

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

The monthly meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Upper Macungie Township was held on May 1, 2014, in the Municipal Building at 7:00 PM. Those present were Chairman James M. Brunell, Vice-Chairman Samir P. Ashmar, Secretary Kathy A. Rader, Solicitor Andrew Schantz, Township Engineers Scott Stenroos and Dean Haas, Treasurer Barry Moyer, DPW Scott Faust, Deputy Chief Wilson, Fire Commissioner Grant Grim and Assistant Secretary Owen M. Bastian.

Chairman James M. Brunell opened the meeting and asked all present to join him in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States

MINUTES

Chairman Brunell stated that the minutes of the previous meetings would not be read unless there was some objection. Upon a motion by Secretary Rader, seconded by Vice-Chairman Samir P. Ashmar and unanimously approved it was agreed to waive the reading. Upon a motion by Chairman Brunell, seconded by Vice-Chairman Ashmar and unanimously approved the minutes of the previous meeting are approved as presented.

PUBLIC COMMENTS - NONE**PRESENTATION/COURTESY OF THE FLOOR**

Cetronia Ambulance - Proclamation for EMS Week - Chm. Brunell read Proclamation #2014-01 - With the theme - EMS: Dedicated for Life, we encourage the community to observe this week with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and activities. Now, Therefore, the Board of Supervisors of the Township of Upper Macungie, on behalf of all of its citizens does hereby proclaim the week of May 18--24, 2014 as **"EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK"**

Officer Michael Heimes - Deputy Chief Wilson - Late last year 35 persons applied for a position here with the Police Department, 21 were tested on January 5th and we interviewed around 15. The candidate that scored the highest during our process was hired, received all requisite training and passed all qualifications. He began patrolling the Township last week. I would like to formally introduce Officer Michael Himes to the residents of UMT. He may look familiar to many as Ofc. Himes worked for the BLRPD a few years back. Ofc. Himes placed highest in his group of candidates for a position on the UMTPD. Congratulations to Officer Heimes.

ORDINANCES - NONE**RESOLUTIONS -**

Authorizing Disposal of Certain Public Records - Secretary Rader reported on the volumes of old records in storage in the Municipal Building and has received information on the proper way to dispose of old records. Upon a motion by Sec. Rader, seconded by Vice-Chairman Ashmar and unanimously approved it is RESOLVED that RESOLUTION #2014-09 **"A RESOLUTION GRANTING APPROVAL AND AUTHORIZATION TO DISPOSE OF CERTAIN PUBLIC RECORDS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF UPPER MACNGIE, LEHIGH COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA"** be and the same is hereby adopted by the Board of Supervisors of Upper Macungie Township.

MOTIONS -

Trexlerstown Fire Company Concrete Apron - DPW Faust reports that the fire company secured a State grant of approximately \$13,000 to cover the cost of a new concrete apron installation. The plan is to install a 50' x 45' apron in front of the engine room bays. With the trucks going in and out at the same spot every time, the black top is starting to fail in this area. Semmel Excavating has quoted \$7,500 for removal of the spoils and install a new sub-base. In an effort to keep the costs down, the fire company has asked the township to provide trucking for a day to remove the spoils from the excavation. Members of our public works staff have offered to volunteer their time for this project and the question is just a matter of using township trucks. Vice-Chair Ashmar questioned the insurance to cover the project. Upon a motion by V-C Ashmar, seconded by Sec. Rader and unanimously approved the Board of Supervisors approved the use of Township trucks for this project.

Waiver of Conflict for Charles B. Friedlander, F.S.A. - Solicitor Schantz introduced Mr. Friedlander. Mr. Friedlander is an actuary hired to help in the closeout of the BLRPD and set up the new UMTPD. An audit will be needed of all current pension accounts. Upon a motion by Chm. Brunell, seconded by V-C Ashmar and unanimously approved Mr. Friedlander is authorized to represent both the BLRPD and the new UMTPD.

Pay three bills from the LST account, totaling \$99,279.89 - Upon a motion by Chm. Brunell, seconded by Sec. Rader and unanimously approved three invoices are to be paid from the LST account totaling \$99,279.89 \$18,820.89 for road salt; \$31,369.00 for a 2014 Ford Truck; and \$49,090.00 for a 2014 Mack Truck (Both trucks are for the Public Works Dept.)

REPORTS

Treasurer's Report - April Bills - General Fund \$1,212,207.82 and Sewer Fund \$1,084,277.32. Upon a motion by Sec. Rader, seconded by V-C Ashmar and unanimously approved the Treasurer is authorized to pay the bills for the month of April, General Fund \$1,212,207.82 and Sewer Fund \$1,084,277.32.

Recreation Board Report - Sec. Rader reports that the Recreation Passport is available on the table.

Planning Commission Report - Engineer Stenroos there was nothing to report from the April meeting.

