

UPPER MOUNT BETHEL TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 2018 @ 7 PM

AGENDA – PART I

1. Call to Order- Chairman Bermingham Jr. called the meeting to order @ 7:09 pm.
2. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
3. Roll Call- Present in addition to Chairman Bermingham Jr. were Supervisor Due, Supervisor Teel, Supervisor DeFranco, Supervisor Pinter, Township Manager Fisher, and Township Solicitor Ron Karasek.
4. Approve the Agenda- Chairman Bermingham Jr. amended Agenda Part II, adding an announcement and adding Agenda Part VIII, Executive Session- Litigation for Arbitration and Agenda Part IX, Adjournment. **MOTION** by Supervisor Teel, seconded by Supervisor Pinter to approve the amended agenda. Vote: 5-0.
5. Public Comment-Charles Cole asked what the current status of The Act 537 Plan was and Manager Fisher stated it is now being reviewed by the Supervisors. Charles also commented on having a planner assist with community development. Ron Angle stated the comparison of Upper Mount Bethel and Lower Mount Bethel in regards to developing is similar. Judith Henckel wanted to reiterate what Charles Cole stated, having a planner and having a plan, know where we are going and what we are doing.

AGENDA – PART II (Public Announcement)

Chairman Bermingham Jr. announced that this Wednesday, November 28th, 5-6 pm is the annual Christmas Tree Lighting at the Mt. Bethel Fire Hall. Refreshments will be served.

AGENDA – PART III (Approve Minutes)

1. Monthly Budget Meeting- November 12, 2018. **MOTION** by Supervisor Due, seconded by Supervisor Teel to approve the Monthly Budget Meeting Minutes for November 12, 2018. Vote: 5-0.
2. Monthly Regular Meeting-November 12, 2018. **MOTION** by Supervisor Pinter, seconded by Supervisor Due to approve the Monthly Regular Meeting Minutes for November 12, 2018. Vote: 5-0.

AGENDA – PART IV (Action Agenda)

1. Eagle Scout Project-Manager Fisher discussed the Eagle Scout Project, a fire pit, which was originally approved to be at the park. Manager Fisher stated that the park location was not suitable for the project and would like to move the location to The Preserve. **MOTION** by Supervisor DeFranco, seconded by Supervisor Teel to

- approve the new location of the Eagle Scout Project to The Preserve. Vote: 5-0. Chairman Bermingham Jr. suggested a ceremony for the Eagle Scout and his project, once the project is complete.
2. Preserve Deeds-There was a discussion between the Supervisors, Solicitor Karasek and Manager Fisher regarding a discrepancy with The Preserve Deed's tax ID numbers. Manager Fisher stated that no action is needed at this time. There was a discussion regarding the permitted uses on The Preserve. Chairman Bermingham Jr. asked that the permitted uses be re-visited and put on the December 10, 2018 agenda.
 3. Key Risk Workman's Comp Policies-Manager Fisher provided the Board of Supervisors copies of the new Workman's Comp Policies for them to review. Manager Fisher discussed each Policy with the Supervisors. Chairman Bermingham Jr. asked for this to be put on the January 28, 2019 Work Sessions Agenda.
 4. Movie Night at the Firehouse-December 22, 2018-Chairman Bermingham Jr. stated he would like to have a Christmas Movie Night at the Firehouse. There was a discussion regarding the purchase of a projector and screen or a donated projector from Teel Auctions, to have for future movie showings. Chairman Bermingham Jr. stated this will be UMBT Park Committee event.

AGENDA – PART V (Old Business)

1. Ambulance Update-Chairman Bermingham Jr. stated that he spoke with Jeff Young from Suburban Ambulance and Jeff stated that at this point, they will not be able to provide ALS (Advanced Life Support) service but will prepare a proposal for BLS (Basic Life Support) service. There was a discussion amongst the Supervisors regarding a verbal agreement that the previous Board of Supervisors had with Suburban Ambulance to be stationed at the Mt. Bethel Firehouse, which they are no longer stationed here. Supervisor Teel commented on the donation we have been giving Suburban for years, even though they would still provide service if needed. **MOTION** by Supervisor Pinter, seconded by Supervisor DeFranco, to remove the \$10,350 donation to Suburban Ambulance from the budget. Vote: 5-0. Manager Fisher stated he will move the funds to line item 421.520 and change the name of the line item to Upper Mount Bethel EMS.
2. 2019 Budget-Manager Fisher stated no further discussion regarding the 2019 budget. Manager Fisher stated he would like to see the Events Committee a sub of the Recreation Committee. Supervisor Pinter stated he would like to have the Recreation Committee adopt the Events Committee as a sub-committee.

AGENDA – PART VI (New Business) None

AGENDA – PART VII (Public Comment)

Ron Angle commended Manager Fisher, Supervisor Pinter and Bob Schneider for doing a great job on the budget. Ron also commented on the farmland that the

township rents out. Manager Fisher stated that the township is currently in the process of negotiating with someone else to farm the properties, Jesse Poliskiewicz did not pay or sign the contract this year. Chairman Bermingham Jr. asked that this be put on the January 28th, 2019 Work Session Agenda.

AGENDA – PART VIII (Executive Session) – **MOTION** by Supervisor Teel, seconded by Supervisor DeFranco to adjourn to executive session @ 8:18 pm. Vote: 5-0.
The meeting reconvened @ 8:40. Discussion in executive session was on legal matters regarding litigation for arbitration strategy. No motion, no comments.

AGENDA – PART IX (Adjournment)-**MOTION** by Supervisor Due, seconded by Supervisor Teel to adjourn the Work Session Meeting @ 8:41. Vote: 5-0.

Respectfully Submitted by Cindy Beck-Recording Secretary