

UPPER MOUNT BETHEL TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2019 @ 7:00 PM

PART I

1. Call to Order-Chairman Bermingham Jr. called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.
2. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
3. Roll Call-Present in addition to Chairman Bermingham Jr. were Supervisor Teel, Supervisor DeFranco, Supervisor Pinter and Solicitor Karasek. Absent was Supervisor Due.
4. Approve the Agenda-Chairman Bermingham Jr. stated he would like to amend the agenda, to add to PART IV #7-Zoning Officer Training. **MOTION** by Supervisor Teel, seconded by Supervisor DeFranco, to approve the amended agenda. Vote: 4-0.

PART II (Public Comment-3 minutes)

Charles Cole commended the Supervisors for arranging the Rt. 80 Rockwall meeting. Charles asked about traffic tubes that were on River Road, possibly for traffic studies. Chairman Bermingham Jr. stated he is not aware of them, but will look into it.

Dave Friedman commented on the sign at the end of Sand Pit Rd.

Richard Wilford-Hunt commented on TJ Lonergan and asked if he has been contacted yet to attend the next Act 537 Plan meeting. Richard asked if we have set the date for the next meeting. Chairman Bermingham Jr. stated we are waiting for the public comment/questions to be completed by the Engineer. Richard asked if his questions, addressed to the Supervisors, have been completed. Solicitor Karasek reviewed the questions and stated he has not addressed them. Chairman Bermingham Jr. stated he will review and respond to them.

Chief Chris Finan wanted to thank Lindsey Manzi for his assistance on a recent call. Chris commented that we should look into the 911 data base to see if it is up to date and maybe have a program in place to have residents display their address on their homes.

Christy Granzen discussed her past due garbage bills. Christy stated she would like the Board to consider working with her on her past due garbage bills. For many years, she has been experiencing medical issues and at the same time, trying to keep her home. Christy stated she is able to satisfy a portion of what is due and is hoping to come to an agreement for the remainder. Chairman Bermingham Jr. stated this is currently in the hands of Creditech, our collection agency, which an Ordinance was put in place for. Solicitor Karasek stated an option would be for the Township to except the amount that is currently lien by Creditech and the balance, that has not been sent to Creditech yet, have the Township lien her home. Chairman Bermingham Jr. stated we will do some research and respond at the November 25th meeting.

PART III (Public Announcements) Chairman Bermingham Jr. stated the Rt. 80 Rockwall meeting had a good turn-out. Supervisor Teel stated it was an informational meeting for all that attended. Supervisor Teel stated the proposed project will impact the Township greatly.

PART IV (Action Agenda-matters to be voted on)

1. Heritage Conservancy Proposal- Kris Kern and Laura Baird gave a presentation of the proposal. The Heritage Conservancy, a non-profit Land Trust, is proposing to perform certain professional services to preserve and protect Land Preservation. There was a discussion amongst the Supervisors and Solicitor Karasek on the proposal. Chairman Bermingham Jr. stated the proposal will be reviewed and will add it to our November 25th meeting for further discussion.
2. Frable Conditional Use Approval-Tabled to November 4th.
3. Chris Lubera Park Memorial-Tabled to November 4th.
4. Change November meeting date-Chairman Bermingham Jr. stated since the next Board meeting is scheduled on November 11th, Veteran's Day, the meeting will be rescheduled for November 4th.
5. Bud Hackett Proposal-Chairman Bermingham Jr. stated he received a request from Bud Hackett, Development Planning Associates, to come speak to the Board about managing many different tasks that come upon a community when a large development project is planned. Chairman Bermingham Jr. stated he will try get him to attend the November 25th meeting.
6. Bus Stop Ordinance-Chairman Bermingham Jr. discussed the possibility of having an Ordinance on where a bus stop should be. Solicitor Karasek stated this should be discussed with the School District.
7. Zoning Officer Training-Chairman Bermingham Jr. discussed the Zoning Officer position and training options. Chairman Bermingham Jr. stated no training until further discussion.

PART V (Old Business)

1. RG Hoffman/Electric at the Park-Supervisor DeFranco stated the RG Hoffman quote, previously approved, has been revised, to reflect a lower quote. He just wanted to let the Board know of the quote change. RG Hoffman can start work at any time.

PART VI (New Business)-None

PART VII (Public Comment-3 minutes)-None

PART VIII (Executive Session)-Recess to Executive Session at 8:30 pm to discuss legal matters. The meeting reconvened at 8:50 pm.

1. Legal-No action to be taken at this time.

PART IX (Adjournment)-**MOTION** by Supervisor Teel, seconded by Supervisor DeFranco, to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 pm. Vote: 4-0.

Respectfully Submitted by Cindy Beck-Recording Secretary