

**UPPER MIFFLIN TOWNSHIP
455 WHISKEY RUN ROAD
NEWVILLE, PA 17241**

**Meeting Minutes
June 16, 2015**

The Board of Supervisors of Upper Mifflin Township met on Tuesday, June 16, 2015 at the Township Building, 455 Whiskey Run Road. Chairman Bixler called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

Present: Michael Bixler, Todd Chestnut, Heidi Clevenger, Sean Shultz, Esquire, Solicitor and Ruth Ann Myers, Sec.-Treas.

Approval of May 20, 2015 meeting minutes:

Todd motioned to approve the minutes. Heidi seconded; all were in favor.

Acceptance of May 20, 2015 treasurer's report:

Todd motioned to accept treasurer's report. Heidi seconded; motion passed with all in favor.

Bid opening:

The Township only received one bid for seal coat and one for paving. Wilson Paving, 480 Old West York Road, a bid of \$99,348.10 for paving and a bid of \$55,617.66 for seal coating various roads. Mike motioned to accept the bids for paving and seal coating. Todd seconded; motion passed with all in favor.

Visitors:

See attached list.

Wayne Morris, 1512 Mountain Road, stated that Rodney Rice installed field tile and a five foot hole on the property next to him (owned by his mother) and drained his field unto his property and now his water is polluted and they can not drink it and the fish in his pond all died. He asked what the Township can do. Todd had the Conservation District out to inspect the property and Mr. Morris had DEP out to look at it also. Mr. Morris was told he contacted the right people and now he needs to let them work for him. Mr. Morris also said that the 3-way stop at the intersection of Woods Road and Mountain Road that no one stops at it as he almost got hit there.

Carl Dean Hoover Poultry Barn was next on the agenda. The Planning Commission reviewed the plan and recommended to the Board that it not be approved. The Board received a petition with 40 names on it against the proposed chicken house (42' x 600') at 1100 Mountain Road. Several residents voiced their concerns such as traffic, smell, wild animals and proximity to neighbor's backyards. Rick Beckner, chairman of the Planning Commission, stated that if the residents would not have been against zoning in January, we wouldn't be having this conversation as the chicken house would not have been allowed in the Conservation District. Then Carl Dean Hoover talked to the people present and addressed their concerns and he followed all procedures. The chicken house will hold

13,000 laying chickens and roosters. He stated that the eggs will be trucked by a box truck twice a week and feed delivered once or twice a week. He also invited anyone who had questions or concerns to stop by his residence and he would be glad to answer them. Mike motioned to table the plan until next meeting so Sean can review it and give his recommendation to the Board. Todd seconded; motion passed. The next meeting will be July 21st at 7 PM.

Correspondence:

The Board received a letter from PENN DOT about the intersection of Route 997 and Whiskey Run Road. They conducted a traffic and safety study and will implement the following safety improvements:

Enlarge the existing 30” Stop signs on each leg of SR4013 to 36” signs and add supplemental 36” Stop signs at the same locations.

Add supplemental 36” Stop Ahead signs on SR4013 on opposite sides of existing Stop Ahead signs.

Install new stop lines on both legs of SR 4013 at the intersection.

Install a new 25 MPH speed advisory plaque to the existing crossroad sign on northbound SR 0997.

Change existing 30 MPH speed advisory plaque on the existing crossroad sign to 25 MPH on southbound SR 0997.

Old Business:

Jason Artz, District 4, has not had his septic pumped. Sean stated he has not be served and asked the Board for \$500.00 to take care of this. Mike motioned for secretary to write the check when needed. Todd seconded; motion carried.

Hempt Bros. bond-Sean reported that the Township needs to send a notice of discovery to Hempt Bros. and Liberty Mutual who issued the bond that the Township is not satisfied with the repairs to the roadways that they traveled during construction of the Turnpike in Upper Mifflin Township. Dale and the Supervisors will mark roadways that need repairs. Disposal of old records-resolution must state specific records and year.

Bridgewater Lane bridge-conference call was held on June 15th with Martin & Martin, Dale, Ruth Ann, Mike and DEP. Tim Cormany, Martin & Martin, explained the situation. DEP said if all concerns are met, the Township should be able to get a general permit to fix the bridge.

New Business:

There was a legal question about Theresa writing the meeting minutes. Mike motioned to appoint Theresa Myers as assistant secretary solely to take the minutes and write them. Todd seconded; motion passed.

Rick Beckner told the Board that the Planning Commission will be finished with the new draft zoning ordinance on July 7th and will be presented to the Board at the July meeting. The Planning Commission would like to have their special meeting on Aug. 11, 2015 for public comment. The Planning Commission would like the Board to adopt this ordinance before the end of the year. He said they addressed all concerns and comments and changed the zoning map. Secretary will advertise the meeting in The Valley-Times Star. Rick suggested also advertising in The Sentinel but supervisors wanted to do a newsletter

instead so it could be sent to all residents. Secretary said that a draft newsletter was started. When completed it is to be sent to each supervisor for their approval.

Solicitor's Report:

Sean prepared a new building permit resolution. Todd motioned to accept revised resolution. Heidi seconded; motion passed.

Road Master Report:

Dale said they received the used guard rail from the Turnpike. He asked for permission to get a plate for the loader to mount a snowplow on it at a cost of \$1200 from Countryside Welding. Heidi asked that trees be trimmed that are hanging over their field.

Permit Report:

There were six building permits issued since last meeting.

Emergency Management Coordinator:

Bob was absent.

Approval of bills for payment:

Todd motioned to approve the bills for payment. Mike seconded; all were in favor.

Adjournment:

Todd motioned to adjourn. Heidi seconded; all were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 8:36 PM

Secretary,

Ruth Ann Myers