

UWCHLAN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
SEPTEMBER 10, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm. by Chairman Bill Miller and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present: Supervisors: Bill Miller, Mayme Baumann and Kim Doan; Assistant Township Manager Scott Greenly; Building Inspector/Zoning Officer Tom Cooke; Assistant Zoning Officer Tara Caputo; Township Secretary Katie Churchill; Township Treasurer Susan Bernhard; Fire Marshal Mike Holmes; Police Chief Scott Alexander and Lieutenant Maureen Doyle.

Mr. Miller mentioned that the Board of Supervisors had an executive session before the meeting regarding personnel items.

Minutes: Ms. Baumann made a motion to approve the minutes of August 20, 2018 and Dr. Doan seconded. Mr. Miller asked for public comment. There being none, the motion carried unanimously.

REPORTS:

Police: Chief Scott Alexander, reported that there were 241 traffic citations issued and 32 traffic accidents during the month of August.

Treasurer: Ms. Bernhard has submitted her report for the month of August. The following is a list of revenues and expenses:

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Revenues</u>	<u>Expenses</u>
General	\$1,487,300	\$862,210
State Liquid Fuel	369	0
Sewer	376,671	399,685

To date, the Township has collected approximately 74% of its budgeted revenues and spent about 66% of its budgeted expenditures.

Public Works: Mr. Greenly reported that for the month of August the Public Works Department changed the profile on four catch basins on Woodland Drive in the area between the Aqua water tower and Northwood Drive; milled and blacktopped areas on Woodland Drive between Rosetree Drive and Peck Road; reconstructed the curve on Dowlin Forge in the area near the Mary Ann Forge ruins; had line painters in for road markings; cleaned up debris and opened culverts before and after rain storms; videoed storm pipes with suspected problems on Welsh Ayres Way, Bassett, Williamsburg Blvd, Brainered, Cobleskill, Pony, Devon and Concord; hauled blacktop for East Goshen in return for their help here; set forms and poured a concrete base for the monument at the memorial wall.

He also reported that for the month of August the daily average flow to Downingtown was

approximately 1.64 million gpd and there was 1 new sewer connection to DARA and no new connections at the Eagleview Plant.

The Township has received 10.18 inches of rain for August with a year-to-date surplus of 23.78.

Fire Marshal: Mr. Holmes reported that during the month of August he responded to 15 fire calls during regular work hours; spent 20 hours of work time handling Fire Department activity; performed 1 fire investigation; and reviewed plans for commercial buildings and inspected those under construction.

Lionville Fire Co.: Mr. Holmes reported that the Fire Company had 50 incidents in August, with 26 incidents in Uwchlan Township.

Uwchlan Ambulance: Mr. Baxter reported that the Uwchlan Ambulance Corps responded to 336 calls during the month of August, 122 of which were in Uwchlan Township.

Ms. Baumann made a motion to accept the Reports as presented and Dr. Doan seconded. Mr. Miller asked for public comment. There being none, the motion was carried unanimously.

BUSINESS:

Fred's First Responders 5K: Mrs. Gaines promoted the 5k that will take place on Saturday, October 20th in Eagleview. The race will now feature 1st dog and 1st baby stroller over the finish line. Forms for the race will be available at the Township Building. All proceeds will go to the first responders of Uwchlan Township.

Downingtown Library Presentation: Elizabeth Hess, the director of the Downingtown library, presented to the Board on what the Downingtown library offers and what resources the library has available for Uwchlan Residents. Marcy Hessinger, board member of the Downingtown Library, reported that since the move to the libraries Wallace Avenue location, demand has increased by 34%. Patrons are asking for longer hours and more resources. It was presented that Uwchlan Township residents make up 25% of those using the library. Since the library cannot operate without donations, the library is asking for an increase of \$3.00 per person in donation. The Supervisors thanked them for coming and speaking and said they will look at the presented information as the Township prepares the budget.

Request – Downingtown East Bonfire: Mr. Holmes reported each year, Downingtown East Highschool holds an annual bonfire, which the Fire department both builds and extinguishes. The date of October 10th works for the Fire Department. The Supervisors agreed to the request.

Request – Highway Materials – Noise Ordinance Variance: Mr. Cooke reported that Highway Materials was awarded a milling and paving contract issued by the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation, which consists of the milling and paving of Route 113, with a portion of the work located in Uwchlan Township. Highway Materials is requesting to perform milling and paving operations during the hours of 7:00pm – 5:00am. Other work associated with the contract would be performed during the daytime hours of 9:00am- 3:00pm. Mr. Cooke stated

that the Township has allowed this type of work in the past because there is less traffic during these hours and to perform this work during the day poses a safety hazard.

