

April 12, 2022
Upper Salford, Pennsylvania

The April 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 **public announcements**:

- The Board of Supervisors has been in communication with representatives from the EPA on the continuing work on the Baghurst remediation efforts. The pumphouse is currently being constructed next to the Rahmer baseball field.
- Phase 1 of the Connector Trail is closed. No one should be on this section of the trail due to safety reasons. Phase 1 will open upon completion of Phase 2.
- The Philadelphia Folk Fest Groundz Crew is holding an Earth Day Cleanup on April 23rd at the Upper Salford Park beginning at 9:00am.
- The Upper Salford Volunteer Fire Company is having the first of 2 food truck festivals, scheduled on Saturday, May 7th from 12p to 6p at Spring Mountain Adventures.
- On April 25th at 7pm, Rick Sacks will be holding a presentation on the history of the Upper Salford Volunteer Fire Company at the Upper Salford Fire House. The 75th Anniversary of the USVFC will be held on May 14th from 11a – 3pm.

The following reports were presented for the month of March 2022: State Police, Upper Salford Volunteer Fire Company, Plymouth Community Ambulance Association, Harleysville Area EMS, Zoning Officer/Building Inspector, Park Board, Road Superintendent, Solicitor, Historical Society, Residential Pumping Receipt Update, Indian Valley Regional Planning Commission, and Auditors' Report.

Aileen Johnson, Branch Manager of the **Perkiomen Valley Library**, gave a presentation and discussed different events that the library is holding for their members this year. The Board of Supervisors presented their annual donation check to Ms. Johnson.

Mr. O'Donnell gave an update on the **Park to Perkiomen Trail Connector**. The construction of Phase 2 of the Trail Connector is moving along.

A discussion was held about the Baghurst Remediation project. **On a motion** made by Mr. O'Donnell and seconded by Mr. Sacks, the Board of Supervisors unanimously approved the drafting of a **Well Abandonment Ordinance** and consulting with EPA and the Township Solicitor.

Public Comment:

- *Kurt Stein, Galen Lane, inquired what caused the contamination at Baghurst.*

On a motion made by Mr. Sacks and seconded by Mr. O'Donnell, the Board of Supervisors unanimously authorized the **Upper Salford Special Fire Police** to request outside assistance with traffic and crowd control at the **75th Anniversary of the Upper Salford**

Volunteer Fire Company (USVFC) on May 14th and the **Balloon Glow Event** at Upper Salford Park on July 1st through 4th.

On a motion made by Mr. Sacks and seconded by Mr. O'Donnell, the Board of Supervisors unanimously authorized the **Upper Salford Special Fire Police** to assist at **Towamencin Day** on May 21st and at **Harleysville Country Fair Days** from May 27th to 28th, if they so choose and have the volunteers available.

On a motion made by Mr. O'Donnell and seconded by Mr. Sacks, the Board of Supervisors unanimously authorized a **Road Closure** on Old Skippack Road from Bergey Road to Shelly Road, on May 14th, from 10am to 4pm, for the 75th Anniversary of the USVFC.

On a motion made by Mr. Poatsy and seconded by Mr. Sacks, the Board of Supervisors unanimously approved the signing of the **Balloon Glow Event agreement**, upon the review by the Solicitor.

Public Comments:

- *Kurt Stein, Galen Lane, inquired if these are hot air balloons.*
- *Emily Lenker, Wolford Road, inquired about the speeding and requesting additional signage on Wolford Road.*

On a motion by Mr. O'Donnell and seconded by Mr. Sacks, the Board of Supervisors unanimously approved the **Budget Reallocation** to reflect the salary market adjustments made by the Board in February 2022.

On a motion made by Mr. O'Donnell and seconded by Mr. Sacks, the Board of Supervisors unanimously approved the bills for the month of April in the amount of \$429,718.44 for payment.

The receipts for the month of April totaled \$333,517.69.

The Treasurer's report as of April 12, 2022 noted the following amounts: total assets, \$9,667,478.21; total liabilities, \$563,953.63; total equity, \$9,103,524.58. Total liabilities and equity equal \$9,667,478.21.

The Valley Forge Tourism and Convention Board gave a Power Point presentation.

On a motion made by Mr. O'Donnell and seconded by Mr. Sacks, the Board of Supervisors unanimously approved the minutes of the March 8, 2022 Board of Supervisors meeting as submitted.

Public Comments:

- *Emily Lenker, Wolford Road, inquired about additional signage on Wolford Road.*
- *Kurt Stein, Galen Lane, shared with the Board of Supervisors that he has received positive responses from people throughout the community on how the Board has*

kept a lower tax base for its residents. He also requested that there be larger signage when spraying is done at the Park. Mr. Stein also inquired about “smash and grabs” that have happened at the Park.

- *Chris Coffey, Spring Mount Road, commented that police have been making traffic stops on Spring Mount Road.*
- *Barbara Gormley, Wolford Road, announced that on April 16th, 2022, the Ladies Auxiliary of the Upper Salford Volunteer Fire Company will be holding their Annual Easter Egg Hunt at the Fire Company after a 2-year pause due to COVID.*

On a motion made by Mr. Sacks and seconded by Mr. Poatsy, the meeting adjourned at 8:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Amy B. Shafer
Secretary