

**UWCHLAN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**  
**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING**  
**January 17, 2023**

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Chairperson Mayme Baumann.

**Present:** Supervisors: Mayme Baumann, Laura Obenski and Bill Miller; Township Manager Scott Greenly; Assistant Township Manager Katie Churchill; Building & Zoning Official Tara Giordano; Lieutenant Maureen Evans; and Township Solicitor Mark Freed.

**Minutes:**

*Mrs. Obenski made a motion to approve the minutes of December 11, 2022 and January 3, 2023 meeting and Mr. Miller seconded. Mrs. Baumann asked for public comment, there being none, the motion was carried unanimously.*

**Reports:**

**Police:** Lieutenant Evans reported that for the month of December 1,002 entries were documented into the call reporting system. The department issued 62 traffic citations, 21 written warnings, 43 traffic accidents, and made 16 arrests. Eight motor vehicle carrier details were conducted with 878 commercial vehicles weighed. Of those, one was overweight. Year to date there have been 12,387 calls for service, 170 arrests, 1,189 traffic citations, 395 motor vehicle accidents.

**Treasurer:** No report.

**Public Works:** Mr. Greenly reported that for the month of December the daily average flow was 1.5 million gallons per day. There was no new connection to the DARA treatment plant and no new connections to the Eagleview treatment plant. The Township has received 4.33 inches of rain during the month of December. Normal for December is 3.60 inches. The year-to-date rain fall in Uwchlan Township is 45.9 inches.

The Public Works Department for the month of December has completed storm water management work on Basset Drive, Spring Run Lane, and Brainered Place. Also, pothole repairs were done on Woodland Drive and Pennypacker Road. The department removed a down tree on Harshaw Drive and on Marsh Creek Drive; salted roads on December 15<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup>; cut ice build up on road way from a water overflow on Phillips Road. The department also preformed state inspections of trucks and trailers as well as regular maintenance and service of equipment as necessary.

Mr. Greenly added that the website redesign launched today.

**Fire Marshal:** Ms. Giordano reported during the month of December the Building Department issued 81 permits for construction projects, had 94 inspections, had 29 fire code inspections, and issued 37 use and occupancy certificates. There were 24 incidents during working hours and 2 burning complaints investigated.

Lionville Fire Company: Ms. Giordano reported that the Fire Company responded to 66 alarms during the month of December. Of those, 43 were in Uwchlan Township, 4 in Upper Uwchlan, 8 in West Pikeland and 11 in other Townships. Year to date there have been 643 fire responses.

Uwchlan Ambulance Corps: Ms. Giordano reported that for the month of December Uwchlan Ambulance had 451 calls, 145 of those were in Uwchlan Township.

*Mrs. Obenski made a motion to approve the reports as given and Mr. Miller seconded. Mrs. Baumann asked for public comment. There being none, the motion was carried unanimously.*

**BUSINESS:**

**1. Devon Drive Traffic Update**

Mr. Greenly explained that the Downingtown School District was at the planning commission the beginning of January and will be coming before the Board of Supervisors.

Mr. Swymer addresses the Board saying that Downingtown School District has said crosswalks are not needed and this needs to be addresses as it is dangerous. He asked that the Board looks at this carefully.

*No motion required*

**2. Resolution #2023-03**

Mr. Greenly explained this resolution outlines the methods and agencies chosen to fulfill the public safety need of the Township for the efficient administration of the emergency communications system of the Chester County Department of Emergency Services. The contact person between said organization and the Chester County Department of Emergency Services shall be:

Fire Marshal	-	Michael Holmes
Fire & Rescue Services-		Michael Esterlis
Ambulance Service	-	Wes Weber
Air Ambulance Service	-	Penn Star
Police Services	-	Scott Alexander
Emergency Management	-	Michael Holmes

*Mrs. Obenski made a motion to approve resolution #2023-03t and Mr. Miller seconded. Mrs. Baumann asked for public comment. There being none, the motion was carried unanimously.*

**3. Resolution #2023-04**

Mr. Greenly said this resolution designates the Township Treasurer and the Manager of Uwchlan Township to be the chief administrative officers for the purpose of conducting daily business of the police and the non-uniform pension funds.

*Mrs. Obenski made a motion to approve resolution #2023-04 and Mr. Miller seconded. Mrs. Baumann asked for public comment. There being no other comments, the motion was carried unanimously.*

**4. Resolution #2023-05**

Mr. Greenly stated this resolution establishes a rate of 65.5 cents per mile for the reimbursement to its employees and officials for use of their personal vehicle while on Township business.

*Mrs. Obenski made a motion to approve resolution #2023-05 and Mr. Miller seconded. Mrs. Baumann asked for public comment. There being no other comments, the motion was carried unanimously.*

**5. Stormwater Ordinance #2023-01**

This ordinance was recorded by the court reporter.

*Mrs. Obenski made a motion to approve the stormwater ordinance #2023-01 and Mr. Miller seconded. Mrs. Baumann asked for public comment. There being none, the motion was carried unanimously.*

**6. Downingtown High School East – 50 Devon Dr. – Preliminary/Final Land Development Plan – Extension Request**

Mrs. Giordano indicated that this was in front of the Planning Commission in January and received a recommendation. At this time, the plan is being cleaned up before it is presented to the Board. Mrs. Giordano received a letter from Justin Brewer of DL Howell on behalf of the Applicant for an extension until February 28, 2023 for the Board to render a decision on the proposed land development plan.

*Mrs. Obenski made a motion to grant the extension request until February 28, 2023. Mr. Miller seconded. Mrs. Baumann asked for public comment.*

Mr. Swymer commented saying that he has reached out to Downingtown School District asking them why this building is needed and has not gotten a reply. He also stated the lack of parking, only one entrance and exit, which makes kids late for school. He asked the Board to review this carefully because he feels that the district is spending money on a plan that is not successful. He also asked if the Board could require another entrance.

Mr. Freed responded about another entrance saying it depends on the code and demand. Mr. Miller also added that the school board has control of the spending and encouraged Mr. Swymer to reach out to his school board representative.

*There being no other comments, the motion was carried unanimously and the motion carried.*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** *All meetings will be at the Township building unless otherwise noted*

1. 01/19 – Environmental Advisory Council Reorganization & Meeting – 7:00 pm
2. 01/20 – Industrial Development Authority Reorganization & Meeting – 9:00 am
3. 01/23 – Park & recreation Committee Reorganization & Meeting – 7:30 pm
4. 02/01 – Planning Commission Meeting – 7:30 pm
5. 02/09 – Historical Commission Meeting – 7:30 pm – Cadwalader House
6. 02/13 - Board of Supervisors Reorganizational Meeting – 7:30 pm

**PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS:**

Toni Gorkin -119 Llandoverly Drive – shared about an event that happened while she was at Longwood Gardens. Someone had a cardiac event and she wanted to let everyone know that the Uwchlan Ambulance has free CPR training scheduled for February 7<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>.

*There being no other business Mrs. Obenski made a motion to adjourn at 8:02 p.m., Mr. Miller seconded and the motion was carried.*

Respectfully submitted,

Kate Churchill