Mrs. Baumann made a motion to approve the request for Highway Materials to mill and pave during the hours of 7:00pm and 5:00am. Dr. Doan seconded. Mr. Miller asked for public comment. There being none, the motion carried unanimously.

Recycling Update: Mrs. Churchill informed the Board that the Township recycling contract is set to expire at the end of the month. Nancy Fromnick, the Chester County Recycling Coordinator had stated that there is an upcoming sunshine meeting of the Chester County Commissioners on Wednesday to go over the bids. Staff requested that when the Township has all the information from the County, that the Board grant staff permission to execute the contract that would be in the community's best interest. The Board agreed to have the Township execute the contract that would be in the best interest of the community.

Comprehensive Plan Update: Mrs. Baumann reported that the 2020 Comprehensive Plan update had started. The purpose of the Comprehensive Plan is to serve as a long-term vision to guide the everyday decisions made for planning in the community. The last update to the Comprehensive Plan was adopted in 2010. The Township has received \$36,000 in grant funding from Chester County and has hired a planning consultant, Robert Smiley, to assist with the plan. Ms. Baumann stated that the Comprehensive Plan Committee meetings are the third Thursdays of the month, at 3pm, here at the Township building and are open to the public. Ms. Bauman stated that if residents are interested in participating, but cannot come to the meetings, the Township will be sending out an online survey. The more people that participate, the more we can set goals for the community.

Mr. Miller asked if there were any questions.

Diane Griffin – 134 Crump Road – Asked how the public will know the survey went out.

Mr. Greenly replied that it would be posted on our website, social media and paper copies will be available at the Township building.

Mrs. Baumann suggested she could go on the website and sign up for email notifications. It will also be announced at future Township meetings.

Snow Removal Bid: Mr. Greenly said there were no bids received and asked permission to re-advertise.

The Board granted permission to re-advertise the bid.

Salt / Garage Building Bid: The lowest responsible bid received was from Balton Construction. The bid for General Contracting was \$338,683.00. There was an alternate price for an additional \$1,750.00, to be added if the concrete has not cured properly before winter and they need to come back in the spring to finish the exterior painting.

Mrs. Baumann made a motion to approve the bid from Balton Construction. Dr. Doan seconded. Mr. Miller asked for public comment. There being none, the motion carried unanimously.

Resolution #2018-14 – Minimum Municipal Obligations for 2019: Ms. Bernhard stated this resolution is required each year. For the coming year the minimum municipal obligation for the Police Pension plan is \$427,333.00 and for the non-uniform it is \$208,500.00.

Mrs. Baumann made a motion to approve Resolution #2018-14 Minimum Municipal Obligations

for 2019 and Dr. Doan seconded. Mr. Miller asked for public comment. There being none, the motion was carried unanimously.

Uwchlan Hills Elementary – Conditional Use Decision: Mrs. Giordano reported that last month was the Conditional Use Hearing for Uwchlan Hills to construct a new elementary school. A decision and order was drafted with 15 conditions. Mrs. Giordano read some of the conditions which included, widening of Peck Road be completed prior to occupancy of the new school; the southern half of the parking lot shall be completed; no back to school night or events at the school until the entire parking lot is constructed; contractor parking at offsite location. Mrs. Giordano said Dr. Doan cannot vote in this decision as she recused herself from the hearing. *Mrs. Baumann made a motion to approve the Conditional Use Decision. Mr. Miller seconded. Mr. Miller asked for public comment. There being none, the motion carried unanimously.*

Uwchlan Hills Elementary School – Request to Proceed with Preliminary/Final Land Development Plan: Mrs. Giordano reported that based on the Conditional Use approval, Uwchlan Hills presented at the Planning Commission last week and have been in multiple times with a sketch plan. The applicant is now looking to proceed with the Preliminary/ Final and plan submission.

Mrs. Baumann made a motion to approve the request for Uwchlan Hills Elementary to proceed with Preliminary/ Final Development and formally accept their plan submission. Mr. Miller seconded. Mr. Miller asked for public comment. There being none, the motion carried unanimously.

101 Gordon Drive: Mrs. Giordano said she was in receipt of a letter from Riley Riper with a request to construct a 183,717 square foot office site at 101 Gordon Drive. This is a request to advertise a Conditional Use Hearing on October 9th .

Mrs. Baumann made a motion to approve advertising for the Conditional Use Hearing for 101 Gordon Drive. Dr. Doan seconded. Mr. Miller asked for public comment. There being none, the motion carried unanimously.

Sunoco Update: Mr. Miller said there was a quantitative risk assessment presented at Fugett Middle School. All three supervisors and some Township staff attended. He also said he sent a letter to the PUC with questions related to the risk assessment. This has been posted to our website under the pipeline section.

