

UPPER MOUNT BETHEL TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, DECEMBER 30, 2019 @ 3:30 PM

PART I

1. Call to Order-Chairman Bermingham Jr. called the meeting to order at 3:30 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, and Township Manager Nelson.
4. Approve the Agenda-Chairman Bermingham Jr. amended the agenda, adding Andy Nester to PART II #1. **MOTION** by Supervisor Teel, seconded by Supervisor Due, to approve the amended agenda. Vote: 5-0.
5. Public Comment-3 minutes

Judy Henckel commented on the Friends of Lake Minsi and the need for Upper Mount Bethel Township representatives. Manager Nelson stated he will attend the meetings and provide the Board with feedback. Chairman Bermingham Jr. stated this will be on the agenda for the Re-organization Meeting on January 6, 2020.

Chairman Bermingham Jr. commented on his office hours that he has once a month at the Township Building. He met with residents on Potomac Street who voiced their opinion of the problem with the speeding traffic on their street. Manager Nelson discussed some options for controlling the traffic on Potomac St. and will provide the Board with his recommendations. Chairman Bermingham Jr. stated this will be on the agenda for January 13, 2020.

PART II (Reports)

1. Andy Nester-Chairman Bermingham Jr. spoke of the passing of Andy Nester, a former Supervisor, Veteran and Township Resident and asked for a moment of silence in remembrance. Chairman Bermingham Jr. stated that since Andy was a Veteran and was involved with the Community Park and its acquisition, he would like to recommend naming the Flagpole, as recommended to him by Township Manager Nelson, in Andy Nester's name. **MOTION** by Chairman Bermingham Jr., seconded by Supervisor Teel, to name the Flagpole in Andy Nester's name for his commitment to our country and to Upper Mount Bethel. Vote: 5-0.
2. Financial Report-Bill List-Manager Nelson read the bill list. There was a discussion regarding the transfer and certain bills that are on the list. Chairman Bermingham Jr. stated Diann will review current bill list. Chairman Bermingham Jr. stated this will be on the agenda for January 13, 2020.

3. Zoning Report-Chairman Bermingham Jr. stated that Tina Serfass, our Alternate Zoning Officer, will be providing the Board with a report of her activity on a monthly basis.

PART III (Official Action-matters to be voted on)

1. EAC/OPEN SPACE-Manager Nelson stated that he has attended both the EAC and OPEN SPACE meetings and both seem to have the same objective. Manager Nelson would like the Board to consider merging the two. Janet Pearson stated she does not agree. There was a discussion on the pros and cons of merging them together, taxes, Open Space, Farmland Preservation and what is best for the Township. Manager Nelson stated he will attend the EAC meeting and will provide the Board with an update.

PART IV (Public Comment-3 minutes)

Judy Henckel commented on looking into the Army Corps of Engineering who would possibly work with the Township on the wetlands at no cost.

PART V (Adjournment)-**MOTION** by Supervisor Teel, seconded by Supervisor Due, to adjourn the meeting at 5:15 pm. Vote: 5-0.

Respectfully Submitted by Cindy Beck-Recording Secretary

