

**UPPER OXFORD TOWNSHIP
JUNE 10, 2024**

Upper Oxford Township Board of Supervisors held their regular monthly meeting at the township building, 1185 Limestone Road, Russellville on Monday, June 10, 2024 at 7:00 P.M.

PRESENT: Scott A. Rugen
Howard Reyburn
Charles Fleischmann
Jane Daggett, Secretary

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| OTHERS: | Chris Fisher | Samuel Esch |
| | Aaron King | Benjamin Fisher |
| | John Fisher | Levi Miller |
| | Samuel S. Fisher | Moses Miller |
| | David Miller | Jeff Donnelly |
| | Brad Parker | Matthew McKeon |

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Scott Rugen. After the Salute to the Flag, Scott Rugen led in prayer.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – Aaron King, 246 Cullen Road, questioned the Board regarding the Riparian Buffer Ordinance. The Supervisors explained that ag property would be exempt from the ordinance if they had a Conservation Plan. Mr. King does not have 4 acres. His property is 3.7 acres. The Board stated that if he was going to do agricultural work and generate a profit of \$10,000/per year he should check into the “Right to Farm Act”. If he erects a greenhouse, a Storm Water Plan would be required.

MINUTES – Motion was made by Howard Reyburn, seconded by Charles Fleischmann and carried to approve the May 3, 2024 Minutes.

Reyburn – Yea Rugen – Yea Fleischmann - Yea

ZONING MAP CHANGE – a request was received from Attorney Matthew McKeon on behalf of his client, Donnelly Enterprises, Inc., regarding their property on Route 896. Donnelly Enterprises owns Parcel #57-8-23.1 (5.7 acres) and is zoned R-2 and Parcels #57-8-21 and #57-8-21.6 which are both zoned C-2. They would like the property zoned R-2 to be changed to C-2. The applicants would like to combine the lots and extend an addition on the present building. With the current zoning of R-2 they are unable to make use of this lot. After voicing some concerns about setting a precedent, the Supervisors advised them to go before the Planning Commission July 1st.

BUTLER WAIVER – Motion was made by Scott Rugen, seconded by Charles Fleischmann and carried to recommend that the Township Solicitor send a letter to Regester Associates, engineering firm for the Butlers, rejecting the waivers requested; namely Section 305, Section 308, Section 309.D.1.b. and Section 403.

Reyburn – Yea Rugen – Yea Fleischmann – Yea

ZONING OFFICERS – Motion was made by Scott Rugen, seconded by Howard Reyburn and carried to appoint Ted Jasinski, zoning officer, effective July 1, 2024 with a fixed fee of \$700.00/month.

Reyburn – Yea Rugen – Yea Fleischmann – Yea

SARAH FISHER – property located at 110 Ewing Road – Motion was made by Charles Fleischmann, seconded by Howard Reyburn and carried to approve the two waivers requested by Sarah Fisher subdivision plan, namely Section 501.K and Section 617.

Reyburn – Yea Rugen – Yea Fleischmann – Yea

Member of the Amish Sect were present to discuss a portion of the Sarah Fisher subdivision plan and questioned the Supervisors regarding a spin off lot. They were informed to have them engineer check Section 402.C.1.c.13 in able to move forward with their plan and have a spin off lot of 13 acres.

AARON KING – 246 Cullen Road – asked about the Riparian buffer again Supervisor Rugen gave him the contact name of Ryan Davies at the Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay.

ZONING – Supervisor Rugen read the zoning report for the month. Cease and Desist letters were sent to three people regarding signs.

ROADS – Supervisor Rugen read the road report for the month.

ENGINEER – report was reviewed.

HISTORIC COMMISSION – The Supervisors reviewed the new draft ordinance presented by Blair Fleischmann which was approve by the Planning Commission. The Secretary was instructed to send the draft to the township solicitor for review.

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 \$63,288.00 from the State Fund and \$86,882.56 from the General Fund.

Reyburn – Yea

Rugen – Yea

Fleischmann – Yea

OLD BUSINESS

Letter of Support – Chester Co. – Accelerator Program – this program is more for the Townships that do not have open space not being preserved.

Semi-quincentennial (America 250 PA) Charlie attended the kick-off meeting trying to promote agricultural and ag tourism

Act 537 – Engineer is working on this

Cable TV – Solicitor is working on this

Zoning Fees Schedule – will wait until we have a new zoning officer

Retrofit Basin – pending

Revised Zoning Map – enginner was given permission to move forward

American Rescue Funds – we can use the funds for Grist Mill

Septic Pumping and records – Charlie is working on this

Old Limestone Road – Scott will contact the owner of the property again.

Lecture – Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay will be here on July 19th.

Zoning Hearing for Daniel Stoltzfus – will be held July 16th

ADJOURNMENT – There being no further business, motion was made and carried unanimously to adjourn at 9:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Daggett
Secretary

