MINUTES

Upper Saucon Township Board of Supervisors
Regular Meeting
Monday, February 14, 2022 – 6:30 P.M.
Township Municipal Building

Members Present: Brian J. Farrell, Chairman

Philip W. Spaeth, Vice Chairman

John G. Inglis, III Dennis Benner

Members Participating

Via Speakerphone: Stephen Wagner

Staff Attending: Thomas F. Beil, Township Manager

Joseph Geib, Assistant Township Manager Thomas Dinkelacker, Township Solicitor Charles Unangst, P.E., Township Engineer

Patricia Lang, Director of Community Development

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Farrell called the meeting to order at 6:31 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

Chairman Farrell asked all in attendance to stand and recite the "Pledge of Allegiance."

NOTIFICATION

Chairman Farrell 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

None

PRESENTATION BY PAUL KAMOR OF PNC BANK – INVESTMENT REVIEW OF TOWNSHIP PENSION PLANS

Paul Kamor of PNC Bank, the Township's pension custodian, reviewed the performance of the Township's pension plans for the year 2021.

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None

ORDINANCES

<u>Proposed Ordinance No. 175 – Prohibiting Trucks on East Valley Road</u>
Motion made by Mr. Inglis and seconded by Mr. Benner to adopt proposed Ordinance No. 175 prohibiting trucks on East Valley Road.

Chairman Farrell invited the public to comment on the proposed Ordinance.

Randy Bloch, 1645 Woodbridge Lane, spoke in support of prohibiting trucks on East Valley Road. He presented photos showing how trucks are negatively affecting East Valley Road. He also mentioned vehicles are speeding on East Valley Road.

The motion was approved by a vote of 5 to 0.

<u>Proposed Ordinance No. 176 – Prohibiting Trucks on a Segment of West Hopewell Road</u> between Route 309 and Lanark Road

Motion made by Mr. Spaeth and seconded by Mr. Benner to adopt proposed Ordinance No. 176 prohibiting trucks on a segment of West Hopewell Road running between Route 309 and Lanark Road.

Chairman Farrell asked if anyone from the public wished to comment on the proposed Ordinance. There was no response.

The motion was approved by a vote of 5 to 0.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 2022-08 – Recognition of Noah Bamberger for Attaining the Rank of Eagle Scout

Motion made by Mr. Inglis and seconded by Mr. Benner to adopt Resolution No. 2022-08 recognizing Noah Bamberger for the tremendous honor he has brought his family, Boy Scout Troop and community by attaining the rank of Eagle Scout.

Chairman Farrell invited Noah Bamberger to step forward and describe his Eagle Scout project. Noah Bamberger explained his Eagle Scout project involved installing a new wired

microphone system and implementing a training program for members of the Worship Recording Team at St. John United Church of Christ in Coopersburg.

The motion was approved by a vote of 5 to 0.

Chairman Farrell congratulated Noah Bamberger on his scouting accomplishments and presented him with a framed copy of Resolution No. 2022-08 signed by all the Board members.

Resolution No. 2022-09 – Traffic Signal Maintenance Agreement with PennDOT Motion made by Mr. Spaeth and seconded by Mr. Benner to adopt Resolution No. 2022-09 approving the Traffic Signal Maintenance Agreement with the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT), authorizing the Township Manager to execute said Agreement on behalf of the Township and authorizing the Township Manager to execute any future traffic signal applications requiring PennDOT approval.

The motion was approved by a vote of 5 to 0.

MOTIONS

Release of Funds – Estates at Saucon Valley Subdivision – Release Request 3 (Sanitary Sewer Improvements)

Motion made by Mr. Inglis and seconded by Mr. Benner to authorize the release of construction security in the amount of \$148,074.36 for the Estates at Saucon Valley Subdivision in accordance with the Township Engineer's recommendation made by letter dated January 12, 2022.

The motion was approved by a vote of 5 to 0.

Request for Payment – Pavilion at Hopewell Park – Certification No. 4 (Final) Motion made by Mr. Benner and seconded by Mr. Inglis to authorize final payment in the amount of \$16,532.38 to Irish Creek Enterprises for work completed on the new pavilion at Hopewell Park.

The motion was approved by a vote of 5 to 0.

Request for Payment – Hopewell Park Landscaping – Certification No. 3 (Final) Motion made by Mr. Inglis and seconded by Mr. Benner to authorize final payment in the amount of \$6,704.00 to All Seasons Landscaping Company for work completed on the Hopewell Park Landscaping Project.

The motion was approved by a vote of 5 to 0.

Release of Funds – Old Saucon Subdivision, Phase 2 – Security Release Request 1 Motion made by Mr. Inglis and seconded by Mr. Benner to authorize the release of construction security in the amount of \$1,231,318.00 for Phase 2 of the Old Saucon

Subdivision in accordance with the Township Engineer's recommendation made by letter dated February 8, 2022.

The motion was approved by a vote of 5 to 0.

Release of Funds – Estates at Saucon Valley Subdivision – Security Release Request 4 Motion made by Mr. Benner and seconded by Mr. Inglis to authorize the release of construction security in the amount of \$939,869.26 for the Estates at Saucon Valley Subdivision in accordance with the Township Engineer's recommendation made by letter dated February 8, 2022.

The motion was approved by a vote of 5 to 0.

Request for Payment – Route 309 and Lanark Road Intersection Improvements Project – Certification No. 6

Motion made by Mr. Inglis and seconded by Mr. Benner to authorize payment in the amount of \$156,082.85 to Blooming Glen Contractors for work completed on the Route 309 and Lanark Road Intersection Improvements Project.

The motion was approved by a vote of 5 to 0.

Request for Payment – Route 309 and Lanark Road Intersection Improvements Project – Certification No. 7

Motion made by Mr. Inglis and seconded by Mr. Benner to authorize payment in the amount of \$265,752.28 to Blooming Glen Contractors for work completed on the Route 309 and Lanark Road Intersection Improvements Project.

The motion was approved by a vote of 5 to 0.

CORRESPONDENCE & INFORMATION ITEMS

None

DIRECTION / DISCUSSION ITEMS

Cancellation of Board of Supervisors meeting scheduled for February 28, 2022 due to lack of agenda items

It was the consensus of the Board to cancel the meeting originally scheduled for February 28, 2022.

BILLS, PAYROLL, AND COMMISSIONS

Motion made by Mr. Inglis and seconded by Mr. Spaeth to authorize payment of Prepaid Invoice List Dated February 11, 2022 for Check Issue Dates: 1/4 /2022 – 2/14/2022 and Warrant Detail Invoice List dated February 11, 2022 for Report Date: 2/14/2022.

The motion was approved by a vote of 5 to 0.

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

None

COURTESY OF THE FLOOR

None

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At approximately 6:58 p.m., the Board met in Executive Session to consult with the Township Solicitor regarding information or strategy in connection with litigation filed by Kay Lehigh, LLC.

At approximately 8:48 p.m., the Board returned from Executive Session.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Mr. Benner and seconded by Mr. Inglis to adjourn the meeting.

The motion was approved by a vote of 5 to 0.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:49 p.m.

Secretary