

UPPER OXFORD TOWNSHIP  
MARCH 12, 2018

Upper Oxford Township Board of Supervisors held their regular monthly meeting at the township building, 1185 Limestone Road, Russellville, PA on Monday, March 12, 2018 at 7:00 P.M.

PRESENT: Howard S. Reyburn  
Scott A. Rugen  
Charles Fleischmann

Jane Daggett, Secretary

OTHERS: Judy and Mike DeGeiso Gary Calibey  
Ron Ragan, township engineer Denise Rugen  
Karen and Bill Hovis Christiana Watters  
Patrick and Megan Woodward

After the Salute to the Flag, Howard Reyburn led in prayer.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – At this time, there were no comments from the public.

MINUTES – Motion was made by Charles Fleischmann, seconded by Howard Reyburn and carried to approve the February 12, 2018 Minutes.

Reyburn – Yea

Rugen – Yea

Fleischmann – Yea

OLD LIMESTONE ROAD – The township engineer was present to discuss his outcome of having a survey done on Old Limestone Road and the problem with drainage along the road. The homes and yards are higher than the road. The engineer came up with two options. One would be to have a pipe along Old Limestone Road and emptying out into the farmer's field behind the homes. The other option would be installing six (6) culvert boxes along Old Limestone Road and then running a pipe under Route 10 to the empty field. The second option would be less costly. Both options would need easements from property owners. Based on Ron analysis, the fall from Old Limestone to Route 10 is sufficient. Ron stated that deeds would need to be researched to see if any of the properties have easements. Ron's next step, if agreed to by the Supervisors would be the calculations to see if the inlets would work, what size pipe would be needed and also do a deed research. Resident, Patrick Woodward stated that he could show the Road Master where the existing pipe is located. Megan Woodward questioned the amount of damage to properties. Ron stated that a backhoe, trench, replacing shrubs and re-seeding would be necessary.

MS-4 – Ron Ragan discussed having a MS4 permit for storm sewers in the Grist Mill subdivision only at this time. We received this permit years ago. During 2010, Turner Pond was added to the next permit cycle. The next step would be to identify and then reduce by ten (10%) percent in the permit cycle contributing to the outfall. Ron presented maps to the Board of Supervisors showing the storm water facilities in Grist Mill subdivision and also Turners Pond subdivision. Both maps showed the impaired streams. Ron discussed the method based on impervious and pervious area and how they would be calculated for existing conditions. He picked the smaller basin, TP-31 – which would get up to 13% removal and would be able to meet our objective. Ron stated that he attended another meeting and was informed that municipalities would be responsible for water running across the roads. This is due at the end of the year. Ron hopes it will be more resolved by other townships at that time.

JOHN STOLTZFUS – John Coldiron was present to represent John Stoltzfus of 161 Draper Lane. Mr. Stoltzfus is proposing to place a double-wide on the property along with a barn and greenhouse. The township engineer stated that his opinion is that a formal Land Development Plan must be submitted.

ROADS – Scott Rugen read the Road Master's report for the month. All three Supervisors commended the Road Master, Andy DiFilippo on the wonderful job he has been doing with snow removal since the township is short-handed at this time.

ZONING – Scott Rugen read the Zoning Officer’s report for the month.

HISTORIC COMMISSION – Denis Rugen stated that the deadline for the news articles is March 1<sup>st</sup>. Denise gave an update on the upcoming farm tour to be held August 8 at Philip Edwards’ property. The last one room school marker has been ordered and the members discussed draft for eleven bridges.

PAYMENT OF BILLS – Motion was made by Howard Reyburn, seconded by Charles Fleischmann and carried to approve the payment of bills in the amount of \$30,940.13 from the General Fund.

Reyburn – Yea

Rugen – Yea

Fleischmann – Yea

2018 ROAD WORK – Motion was made by Scott Rugen, seconded by Howard Reyburn and carried to authorize the Secretary to advertise for road bids for work to be performed during 2018. Bids will be accepted, opened and awarded at the regular scheduled meeting of the Board of Supervisors to be held on May 14, 2018.

Reyburn – Yea

Rugen – Yea

Fleischmann – Yea

COCHRANVILLE FIRE CO. ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUET – Will be held April 7, 2018 at 5:00 P.M. at the Historic Revere Tavern. Supervisors will respond directly to the fire company if interested.

Scott Rugen reported the Union Fire Company #1 will be having their quarterly meeting March 22, 2018 to discuss funding, existing contracts, long range planning and a gun raffle. Scott will attend the meeting.

CELL TOWER ORDINANCE – A draft ordinance was received from the township’s solicitor, Thomas Oeste. After reviewing the draft, Charlie added more detailed and clarifying sentences to the draft. The Secretary was instructed to forward the draft ordinance to Upper Oxford Planning Commission for their discussion at their April 2, 2018 meeting. Scott will communicate with the person planning the Eco Site Tower and update him on the status.

Mike DeGeiso questioned if there are any zoning issues. The Supervisors stated that height restrictions and maintenance will be included in the contract. Denise Rugen questioned what the cost would be to the Township. Supervisors responded that there would be no cost to the Township for the Cell Tower.

ROAD CREW – The Supervisors advertised for a full time road crew member since Jim Wilson is on family leave. Interviews will be scheduled in the near future.

LIGHT – Judy DeGeiso questioned when the outside light on the pole in the parking lot would be repaired. The Supervisors will pass this along to Andy.

ADJOURNMENT – There being no further business, motion was made by Charles Fleischmann and carried unanimously to adjourn at 8:20 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Daggett  
Secretary