Upper Macungie Township Police Report - Deputy Chief Wilson reporting:

Total calls for Service	544
Reportable crashes	12
Non-Reportable Crashes	35
Criminal Arrest (Misdemeanor/Felony)	9
Non-Traffic Citations (summary)	8
Traffic Citations	516
Parking Tickets	38
Written Warnings	105
False Alarms	82

Deputy Chief Wilson - The Activity Report is on the front table. Some reminders - Crime Mapping is available through their website. CrimeMapping.com (this will show the 15 reported crimes)- Be sure to sign up for Nixle Alerts through Nixle.com (for important advisories and bulletins from the Police Dept.)

If you FB "Like" our Facebook page for Department and sometimes entertaining information, as well as Q & A's (between officers and the public)

Up-Coming Community Events co-sponsored by the Department:

Bike Registration

Saturday May 3: Lone Lane Park

Saturday May 10: Coldwater Crossings

Saturday May 17: Applewood

Saturday May 24: Ricky Ridge Park

Saturday May 31: Breinigsville Park

Alzheimer's Safe Return Program (educational seminar on the disease at HQ: Sunday May 4, 2-4 PM.

Women's Self Defense At Leading Edge in South Whitehall May 14 12:30-2

Berks/Lehigh Police Report - VC Ashmar - Should hear outcome of affects bargaining soon. Next meeting scheduled for May 29 at station 56 at 7 P.M. .

Fire/EMS Report - Fire Commissioner Grim reported for the month of April. Fire Inspections 54; Emergency responses, Station 8'- 24; Station 25'- 22; Station 56'-28; for a total of 74; EMS responses, Priority 1 (echo, delta, charlie) 59; Priority 2(bravo) 42; Priority 3 (alpha) - 55; Mutual aid required 1; Total - 157.

Fogelsville Dam - Engineer Dean Haas - Engineer Haas reported on progress on the Fogelsville Dam Project.

Parkland Fields - Engineer Stenroos reports that required road improvements on Schantz Road from Holiday Drive to High Saddle Lane to start on May 27th, weather permitting. There will be a two-week road closure and detours will be set up on Lone Lane & Cetronia Road.

Route 863 & Shantz Road & Route 222 - Engineer Stenroos reports that representatives from a firm hired by PennDOT will be at the BOS meeting on June 5th with a presentation on the plans for temporary traffic lights for those intersections.

Public Works Report - Director Faust reported - Mulch will be available for loading during May on Saturday and Sunday mornings from 9 AM to 1 PM.

Zoning Report - Read by Chm. Brunell. The report of the Zoning Officer, Daren J. Martucci, for the month of April was received and showed 61 permits issued, 9 for New Residences, 17 for Residential additions/alterations and roofs, 0 for a new Commercial/Industrial Building, 13 for Commercial/Industrial additions/alterations, 22 Zoning Permits, 12 Electrical and 6 Plumbing Licenses.

The Zoning Hearing Board of Adjustment heard the following appeals April 23rd, 2014:

#04-14-004 - Appeal of KayBuilders for a variance from the requirements of the UMT Zoning Ordinance Section 27-307.B.2.e. Minimum Building Setback for a principal structure, to allow for a minor encroachment upon the required front building setback line. The property is located along Milkweed Drive, near the intersection of Bellflower Way within the Laura Fields Development, and is situated in the R5 Zoning District. A Zoning Variance was granted from Section 27-307.B.2.e. Minimum Building Setback for a Principal Structure.

#03-14-002 - Appeal of Verizon Wireless to permit a commercial communications tower at Breinigsville Park. Withdrawn by applicant.

Lehigh Tax Collection Committee Report - None

SUPERVISORS

Chairman **Nothing**

Vice-Chairman **Nothing**

Secretary Rader Executive Sessions:

April 7, 2014 at 5:00 PM - Personnel Issues

April 17, 2014 at 5:00 PM - Personnel Issues

April 23, 2014 at 4:30 PM - Personnel issues

PUBLIC COMMENT

Phil DeVecchio - Speeding in Lone Lane Park - Signs should be posted

Jeff Strong - Alert residents of traffic signal change at Grim Road and 222 ByPass

Glenn Rader - Questioned call boxes for the fire companies

William McClenaghan - Speeding on Breinigsville Road

Joe Stanton - Speeding on Butz Road & Schaefer Run Road - Check timing on signal at Breinigsville Road & Route 222

Calvin Fetherolf - Speeding on Breinigsville & Brookdale Roads - Check the on-street parking on Kuhns Drive by "Lessons Learned"

Nancy Snyder - Fence for emergency driveway to Ramapo Trail is rotted and now cars are using it

Chris Hooker Haring - The proposal for a cell tower in Breinigsville Park by Verizon has been withdrawn

Ken O'Brien - The Breinigsville West Park is in the making - the site is behind the VFW facility.

Sec. Rader requested permission to spend money from petty cash to supply lunch and refreshments for the Township Manager Search Committee. Upon a motion by Sec. Rader, seconded by Chm. Brunell and it was unanimously approved to use petty cash for the volunteers.

Upon a motion by Sec. Rader, seconded by V-C Ashmar, and unanimously approved the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 P.M. The next regular meeting is June 5, 2014. at 8:30 P.M.

Kathy A. Rader, Secretary

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