

February 4, 2025
Upper Salford, Pennsylvania

Joint Meeting Minutes

A Joint meeting of the Upper Salford Township Board of Supervisors and Planning Commission was brought to order by Mr. O'Donnell at 7:30 p.m. Messrs. Giannini, Bean and Fritz were present. Supervisors in attendance were Messrs. Poatsy Jr., O'Donnell and Sacks. Montgomery County Planner, Naomi Crimm, and Township Solicitor Stephen Imms, Jr. were in attendance. Planning Commission members Messrs. Nase and Ebersole were absent.

Mr. O'Donnell turned the meeting over to Planning Commission chair, Mr. Giannini for the **annual reorganization of the Planning Commission**. Mr. Giannini opened nominations for Planning Commission chair. Mr. Bean nominated Mr. Giannini, seconded by Mr. Fritz. Nomination accepted. Mr. Giannini called for nomination for Vice-Chair. Mr. Giannini nominated Mr. Bean, seconded by Mr. Fritz. Nomination accepted.

Naomi Crimm provided a revision of the draft **Solar Energy Facility Regulations** Ordinance. The focus of discussion was primarily on ground-mounted systems. Roof mounted systems were briefly discussed, referring to the latest version of the National Fire Protection Code for setbacks. Permitting Solar Energy Facilities by Conditional Use in the LI Limited Industrial and the LLI Limited Light Industrial districts was discussed. It was suggested that solar panel height should be regulated. With regards to glare, in addition to requiring a study, there should be a standard established. Ground contamination and testing were discussed.

At the next scheduled Joint meeting Mr. Imms will have the finalized farm/animals ordinance revisions for final review.

During **Public Comment**, Mr. Poatsy shared the decision of the Commonwealth Court for the Spring Mount Road property condemnation was ruled in favor of the Township.

On a motion made by Mr. Poatsy, seconded by Mr. Giannini, the **Meeting Minutes** for December 3, 2024, were approved as written.

On a motion made by Mr. Poatsy, seconded by Mr. Giannini, the meeting was **adjourned** at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori F. Smith
Assistant Secretary