

UPPER OXFORD TOWNSHIP
MAY 13, 2019

Upper Oxford Township Board of Supervisors held their regular monthly meeting at the Township Building, 1185 Limestone Road, Russellville, PA on Monday, May 13, 2019 at 7:00 P.M..

PRESENT: Howard Reyburn
 Charles Fleischmann Absent – Scott Rugen

 Jane Daggett, Secretary

OTHERS: Bill Hovis Karl Herr
 Pat Heck Ed Thornton
 Robert Hotchkiss, SCCEMS Jim McLeod
 Harold Shivery, Jr. Susan Hancock

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by the Vice-chairman, Howard Reyburn. After the Salute to the Flag, Howard Reyburn led in prayer.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – Mr. Bill Hovis informed the Board that he was contacted by Merle Reyburn, who would like to build some birdhouses for our park as part of his Eagle Scout Project. The Supervisors thought this was a good idea. Mr. Hovis will contact Merle and give him the go-ahead.

ROAD BIDS – After being duly advertised in the Daily Local News on April 5, 2019 and April 12, 2019, the following road bids were opened by the Board of Supervisors.

Long’s Asphalt, Inc.	In Place – Paving
Asphalt Industries, Inc.	In Place – Seal Coat
Martins Paving, Inc.	In Place – Seal Coat
Allan Myers LP	Blacktop
Allan Myers Materials Inc.	Stone
Alger Oil, Inc.	Heating oil, Diesel Fuel and Propane

MINUTES – Motion was made by Charles Fleischmann, seconded by Howard Reyburn and carried to approve the April 13, 2019 Regular Minutes and the April 22, 2019 Work Session Minutes as written.

Reyburn – Yea

Fleischmann – Yea

ROBERT HOTCHKISS – Chief Officer of SCCEMS was present to give an update on their activities. Mr. Hotchkiss thanked the Supervisors for their continued support. The SCCEMS is a non- profit, independent organization, funded by the eighteen (18) municipalities in the area. The SCCEMS has a full time staff of paramedics and are stationed at two locations, namely; Jennersville Hospital and the Avondale Fire Company. The SCCEMS has worked closely with the OXREM on drills and helped with community outreach programs. Questions from the audience covered size of payroll which was \$800,000 and if patients were given a choice of the hospital they wished to go to.

ROAD BIDS – Motion was made by Charles Fleischmann, seconded by Howard Reyburn and carried to award the following road bids for 2019.

Stone	Allan Myers Materials Inc.
Blacktop	Allan Myers LP
Seal Coat – In Place	Asphalt Industries, Inc.
In Place – Paving	Long’s Asphalt, Inc.
Heating, Diesel and Propane	Alger Oil, Inc.

Reyburn – Yea

Fleischmann – Yea

WINDEMERE PROPERTY – Mrs. Pat Heck was present to discuss with the Supervisors the problems she is having with ground water. Motion was made by Howard Reyburn, seconded by Charles Fleischmann and carried to have the township engineer, Ron Ragan inspect the easement on Windemere to see if there are any solutions to the water problem.

Reyburn – Yea

Fleischmann – Yea

ISLAMIC SOCIETY OF DELAWARE – At their settlement, the Society paid Realty Transfer Taxes to Pennsylvania even though they are exempt. After correspondence with the Department of Revenue, it was decided that the Society should receive a refund on the amount paid. This was also reviewed by the township solicitor who approved giving a refund. Motion was made by Howard Reyburn, seconded by Charles Fleischmann and carried to refund the amount of \$1,212.75 to the Islamic Society of Delaware.

Reyburn – Yea

Fleischmann - Yea

ZONING – Howard Reyburn read the Zoning Officer’s report for the month.

ROADS – Howard Reyburn read the Road Master’s report for the month. Bill Hovis stated that he thought the road crew did a good job of weed whacking in the rain garden. The Park Committee will have an expert come in to identify invasive species in the future.

ENGINEER – Howard Reyburn read the Engineer’s report for the month.

PAYMENT OF BILLS – Motion was made by Charles Fleischmann, seconded by Howard Reyburn and carried to approve the payment of bills in the amount of \$57,707.64 from the Open Space Fund and \$89,827.25 from the General Fund.

Reyburn – Yea

Fleischmann – Yea

TIMOTHY OWENS – would like the Township to contact Penn Dot requesting Penn Dot to do a traffic study on Route 10. Mr. Owens would like a “no left hand turn” put in place at Route 10 and Old Limestone Road. Mr. Owens said that vehicles having been going around other vehicles that are making a left hand turn and have been coming onto his property. The Supervisors discussed traffic calming and traffic volume or speed. Supervisor Fleischmann will contact Penn Dot.

ROUTE 1 MEETING – Howard Reyburn explained to the public that Penn Dot will be holding a public meeting, Tuesday, May 14th from 4:30 to 5:30 PM for Public Officials and 6:00 to 8:00 PM for the public. Penn Dot is planning to improve and reconstruct U.S. 1 from Route 472 (Lancaster Pike) to Route 896 (Newark Road) in Oxford Borough, Lower Oxford and Upper Oxford Townships. The plan consists of reconstruction to improve the roadway, bridge rehabilitations, shoulder widening and interchange ramp improvements. New traffic signals are also proposed at U.S. 1 and Route 10 and roundabouts are proposed at the intersection of the U.S. 1 ramps and Route 896. An opportunity will be present to view project plans and speak with the design team members.

CENSUS – The Census Bureau are looking for people to work during the next census. The pay is \$19.00/hour. Workers will need to attend a two day class. The Supervisors stated that our building would be available for classes if needed.

STREET LIGHT AT ROUTE 926 – A street light which is on an electric pole at Route 10 and Route 926 is out. Ms. Wanda Davis contacted PECO and also Penn Dot whom both said that the light belongs to the Township. Charlie will investigate this with PECO.

ACT 319 EXONERATION – A letter was received from Sam Goodley on behalf of Joan Dougherty requesting that she be exonerated from payment of Clean and Green “rollback” taxes under Act 319. This will be sent to our solicitor, Tom Oeste for review.

TAX COLLECTOR – A report was received from the Tax Collector with a list of 2018 Delinquent Per Capita Taxes. Motion was made by Howard Reyburn, seconded by Charles Fleischmann and carried to send this to Berkheimer for collection.

Reyburn – Yea

Fleischmann – Yea

ROUTE 1 CORRIDOR is now called Route 1 Economic Initiative. At the last meeting the map was reviewed and properties were identified. The corridor is still not limited by Route 1 By-Pass and Railroad as initially presented. Charlie will attend the next meeting and suggest that they criteria to identify properties and get back on track regarding the initial presentation.

STORM WATER – The Oxford Regional Planning Group is working with the Fish and Wildlife, Brandywine Conservancy and the State of Maryland regarding storm water and MS4 planning through education, outreach to resident and the web site. No MS4 plan has yet been approved by DEP. This will be on the agenda at the next Oxford Regional Planning meeting to be held Wednesday, May 22, 2019 at Lower Oxford Township.

MEETING – The regular meeting was suspended at 8:15 for an executive session to discuss a land legal dispute. The Executive Session closed at 8:35 PM.

ADJOURN – There being no further business, motion was made by Charles Fleischmann, second by Howard Reyburn and carried unanimously to adjourn at 8:37 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Daggett
Secretary