

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

The monthly meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Upper Macungie Township was held on March 5, 2015, at 7:00 PM, in the Municipal Building, 8330 Schantz Road, Breinigsville, PA 18031. Those present were Chairman, James M. Brunell; Vice-Chairman John P. "Sean" Gill; Secretary, Kathy A. Rader; Director of Public Works, Scott Faust; and, Police Chief Edgardo Colón.

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 of America.

MINUTES - Chairman Brunell stated that the minutes of the previous meetings of February 5th and 26th, would not be read unless there was some objection. Upon a motion by VC Gill, seconded by Chairman Brunell, and unanimously approved, it was agreed to waive the reading of the minutes of the previous meetings and approve the minutes as presented.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – None

PRESENTATIONS/COURTESY OF THE FLOOR – Chairman Brunell read and presented a Proclamation for retired K-9 Hassan. Officer Matthew Gardner was present with Hassan.

ORDINANCES

Ordinance #2015-1 – has been advertised and is ready for adoption: AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF UPPER MACUNGIE, LEHIGH COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AMENDING CHAPTER 18 (SEWERS AND SEWAGE DISPOSAL); PART 1 (CONNECTIONS TO SEWER SYSTEM) OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF UPPER MACUNGIE ESTABLISHING AND AMENDING PROVISIONS RELATED TO SURCHARGES FOR CERTAIN INDUSTRIAL WASTES AND FOR CERTAIN PROHIBITED WASTES AS ARE SET FORTH MORE FULLY IN THE BODY OF THIS ORDINANCE. Upon a motion by Chairman Brunell, seconded by VC Gill, and unanimous, Ordinance #2015-1 is hereby adopted.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution #2015-13 – RESOLUTION AMENDING THE UPPER MACUNGIE TOWNSHIP OFFICIAL SEWAGE FACILITIES PLAN FOR THE PREVIOUSLY APPROVED LAND DEVELOPMENT PLAN KNOWN AS THE HOME TOWNE DINER LOCATED WITHIN UPPER MACUNGIE TOWNSHIP, PENNSYLVANIA. Upon a motion by Secretary Rader, seconded by VC Gill and unanimous, BE IT RESOLVED that Resolution #2015-13 is hereby adopted.

Resolution #2015-14 – Docket # 1961 – RESOLUTION GRANTING PHASING PLAN APPROVAL TO KAY BUILDERS, INC. (aka LAUREL FIELD, LLC) FOR PHASE 4B OF THE LAUREL FIELD SUBDIVISION ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF WERLEY ROAD, BETWEEN INTERSTATE 78 AND THE PENNSYLVANIA TURNPIKE (I-476), UPPER MACUNGIE TOWNSHIP, PENNSYLVANIA. Upon a motion by Secretary Rader, seconded by VC Gill, and unanimous, BE IT RESOLVED that Resolution #2015-14 is hereby adopted, per the conditons stated in the letter from Keystone Consulting Engineers, Inc., dated March 3, 2015.

MOTIONS

K-9 Agreements – With the retiring of the two K-9s, Hassan and Pako, an agreement is necessary to "transfer ownership" of the dogs to their handlers. After some discussion, it was decided to include, in the agreements, that the Township provide a yearly stipend of \$1,500 towards the care of the dog. Upon a motion by Chairman Brunell, seconded by Secretary Rader and unanimous the agreements are approved with the stipend of \$1,500.

Confirm New Employees:

Cindy Yaskowski – UMTA Office Administrator (Replacing retiring Karen Cole Loehr)

David Malischewski – UMT Police Officer (Replacing Officer Michael Heimes)

Upon a motion by Chairman Brunell, seconded by Secretary Rader and unanimous, the new employees are approved. They will be formally introduced at the April Board of Supervisors meeting.

