

December 8, 2020  
Upper Salford, Pennsylvania

The December meeting of the Upper Salford Board of Supervisors was brought to order by Chairman Poatsy at 7:30 p.m. Messrs. O'Donnell 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. The last meeting was held on December 7, 2020.
- The Christmas Tree Lighting was held on Sunday, December 6, 2020 at 7:30pm at the Upper Salford Park.
- Upper Salford Volunteer Fire Company will be having their Santa Run on Saturday, December 19, 2020.

The following reports were presented for the month of November 2020: State Police, Upper Salford Volunteer Fire Company, Plymouth Community Ambulance Association, Harleysville Area EMS, Planning Commission, Zoning Officer, Building Inspector, Road Superintendent, Solicitor, Residential Pumping Receipt Update, and Indian Valley Regional Planning Commission.

**Public Comments:**

- *After the Plymouth Community Ambulance Association report, Mr. O'Donnell publicly thanked the fire chief for forwarding information that was received from the members of Plymouth Community Ambulance for bringing a property issue to their attention.*

**On a motion** made by Mr. Poatsy and seconded by Mr. Sacks, the Board of Supervisors unanimously authorized the **2020 Per Capita Exonerations** for fourteen (14) Upper Salford residents.

**On a motion** made by Mr. O'Donnell and seconded by Mr. Sacks, the Board of Supervisors unanimously authorized the advertisement of the **2021 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 4, 2021, 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., 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., and the Indian Valley Regional Planning Commission, which would be held January 26, March 23, May 25, July 27, September 28, and November 23 at 7:00 p.m. All meetings will be held at the Township Office, except for the Indian Valley

Regional Planning Commission meetings, which will be held virtually until further notice. When in-person meetings of the IVRPC resume they will be 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 2021 non-emergency events and fundraisers:** Red, White and Blue 4<sup>th</sup> 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, Trunk or Treat Event, 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 Hayride, 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. O'Donnell, the Board of Supervisors unanimously approved the **2021 Municipal Financial Budget**. No tax increase was proposed.

**On a motion** made by Mr. O'Donnell and seconded by Mr. Sacks, the Board of Supervisors unanimously approved the **advertisement of the Recreational District Zoning Amendment**, upon the completion of the review and the recommendation of the Upper Salford Township Planning Commission and the Montgomery County Planning Commission.

Mr. O'Donnell reported on the status of the **Park to Perkiomen Trail Connector project**. The **advertisement of the Bid for the Park to Perkiomen Trail Connector Phase 1 Project** was placed on December 1 and December 8, 2020. Bid specs are available for contractors to pick up. The mandatory pre-bid meeting will be held on Friday, December 11, 2020 and bids will be publicly opened on December 22, 2020.

**On a motion** made by Mr. Sacks and seconded by Mr. O'Donnell, the Board of Supervisors unanimously approved the bills for the month of December in the amount of \$113,264.11 for payment.

The receipts for the month of December totaled \$108,247.40.

The Treasurer's report as of December 8, 2020 noted the following amounts: total assets, \$8,932,719.98; total liabilities, \$760,662.62; total equity, \$8,172,057.36. Total liabilities and equity equal \$8,932,719.98.

**On a motion** made by Mr. Sacks and seconded by Mr. O'Donnell, the Board of Supervisors unanimously approved the minutes of the November 10, 2020 Board of Supervisors meeting.

**Public Comments:**

- *Mr. Poatsy publicly thanked the Plymouth Ambulance for their Toys for Tots event.*
- *Mr. Poatsy publicly thanked the Upper Salford Volunteer Fire Company for their attendance and assistance at the Christmas Tree Lighting.*
- *Michael Dottaviano, 942 Old Sumneytown Pike, commented on various issues at the property located at 939 Old Sumneytown Pike.*
- *L. Ronald Offner, owner of the property, spoke about the work being done on his property at 939 Old Sumneytown Pike.*
- *Paul Maurer, 2605 Woodspring Lane, inquired about additional information on the property located at 939 Old Sumneytown Pike.*
- *Keith Hotz, 3415 Salford Station Road, spoke about the work being done on the property located at 939 Old Sumneytown Pike.*
- *Mr. Poatsy reported on a successful 2020 Upper Salford Township:*
  - *Wolford Road Lot purchased*
  - *Barndt Road Traffic Light installed*
  - *4 Concerts in the Park were held in Upper Salford Park (3-Upper Salford Township & 1-Lower Frederick Township)*
  - *Movie on the Mountain*
  - *4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade*
  - *Connector Trail permits were received*
  - *3 Grants were received*
  - *Perkiomenville Road paved by PennDOT*
  - *Took a loan out for the Perkiomen Valley Library*
  - *Progress on the Baghurst site with EPA*
  - *Received a loan for the 2021 Dump Truck*
  - *Township successfully defended the zoning laws in the cell phone tower challenge*
  - *The bridge was opened on Sumneytown Pike at the bottom of the hill*

**On a motion** made by Mr. O'Donnell and seconded by Mr. Sacks, the meeting adjourned at 8:36 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Amy B. Shafer  
Secretary