

**UPPER OXFORD TOWNSHIP  
NOVEMBER 22, 2021**

Upper Oxford Township Board of Supervisors held an advertised work session at the township building, 1185 Limestone Road, Russellville, on Monday, November 22, 2021 at 7:00 P.M.

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

BUDGET – Additional funds were discussed to be added to the budget. Clothing allowance (#487.191) will have an additional \$210.00 added to the \$900.00 to allow for safety helmets and safety goggles. Equipment (#430.260) will have \$2500.00 for the purchase of a cage to be used in tree trimming. The Supervisors will include purchasing a cage, forks for the backhoe, two axle trailer and safety equipment.

RUSSELLVILLE MEETING – a site inspection was held at Russellville on November 18<sup>th</sup> by the Board of Supervisors and the Road Master. The weather was clear and sunny. The Board identified some problems to be addressed including the possibility of removing two speed humps, regrading both sides of the road from #148 to #165. The Board will have a follow up meeting with the township engineer, Ragan Engineering and will also communicate with the residents to get their input.

MS4 – The Board will ask the township engineer for a “to do” list or follow the set requirements on the application which we are submitting to DEP. Discussion was held regarding Page 4 of the application #1, #2, #3, #4, #5 and #6. Public outreach, education, participation and involvements can be done through our township newsletters to residents. Another option would be coordinating training for the road masters in our region. We will discuss this further with Chester County Conservation District when they attend our December 6<sup>th</sup> meeting. Supervisor Rugen will also check the DEP website for ideas to formulate a “check list”.

BRIDGE PROJECTS – a letter was received from Representative John Lawrence regarding the improvements of bridges in the county using federal funds. The cost of improvements must exceed \$300,000.00. The Supervisors believe we have no bridges in our township which would qualify. Supervisor Rugen will reach out to the Road Master on Tuesday.

HISTORIC RESOURCES – Discussion was held regarding Russellville and Homeville being historic districts or historic overlay along with obtaining a scenic byway status for Route 896. This would give the areas together with Upper Oxford Township Historic Commission much more protection in preserving our historic resources. Additionally, having a Historic Map will give more protection in the case that we must put sewage in Russellville. An official map would designate certain areas of Historic Resources and will also assist in identifying potential sites for septic treatment solutions in the areas needed.

PUMPING – The township received notices from the County and also the Health Department of properties which get pumped by private haulers. Charlie has been keeping track of these pumping’s but will try to log on to the County site to get more information.

ADJOURNED – The work session adjourned at 8:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Daggett  
Secretary