Permission to Hire Finance Director – Manager Olpere has requested to hire a Finance Director for the Township. With the pending future retirement of Township Treasurer, Barry Moyer, this hiring is suggested by the township auditing CPA firm. Upon a motion by Secretary Rader, seconded by VC Gill and unanimous, permission is given.

Permission to Bid Grass Cutting – DPW Faust has requested to go out for bid for the grass cutting. This would be a three year contract. Upon a motion by Secretary Rader, seconded by VC Gill and unanimous, permission is given.

Sale of 1995 Fire Truck (Formerly – Fogelsville 811) – Fire Commissioner Grim has received an offer of \$65,000 from Keyser Fire Department, Keyser, WV, to purchase the 1995 (811) Fire Truck. This sale was brokered through Brindlee Mountain Fire Apparatus, LLC. Upon a motion by Chairman Brunell, seconded by Secretary Rader, and unanimous, the fire truck may be sold to Keyser Fire Department for \$65,000.

DISCUSSIONS & UPDATES – None

REPORTS

Treasurer's Report – February – Total bills from all funds \$1,072,399.99

A motion was made by Chairman Brunell, seconded by VC Gill and unanimous to pay the bills.

Recreation Board Report – The Recreation Passport listing coming events is on the table for distribution. The Recreation Board has reorganized and elected the following officers: Chairman, David Kentner; Vice Chairperson, April Navarra; and, Secretary, Katie Shade.

Planning Commission Report – Chairman Brunell reported the following from the February Planning Commission meeting:

- Docket #1901 – Hidden Meadows – waiver requests for Phase 1B Final Land Development was tabled.
- Docket #2148 - National Freight, Inc. - Withdrawn
- Docket #2120 – Liberty at Mill Creek – Conditional Use Hearing is scheduled for March 9, 2015, at 7 PM
- Docket #2154 – Home Depot USA, Inc. – Parking Lot Expansion – Received conditional final approval for a minor subdivision with deferral of SALDO 2403 and conditional final approval for the land development plan based on review letters from Keystone Consulting engineers, Inc.

Upper Macungie Township Police Report – Chief Colón

574	Total Calls for Service
25	Reportable MVAs
45	Non-Reportable MVAs
11	Criminal Arrest (Misdemeanor/Felony)
11	Non-Traffic Citations (summary)
506	Traffic Citations
6	Parking Tickets
44	Written Warnings
90	False Alarms
1	Assaults
1	Burglaries
2	Disturbing the Peace Crimes
3	Drug/Alcohol Violations
5	DUI Offenses
2	Fraud Crimes
1	Motor Vehicle Thefts
4	Thefts
1	Vandalism/Criminal Mischief
3	Vehicle Break-in/Theft

Chief Colón reported that he received pledges/donations for the new K-9 police dog: Sam Adams Brewery \$14,000; Faust Towing \$1,000; and, Lehigh Valley Kennel Club \$1,500.

Fire/EMS Report – Chairman Brunell read report: Fire Inspections - 56. Emergency responses: Station 8-- 35; Station 25 – 29; Station 56 - 35; Total 99 responses for 65 incidents. EMS Responses were not available at the time of the meeting.

Public Works Report - Director Scott Faust – Copy of his report is on the back table. Resident Jeff Grim complemented the Township on the winter conditions of the roads.

Zoning Report – Copies of the report are available on the table in the rear of the room. Chairman Brunell also reported the upcoming Zoning Hearing Board Appeals.

During the month of February, 48 permits were issued, including:

Building Permits:

Commercial Permits:

Accessory:	1
Alterations:	6
Demo:	1
Electrical:	4
Fire Alarm:	1
Plumbing:	1
Sprinkler:	5

Residential Permits:

Alterations:	4
Basement Renovations:	8
Deck:	2
Demo:	1
Electrical:	1
Mechanical:	3
Plumbing:	4
Single Family Detached:	3

Zoning Permits:

Accessory:	1
Sign Permits:	2

Licenses:

Plumbing:	8
Electric:	7

February 2015 Zoning Hearing Board Meetings:

