

**UPPER OXFORD TOWNSHIP
JUNE 10, 2013**

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

PRESENT: Betsy E. Huber
 Scott A. Rugen
 Charles Fleischmann

 Jane Daggett, Secretary
 Ricky Railing, Road Master
 Frances Reyburn, Historic Commission

OTHERS: Kerwin King Clair King
 Peter Hughes, Red Barn Consulting Philip Edwards
 Gary Calibey

After the Salute to the Flag, Betsy Huber led in prayer.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – Frances Reyburn questioned if we had an ordinance for those serving on the park committee. The Supervisors explained that we would need an ordinance for a “commission” but not a committee. Frances also questioned if the township would want to provide a “practice” football field for children knowing the possibilities of injuries that can occur. The Supervisors responded that the field is not strictly for football and we should not dictate activities that people want to be involved in.

MINUTES – Motion was made by Charles Fleischmann, seconded by Betsy Huber and carried to approve the May 13, 2013 Minutes and the May 28, 2013 Special Meeting Minutes as presented.

Huber – Yea Rugen – Yea Fleischmann – Yea

GREENPOINT FARM, INC. (Brian Campbell) More than 180 days have passed since Brian Campbell on behalf of Greenpoint Farm, Inc. had submitted a proposal to add 9.9 acres, Tax Parcel #57-5-9.1 to the present agricultural security district. Therefore, the addition is automatically approved. Motion was made by Charles Fleischmann, seconded by Betsy Huber and carried to adopt Resolution #2013-5, authorizing the Secretary to file a description of the addition with the Recorder of Deeds.

Huber – Yea Rugen – Yea Fleischmann – Yea

CLAIR AND KERWIN KING/DUCK FARM OPERATION – This plan was presented by Peter Hughes of Red Barn Consulting. Mr. Hughes complimented the Township on opening their meeting with a prayer. Mr. Hughes presented the Township with all the state and county permits that were required for this land development plan. A Performance Guarantee will be forwarded to the Township in the amount of \$113,991.48. Our Zoning Officer questioned the amount of water that the ducks would drink. Philip Edwards, a neighbor of the Kings, also voiced concerns about the effect the duck farm would have on the neighboring water source. Mr. King and Mr. Hughes assured Mr. Edwards that the ducks would not have an impact on the neighboring wells. Mr. Edwards also voiced concerns about traffic and odors. The Supervisors informed Mr. Edwards that trucks would make approximately one trip per week. Mr. Hughes informed Mr. Edwards that there is a lagoon with a cover to minimize the odor. Eleven permits were received to deal with odor, water and truck traffic. Another concern of Mr. Edwards is if the duck barn becomes unprofitable, then what. Mr. Hughes stated that other types could utilize this barn.

Motion was made by Betsy Huber, seconded by Charles Fleischmann and carried to adopt Resolution #2013 – 4, approving the Final Minor Land Development Plan for the King Duck Operation.

Huber – Yea

Rugen – Yea

Fleischmann – Yea

CAROL WARE SUBDIVISION – Motion was made by Betsy Huber, seconded by Charles Fleischmann and carried to approve the Carol Ware Final Minor Subdivision Plan.

Huber – Yea

Rugen – Yea

Fleischmann – Yea

CHALLENGE GRANT PROGRAM FOR 2013 – The Supervisors will review the Open Space Fund and discuss this next month.

ZONING – Scott read the Zoning Officer’s report for the month. Scott also gave a summary of his telephone call with Mr. Gagliardi who would like to demolish the building beside his work shop and erect a new home on the same site. Scott instructed Mr. Gagliardi to contact the zoning officer, William Beers.

HISTORIC – Wanted to know if the old school bell could be placed on a shelf and displayed in the township office. Charlie will check on the weight of the bell.

ROADS – Scott read the Road Master’s report.

PAYMENT OF BILLS – Motion was made by Betsy Huber, seconded by Charles Fleischmann and carried to approve the payment of bills in the amount of \$163,423.54 from the Open Space Fund and \$75,554.06 from the General Fund.

Huber – Yea

Rugen – Yea

Fleischmann – Yea

REMO TOTO ESCROW RELEASE #9 – Motion was made by Betsy Huber, seconded by Charles Fleischmann and carried to approve Release #9 of the Remo Toto Escrow Fund in the amount of \$26,720.95 and closeout the Performance Guaranty based upon recommendations of the Township Engineer, Ragan Engineering, Inc.

Huber – Yea

Rugen – Yea

Fleischmann – Yea

GRIST MILL HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION – The problem regarding the storm water at Grist Mill and the Homeowners Association responsibility was discussed. All paperwork will be forwarded to our Solicitor, Thomas Oeste, to handle.

PAGE EXCAVATING – The Township received a bill from Page Excavating for \$1425.00 for services that Page provided at Route 896 and Dalin Drive.

HARRIS – Scott gave an update on the Harris/Chester County Challenge Grant Program settlement which he attended June 7, 2013.

OXFORD REGIONAL COMPREHENSIVE PLAN – Charlie gave an update on the status of the implementation agreement with the townships that are involved in the plan.

ADJOURNMENT – There being no further business, motion was made by Betsy Huber, seconded by Charles Fleischmann and carried to adjourn at 8:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Daggett
Secretary