

April 13, 2021
Upper Salford, Pennsylvania

The April 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 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. No in-person meetings have been held, but there has been correspondence through email.
- The Philadelphia Folk Fest Clean Up Day is scheduled for April 17th at the Upper Salford Park beginning at 9am.
- Mr. O'Donnell publicly thanked members of the Folk Fest Grounds Team who helped at the Stream Clean-Up in conjunction with The Perkiomen Watershed Conservancy held at Rahmer Park.
- DVRPC will be conducting traffic counting throughout the Township.
- Construction on the Park to Perkiomen Trail will be begin within the next one to 2 weeks, therefore, the walking trails in the area of the Wolford Road lot will be temporarily closed for safety reasons.
- The Concerts in the Park schedule has been announced. June 10th will be The Mighty Manatees. July 8th will be the Dirk Quinn Band. August 12th will be The Little Red Rooster Blues Band. Concerts are scheduled from 7pm to 8:30pm.
- The Souderton-Telford BPW Group is holding their annual local market showcase on May 1st at the Upper Salford Park.
- The Upper Salford Volunteer Fire Company is holding a Food Truck Mayhem on May 8th at Spring Mountain Adventures.

The following reports were presented for the month of March 2021: State Police, Upper Salford Volunteer Fire Company, Special Fire Police (February & March), Plymouth Community Ambulance Association, Harleysville Area EMS, Zoning Officer, Building Inspector, Park Board, Road Superintendent, Solicitor, Historical Society, Residential Pumping Receipt Update, and Indian Valley Regional Planning Commission.

On a motion made by Mr. Poatsy and seconded by Mr. Sacks, the Board of Supervisors unanimously accepted the bid for the **1998 Ford Dump Truck** to Augie Ferretti for **\$20,000.00**. The bid was received through an electronic auction on Municibid.com after being duly advertised.

The Township received a Letter of Intent from Spring Hill Realty Inc, along with a memo from the Zoning Officer, for an interest to lease **2850**, in the **Shelly Square Shopping Center**, to a **Karate School**. Action by the Board of Supervisors is not necessary per the Township Solicitor.

On a motion made by Mr. Poatsy and seconded by Mr. Sacks, the Board of Supervisors unanimously approved **Resolution #2021-7: Authorize the Acquisition of a Certain Tract of Land Situate on Ridge Road for Park, Recreation and Open Space Purposes**. The purchase of land from the **Ganter** family, located at **2146 Ridge Road**, will add approximately 24.30006 acres of open space to the Rogers-Hiester preserve.

On a motion made by Mr. Poatsy and seconded by Mr. Sacks, the Board of Supervisors unanimously approved **Resolution #2021-8: Authorize the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors** to sign documents pertaining to the **Maintenance Agreement** for the **Roundabout at Old Skippack/Schwenksville Road**.

The Board of Supervisors held a discussion on the **Inter-Municipal Agreement with Schwenksville Water Authority** in connection with the Baghurst remediation.

Mr. O'Donnell gave an update on the **Construction of the Park to Perkiomen Trail Connector Phase 1**, which includes Upper Salford Park to Spring Mount Road. Construction is anticipated to begin within the next 2 weeks. The public is being asked to stay out of the construction area until the official ribbon-cutting of the trail opening.

On a motion made by Mr. Poatsy and seconded by Mr. Sacks, the Board of Supervisors unanimously approved **Resolution #2021-9: Authorize the Acquisition of a Certain Tract of Land Situate on Spring Mount Road for Park, Recreation, and Open Space Purposes**. The Township secured an agreement with the property owner, **John Kile**, to go in front of the house with **Phase 2 of the Trail Connector**, instead of around the back of the property, especially to protect the hundreds of trees.

Public Comment:

- *Mr. O'Donnell publicly thanked Mr. Poatsy for his diligence in negotiating with the property owner to come to a resolution to go in front of the Kile property with Phase 2 of the Trail Connector, as this will be advantageous to all parties involved, including the Township, trail users, residents, the cost savings, and the hundreds of trees that are being saved.*

On a motion made by Mr. Poatsy and seconded by Mr. Sacks, the Board of Supervisors unanimously authorized the approval to **advertise Ordinance #2021-2, Ordinance Amendment – Accessory Dwelling Unit**, to consider it for adoption at the next Board of Supervisors meeting.

The Board of Supervisors held a discussion on the **replacement of the playground equipment** at Upper Salford Park.

On a motion made by Mr. Poatsy and seconded by Mr. Sacks, the Board of Supervisors unanimously approved the bills for the month of April in the amount of \$247,483.57 for payment.

The receipts for the month of April totaled \$349,796.89.

The Treasurer's report as of April 13, 2021 noted the following amounts: total assets, \$9,468,008.90; total liabilities, \$731,523.99; total equity, \$8,736,484.91. Total liabilities and equity equal \$9,468,008.90.

On a motion made by Mr. Poatsy and seconded by Mr. Sacks, the Board of Supervisors unanimously approved the minutes of the March 9, 2021 Board of Supervisors meeting, as submitted.

Public Comments included:

- *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. Poatsy commented that Montgomery County awarded the Township a grant for a possible land acquisition on Spring Mount Road.*
- *Kyle Nice of Josie Lane inquired about the liabilities on the Treasurer's Report.*

On a motion made by Mr. Sacks and seconded by Mr. Poatsy, the meeting adjourned at 8:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Amy B. Shafer
Secretary