Lindsay Lebresco – 103 S. Lynwood Drive – Any of the questions related to tolerability? Was it specific to the high consequence area?

Mr. Miller said it was specific to the three areas analyzed in the risk assessment.

Mike Taylor – 462 Creekside Drive – Mr. Taylor wanted to express how deeply disturbed he is about the outcome of the risk assessment. He was under the understanding it was going to be used for first responders and asked if more information was forthcoming. Mr. Taylor asked the solicitor if the \$5,000.00 donation to this assessment is a violation of our ordinance? Mr. Taylor said he believes there is an ordinance that the maximum donation is \$1,000.00.

Mr. Freed said not that he was aware of and he will look into a maximum donation amount. He asked Mr. Taylor if he had a copy of such an ordinance. Mr. Taylor did not but said he

remembers from the previous Board there was one. Mr. Miller said he will reserve judgment until he sees the final report. Mr. Miller agreed he was looking for more information in the assessment but he said there was some value in it. Dr. Doan said there is value from it and we can compare it to incidents like car accidents and that many residents asked for this assessment and there were public meetings held to look at the whole picture.

Lindsay Lebresco – 103 S. Lynwood Drive – Voluntary risk is I decide to drive a car where this is a risk that is forced upon you.

Margaret Warihay - 211 Baumann Circle – A resident asked about a summary on the pipeline construction in Marchwood.

Mr. Daley said construction is on hold in Uwchlan Township. Sunoco is concentrating on the 12-inch re-purposed line. The only pipe in the ground is on Eagleview Boulevard. Easement agreements that were signed are for a 3-year period.

Diane Griffin – 134 Crump Road - Ms. Griffin asked if there is a hole with no pipe in Marchwood? Ms. Griffin also reported that the weeds in the easement are 2-feet tall. Mr. Daley said that will be where the pipe gets pulled through. He will be making the call to Sunoco about the weeds to get crews out there.

Lindsay Lebresco – 103 S. Lynwood Drive – Ms. LeBresco asked the Board for an update on the 12-inch line and questioned when the new product will be going through the pipe and when the Township will get a letter from Sunoco.

Mr. Daley said Sunoco told him by the end of the 3rd quarter which will be the end of September. Sunoco was going to send out a letter of notification to those 1,000 feet from the pipeline. The Township has sent out a letter to those within 1,500 feet of the pipeline.

Lindsay Lebresco – 103 S. Lynwood Drive – Asked if any feedback was received about the transition. Sunoco called saying there was an emergency situation where the line was pinging and they were going to have to dig. PECO and Aqua came out to mark the lines and then everything was fine.

Mr. Daley said he was not aware of that. All he heard from Sunoco that they were doing hydraulic testing of the line.

Diane Griffin – 134 Crump Road - Ms. Griffin asked if the results of the hydraulic testing were made public.

Mr. Daley said no.

Carrie Gross – 207 Crump Road – Ms. Gross stated that Sunoco is claiming they are 99% complete with this project. It doesn't seem like this area is even close to be completed and they have not pulled back in Morgantown.

Laura Obenski – 14 South Village Ave – Ms. Obenski spoke of the event that happened in Beaver County and thanked the Board for following up with legislators and asked that they continue to do so.

Mr. Daley said as of now there are limited details coming out of Beaver County. The investigation is ongoing. There was detection equipment that noted loss of pressure and shut

down. The natural gas burned off in a 2-hour period.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. 09/13 - Historical Commission – 7:30 pm. - Cadwalader House
2. 09/19 – Environmental Advisory Council – 7:00 pm.
3. 10/03 - Planning Commission – 7:30 pm.
4. 10/09 - Board of Supervisors – 7:30 pm.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC FOR QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS

Mike Taylor – 462 Creekside Drive – Mr. Taylor asked about the recycling as he thought it was January – January. Did something happen?

Mrs. Churchill explained that Uwchlan, along with 11 other municipalities are in a contract with the County on where the hauler takes our recycling. Nothing is changing with the hauler, just where the hauler disposes of it.

Steven Swymer – Reber Circle – Mr. Swymer thanked the supervisors for the response last month regarding the traffic. He urged the Board to please keep this issue on their list and that he felt speed bumps are the only way to stop the issue. Speed bumps are wider and flatter and will be easier for first responders. The hundreds that cut through our neighborhoods will be deterred by the speed bumps. Every township that surrounds us uses them. The volume is so much more that residents on Reber have trouble getting out of the street. He urged the board to consider using speed bumps.

There being no other business, Dr. Doan made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:38 pm, Mrs. Baumann seconded and the motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,
Katie Churchill
Township Secretary