

MINUTES

Upper Saucon Township Board of Supervisors
Regular Meeting
Monday, July 10, 2017 – 6:30 P.M.
Township Municipal Building

Members Present: Stephen Wagner, Chairman
Patrick M. Leonard, Vice Chairman
Brian J. Farrell
Philip W. Spaeth

Members Absent: Dennis E. Benner

Staff Attending: Thomas F. Beil, Township Manager
Robert E. Kassel, Jr., Assistant Township Manager
Thomas Dinkelacker, Township Solicitor
Charles Unangst, P.E., Township Engineer
Karl Schreiter, Township Sewer Engineer

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Wagner called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m., in the Public Meeting Room of the Upper Saucon Township Municipal Building, 5500 Camp Meeting Road, Upper Saucon Township, Lehigh County, PA.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Wagner asked all in attendance to stand and recite the “Pledge of Allegiance.”

NOTIFICATION

Mr. Wagner announced that all public sessions of the Upper Saucon Township Board of Supervisors are electronically recorded. The recordings are maintained as part of the record of the meeting until the minutes are transcribed and approved by the Board.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Doris Clegg, 4137 Bunker Hill Drive – Ms. Clegg suggested the Township go back to publishing a newsletter two or three times a year and mailing it to all residents. She said the newsletter could be an important communication tool to keep residents informed.

A brief discussion ensued as to whether print-based media or digital media is the most effective way to keep residents informed.

Mr. Wagner thanked Ms. Clegg for her comments and said the Board will take her comments under consideration.

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Wagner made the following public announcements:

- The Environmental Advisory Council will host a Backyard Natural Habitat Workshop entitled “Pennsylvania’s Most Unwanted - Invasives” on Monday, July 24 at 7:00 p.m. at the Southern Lehigh Public Library.
- The Summer Concert series continues at the Township Community Park with two more concerts:
 - July 13 at 7:00 p.m. - Kia Kaysen with Out of the Orchard (rain date July 20)
 - July 27 at 7:00 p.m. - Stealing Second Base (rain date August 3)

SUBDIVISIONS & LAND DEVELOPMENTS

None

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Regular Meeting of May 8, 2017

Motion made by Mr. Leonard and seconded by Mr. Spaeth to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of May 8, 2017.

The motion was approved by a vote of 4 to 0.

ORDINANCES

None

RESOLUTIONS

None

MOTIONS

Agreement to Sell Additional Sewer Capacity to Coopersburg Borough

Motion made by Mr. Leonard and seconded by Mr. Spaeth to approve the EDU Purchase Agreement II with Coopersburg Borough allowing the Borough to purchase additional sewer capacity from the Township in order to accommodate future development in the Borough.

Mr. Beil summarized the Agreement.

Mr. Schreiter said he had no problem with the Township selling additional sewer capacity to the Borough.

Mr. Schreiter responded to questions from Board members.

The motion was approved by a vote of 4 to 0.

Designate Date and Time For Upper Saucon Township Trick Or Treat

Motion made by Mr. Farrell and seconded by Mr. Spaeth to designate Friday, October 27, 2017 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. as Upper Saucon Township Trick or Treat with a rain date of Saturday, October 28, 2017 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

The motion was approved by a vote of 4 to 0.

CORRESPONDENCE & INFORMATION ITEMS

None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

None

DIRECTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

New State law giving municipalities the option of offering a real estate or earned income tax credit to volunteer firefighters

It was the consensus of the Board to refer this matter to the Administration and Finance Committee.

Proposal from Entertainment Services Group to upgrade audio-visual system in public meeting room

Mike Piltz of Entertainment Services Group reviewed his company's proposal to upgrade the audio-visual system in the public meeting room. Mr. Piltz responded to numerous questions from staff and Board members. The Board will be reviewing another proposal to upgrade the audio-visual system at its meeting on July 24, 2017.

BILLS, PAYROLL, AND COMMISSIONS

Motion made by Mr. Leonard and seconded by Mr. Spaeth to authorize payment of the Prepaid Invoice List and Warrant List #07102017 dated 07/07/2017.

The motion was approved by a vote of 4 to 0.

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

None

COURTESY OF THE FLOOR

None

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At approximately 7:29 p.m. the Board met in executive session to discuss a personnel matter.

The Board returned from executive session at approximately 7:50 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Mr. Farrell and seconded by Mr. Spaeth to adjourn the meeting.

The motion was approved by a vote of 4 to 0.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:51 p.m.

Secretary

