The December meeting of the Upper Salford Board of Supervisors was brought to order by Chairman O'Donnell at 7:30 p.m. Messrs. Poatsy and Sacks were present, as well as the Township Solicitor, Stephen P. Imms, Jr.

The Board of Supervisors shared several **public announcements**:

- The Board of Supervisors has been meeting with representatives from the EPA and Schwenksville Water Authority to discuss Baghurst remediation efforts. Last month's meeting was held on November 11, 2019. The next meeting is scheduled for December 16, 2019.
- The 2020 Census will be taking place on April 1, 2020. Information can be found on their website.
- Upper Salford Volunteer Fire Company will be having their Santa Run on Saturday, December 21, 2019.
- Upper Salford Township Tree Lighting was held this past Sunday, December 8<sup>th</sup> in the Upper Salford Park. Compliments were made to Marty Lynch and the Road Crew, Lou Ann Pullen, and the volunteers who helped with the event.
- The Perkiomen Valley Library will be closed from December 9, 2019 to January 1, 2020 for structural renovations taking place.
- Per information received from our State Representative, the traffic light at Barndt Road and Route 63 is scheduled to be put on flash on Friday, December 13<sup>th</sup> for at least 7 working days, due to PennDOT regulations. If everything is in proper working order, it will then be taken off flash and put into operation.
- The traffic light at Shelly Square was on flash for a couple of days. The technician found that mice had chewed through wires in the control panel. The wires were repaired, and material was placed in the box to deter the mice.

The following reports were presented for the month of November 2019: State Police, Upper Salford Volunteer Fire Company, Special Fire Police, Plymouth Community Ambulance Assoc., Harleysville Area EMS, Planning Commission, Zoning Officer, Building Inspector, Road Superintendent, Solicitor, and Indian Valley Regional Planning Commission.

**On a motion** made by Mr. Sacks and seconded by Mr. Poatsy, the Board of Supervisors unanimously authorized the **2019 Per Capita Exonerations** for thirteen (13) Upper Salford residents.

**On a motion** made by Mr. Poatsy and seconded by Mr. Sacks, the Board of Supervisors unanimously authorized the advertisement of the **2020 meeting dates** for the Board of Supervisors, which would be the second Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m., with the exception of the January meeting, which will be held on Monday, January 6, 2020,

at 7:30 p.m.; the Planning Commission, which would be held on the third Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m.; the Joint Board, which would be held on the first Tuesday of every month, at 7:30 p.m. except for November 3<sup>rd</sup>, which is the Presidential Election, the Park Board, which would be on the fourth Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m., except December; the Historical Society, which would be the fourth Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m., except for the May meeting which will be held May 18<sup>th</sup>; and the Indian Valley Regional Planning Commission, which would be held January 28, March 24, May 26, July 28, September 22, and November 24 at 7:00 p.m. All meetings will be held at the Township Office, except for the Indian Valley Regional Planning Commission meetings, which are held at the Franconia Township Municipal Building.

On a motion made by Mr. Sacks and seconded by Mr. O'Donnell, the Board of Supervisors unanimously approved, the **Upper Salford Volunteer Fire Company and** Special Fire Police's participation in the following 2020 non-emergency events and fundraisers: Red, White and Blue 4th of July Parade, Easter Egg Hunt, Penny Auctions, Chicken Barbeques, Pork Barbeque Drive-Throughs, Fire Prevention week, which includes an open house at the Fire Hall and numerous visits to local schools and day care facilities, Santa Claus Run, Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony, Ladies Auxiliary banquets and picnics, Fire Company picnic, Fire Police Details, Philadelphia Folk Festival, Car Washes, Blood Drives, Landis Bagging Night, Bake Sales (Election Day), Church of the Holy Spirit Community Day, Univest Family Fun Day, Old Goshenhoppen Oyster Picnic, WMGK Fundraiser, Pink Day and Veteran's Event at Daniel's Lawn and Garden Center, Christmas Event at Daniel's Lawn and Garden Center, Tabor Church Community Day, Schwenksville Halloween Parade, Upper Perkiomen Halloween Parade, all Harleysville Parades, Harleysville Country Fair Days, Tylersport Haunted Hay Ride, Schwenksville Community Day, Trappe Memorial Day Parade, Memorial Day Parade-rotating schedule, Limerick Township Fireworks, and Schwenksville Food Pantry Fundraiser. These events are approved contingent upon no alcohol being consumed by the volunteers at the events.

**On a motion made** by Mr. Poatsy and seconded by Mr. Sacks, the discussion on the **Bridge Purchase from Co-Stars** will be tabled to a later date.

**On a motion** made by Mr. Poatsy and seconded by Mr. Sacks, the Board of Supervisors unanimously approved the **2020 Municipal Financial Budget** as amended. No tax increase was proposed.

**On a motion** made by Mr. Poatsy and seconded by Mr. Sacks, the Board of Supervisors unanimously approved the bills for the month of December in the amount of \$107,067.88 for payment.

The receipts for the month of December totaled \$100,966.69.

The Treasurer's report as of December 10, 2019 noted the following amounts: total assets, \$8,537,385.36; total liabilities, \$686,916.06; total equity, \$7,850,469.30. Total liabilities and equity equal \$8,537,385.36.

**On a motion** made by Mr. Sacks and seconded by Mr. Poatsy, the Board of Supervisors unanimously approved the minutes of the November 12, 2019 Board of Supervisors meeting.

## **Public Comments:**

- Ryan Beltz, Perkiomen Watershed Conservancy, shared with the Board some MS4 programs that can help municipalities complete their MS4 requirements. One specific program was the tree planting program in which he spoke on. The Watershed will also be able to assist in planting trees along the Park to Perkiomen Trail Connector.
- Solicitor Imms spoke on the Zoning Hearing application for a Variance from Mr. and Mrs. Chris Detweiler. He then turned it over to Attorney Oliver Gingrich, along with his client, Chris Detweiler, who appeared before the Board to answer any questions the Board may have regarding the lot situated at Hendricks Station Road and Old Skippack Road.

**On a motion** made by Mr. Sacks and seconded by Mr. Poatsy, the meeting adjourned at 8:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Amy B. Shafer Secretary