary, open records officer and any other appointed position in the township. Moved by Mr. Neary, seconded by Ms. Whitaker. Motion carried.*

4. *Mr. Catania stated he would look into the Larkin Rd. repository sale.*
5. *Mr. Catania stated he would authorize intervention for ward reapportionment and request the school district to join. Motion by Mr. Neary, seconded by Ms. Whitaker. Motion carried.*

VII. REPORTS OF COMMISSIONERS

A. *Highway & Sanitation, Library, Street Lighting & Traffic Signals* – *Mr. Baiocco, Chairman*

1. *Mr. Baiocco thanked everyone for helping with Community Day. The day was very successful.*
2. *Mr. Baiocco asked to start the process to hire at least 1 person for now. Mr. Gaudioso said to go ahead with the process and the consensus of the Board was to proceed.*
3. *Mr. Baiocco stated that the Library book sale is scheduled for Friday and Saturday, September 18 & 19 in the lobby and field house.*
4. *Mr. Baiocco stated that street light project should be under consideration.*

B. *Recreation, Sewer & Water* – *Ms. Whitaker, Chairman*

1. *Ms. Whitaker stated over 40 organizations were involved in Community Day and was a great success. The fireworks were spectacular as usual. The volunteer organizations received a plaque of appreciation from the Recreation department.*
2. *Ms. Whitaker announced the Community Yard sale is scheduled for Saturday, 9/26.*
3. *Ms. Whitaker also announced that the Health & Safety Fair is scheduled for Saturday, 10/3.*
4. *Ms. Whitaker noted the reports are on file in the office for review.*

C. *Fire & Safety, Zoning & Planning* – *Mr. Raikowski, Chairman*

1. Mr. Raikowski noted that the reports are on file in the office for review.
2. Mr. Raikowski also thanked the highway department for the storm sewer work that they are doing. They are saving the township money by them doing all the work.

D. Administration/Finance, Grants, Open Space/Shade Tree – Mr. Neary, Chairman

1. Administration/Financial reports are on file in the office for review.
2. Moved by Mr. Neary, seconded by Mr. Raikowski, that the Board approve the List of Bills for the General Fund, in the amount of \$425,109.15. Motion carried.
3. Mr. Neary stated there were no trash refunds.
4. Mr. Neary stated the Creekside was moving forward with the COA-Gamble Townhouse development.
5. Mr. Neary stated that our Minimum Municipal Obligation for the Police Pension is \$1,037.905, Non-Uniformed Pension is \$126,220 and Non-Uniformed Defined Contribution is \$16,000.
6. Mr. Neary stated that we were moving forward with the ACA Tracking Agreement.
7. Moved by Mr. Neary, seconded by Ms. Whitaker that we move forward on the Johnson Control lighting proposal. Motion carried.
8. Mr. Neary stated that service recognition proposal is moving ahead.
9. Mr. Neary stated that the proposal for Fund Accounting should be reviewed next year.

E. Public Safety, License & Inspections & Historical Society – Mr. Gaudio, Chairman

1. Mr. Gaudio stated that Chief Bush requested extra manpower for the weekend of September 25th when the Pope is in the Philadelphia area. Lower Chichester asked to borrow barricades from us for blocking off areas.
2. Mr. Gaudio stated that the inspection department brought in \$23,246.00 this month.

3. *Mr. Gaudioso stated that Linda Lamberto was in the audience and perhaps Mr. Catania and she could talk about the land sale on Larkin Rd, re: Carol Herm.*

VIII. **NEW BUSINESS**

There was a motion made by Mr. Raikowski and seconded by Ms. Whitaker to hire Brian Razzi as the new Township Manager. Motion to table was made by Mr. Neary and seconded by Mr. Baiocco. The roll call vote was Mr. Raikowski, No, Ms. Whitaker, No, Mr. Baiocco, Yes, Mr. Neary, Yes, and Mr. Gaudioso, Yes. Further discussion of the item will be discussed in executive session.

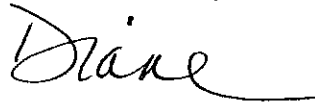
IX. **OLD BUSINESS**

There was none to discuss.

X. **ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Mr. Neary, seconded by Mr. Baiocco that the Board adjourns. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Diane Walls

Assistant Township Secretary