On **February 25th, 2015**, The Zoning Appeal of **Dale and Beverly Kochard., 5950 Daniel Street, Allentown, PA 18104; (Appeal # 02 15 002)** was heard for a variance from the requirements of the Upper Macungie Township Zoning Ordinance **Section § 27-307.B.1.f.1).** to permit construction of Accessory Structure within the required Front Yard Building Setback. The Applicant also requests that the Board recognize an existing barn located on the property with an attached garage as an existing non-conformity and that it be permitted to be replaced with a new nonconforming accessory structure on this existing 1.19 acre tract. Section § 27-403.D.12.b. states that, accessory buildings on a lot with a lot area of 2 acres or less in a residential district shall meet the following requirements:

- 1) Maximum total floor area of all accessory buildings: 1,000 square feet.
- 2) Maximum of 2 accessory buildings per lot.

The property is located along Daniel Street near the intersection of Wolf Drive and is situated in the R2 – Low Density Residential Zoning District.

The Zoning Hearing Board ruled to recognize the existing outbuildings as existing legal non-conformities and granted a variance to permit construction of an Accessory Structure within the required Front Yard Setback.

March 2015 Zoning Hearing Board Meetings:

On **March 11th, 2015** The Zoning Appeal of **National Freight, Inc., 7588 & 7652 Penn Drive, Allentown, PA 18106; (Appeal #03 15 003)** will be heard for a variance from the requirements of the Upper Macungie Township Zoning Ordinance **Section § 27-603.7.C.(3)** to permit construction of truck trailer parking spaces within the required Paved Area Setback. The properties are located along Penn Drive near the intersection of Star Road and are situated in the LI – Light Industrial Zoning District.

On **March 25th, 2015** The Zoning Appeal of **Nesma Karedis, 9645 Hamilton Blvd., Breinigsville, PA 18031; (Appeal #03 15 004)** will be heard for a variance from **Section §27-306, Table of Permitted Uses**, to permit a Beautician’s Shop as a Personal Services Use as a Home Occupation (General) within the RT – Research Technology Zoning District as an Accessory Use to the Principal Use of a Single Family Residential Dwelling. The property is located along Hamilton Blvd. approximately 0.25 miles west of the intersection of Schaffer Run Road.

March 2015 Conditional Use Hearings:

On **March 9th, 2015**, the Upper Macungie Township Planning Commission will conduct a public hearing on the proposed **Conditional Use of Upper Macungie Township Docket # 2120 – Liberty @ Mill Creek**. The purpose of this meeting is to receive testimony and comment from the Applicant – Liberty Property Trust - and the public related to a request for Conditional Use submitted by the Applicant to allow for proposed Warehouses on Lots #1 & #2. Proposed are; 1,000,000 square foot warehouse plus 70,000 square foot office on Lot #1, and a 1,107,132 square foot warehouse on Lot #2, which are located within a Light Industrial (LI) District. The property is commonly known as 700 & 800 Mill Creek Road, located West of Mill Creek Road, South of the Route 222 By-pass and North of Hamilton Boulevard. Said Public Hearing is conducted pursuant to Chapter 27, Section 118 (Section 27-118) of the Code of Ordinances of Upper Macungie Township.

Daren J. Martocci
Director of Planning, Zoning and Code Enforcement

Lehigh Tax Collection Committee Report – None

TOWNSHIP MANAGER’S REPORT – None

SUPERVISORS

Chairman BRUNELL – Nothing More
Vice Chairman GILL – Nothing More
Secretary RADER – Executive Session – March 4, 2015, at 4:00 PM – Personnel Issues

PUBLIC COMMENT –

--William Brunell requested that when giving the Treasurer’s Report that a breakdown of the different funds be given, instead of just the total sum.

Upon a motion by Chairman Brunell, seconded by VC Gill, and unanimous, the meeting is adjourned at 7:40 PM.


Kathy A. Rader, Secretary

