

**UPPER OXFORD TOWNSHIP
APRIL 12, 2010**

The Upper Oxford Township Board of Supervisors held their regular monthly meeting at the township building, 1185 Limestone Road, Russellville, PA on Monday, April 12, 2010 at 7:00 P.M.

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

Jane Daggett, Secretary
Frances Reyburn, Historic Commission
William Beers, Zoning Officer
Ricky Railing, Road Master
Chuck Freese, Emergency Coordinator

OTHERS: Steve Hill
Joe Sexton
Sam Reyburn
Lisa Graybeal, Chester County Press
Margaret Shaw

Gary Calibey
Bob Sexton
John Bradley
William Shaw
Mr. and Mrs. Hovis

After the Salute to the Flag, Scott Rugen, led in prayer.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – Bob Sexton requested information from the Board on when Ms. Soldon and her dogs would be vacating the Catamount Road property since her extension to stay has expired. Betsy informed Mr. Sexton that she had contacted our Solicitor who would be pursuing this matter and contacting Ms. Soldon's attorney. There were no other comments at this time.

MINUTES – Motion was made by Scott Rugen, seconded by Charles Fleischmann and carried to approve the March 8, 2010 Minutes.

Huber – Yea Rugen – Yea Fleischmann – Yea

OXREM – Chuck Freese, the township's Emergency Management Coordinator was present and presented the township with a certificate on behalf of the Oxford Regional Management Team to thank the township for their faith and continued support.

SHAW/THE RIDINGS – Motion was made by Scott Rugen, seconded by Charles Fleischmann and carried to accept and grant an extension for the Shaw/the Ridings, 37 Lot Subdivision on Newark Road until June 30, 2010.

Huber – Yea Rugen – Yea Fleischmann – Yea

ZONING – William Beers read his report for the month. Bill reported that minimal progress has been done on the junk yard. Bill was seeking permission from the Board to file a complaint against the property owners after May 1st.

Roads – Betsy introduced the new road master, Ricky Railing, who read the road report for the month. Ricky informed the Board that he was setting up a "Pavement Index" which rates the roads and will help us with future road improvements. Ricky also would like permission to rent an asphalt machine to demonstrate some road paving techniques to the Board. Permission given. Scott informed the audience that Ricky is retired from the Air Force after 10 years and has extension experience in paving runways and snow plowing.

HISTORIC COMMISSION – No report to give but would like one of the Supervisors to attend their meeting scheduled for April 13, 2010 to discuss the newsletters.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT – Chuck informed the Board that the credentialing process has been delayed because FEMA came along with different formats for credentialing. Chuck also reported that he has been in contact with Penn Dot to see if something can be done to keep the major north and south arteries roads opened during snow storms.

PAYMENT OF BILLS – Motion was made by Scott Rugen, seconded by Charles Fleischmann and carried to approve the payment of bills in the amount of \$515.36 from the Open Space fund and \$61,134.11 from the General Fund.

Huber – Yea Rugen – Yea Fleischmann – Yea

ANTENNA – The purchase and installation of an antenna for the building, to be use in emergencies, was previously discussed by the Supervisors. The township has received two estimates for antennas. Motion was made by Scott Rugen, seconded by Charles Fleischmann and carried to have an antenna installed on the township building by Fre Com, to be used to improve communication for emergencies.

Huber – Yea Rugen – Yea Fleischmann – Yea

SIGNAL SERVICE – Sent a letter of recommendation regarding items in violation of Penn Dot permit. The stop bars need to be painted at Route 10 and 896 and also Baltimore Pike and Route 896. Ricky will call Penn Dot to gather some information on this. Also, one signal has been shot and a cap on the pole is missing. The Secretary will call for estimates to repair these items.

AG ADVISORY COMMITTEE – The Township is required to do a seven year review to update the properties in our Agricultural Area District. A hearing will be scheduled for June. During the review period, land owners can withdraw or add properties to the area. The Ag Advisory Committee will meet before June to do their review and pass their recommendations to the Board of Supervisors.

AUDIT – The Auditors have completed their audit and have commended the Secretary and Tax Collector for their work.

SUBDIVISION AND ZONING AMENDMENTS – A tentative date has been scheduled for May 12, 2010 to have a hearing for the subdivision and zoning amendments.

OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE – Was discussed by the Supervisors. Information will be put on the web site to see if there are any interested parties and Charlie will contact Elizabeth Randolph to see if she is still interested in serving.

STEVE HILL – approached the Supervisors requesting them to write a letter on behalf of the Oxford Lions Club waiving the requirement to have a fire suppressant system on the food trailer which is stored on his property. Motion was made by Charles Fleischmann, seconded by Scott Rugen and carried to have the Secretary write a letter to Chester County Health Department waiving the requirements for a fire suppressant system in the food trailer. Steve also informed the Supervisors that the ditch on Village Road needs to be cleaned out.

WILLIAM SHAW – Questioned the Board on what the zoning amendments would consist of. Betsy informed Mr. Shaw that all definitions would be consistent between the documents, cleaned up spelling and errors, put the sign ordinance and sludge ordinance back in the zoning book. She also told him that it would not affect his property.

ADJOURNMENT – There being no further business, motion was made by Scott Rugen, seconded by Charles Fleischmann and carried to adjourn at 8:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Daggett
Secretary