

Upper Mount Bethel Township

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### UPPER MOUNT BETHEL TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING MINUTES MONDAY, JULY 27, 2020 @ 7:00 PM

\*Due to COVID-19 and the Stay-at-Home Order issued by Governor Wolf of Pennsylvania, this Board of Supervisors' Meeting was a Virtual Meeting held online.

PART I

- 1. Call to Order-Chairman Bermingham Jr. called this meeting to order at 7:24 pm.
- 2. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Currently there are 56 viewers attending this Live-Stream Meeting.

- 3. Roll Call-Virtually present in addition to Chairman Bermingham Jr. were Supervisor Due, Supervisor Teel, Supervisor DeFranco, Supervisor Pinter, Township Manager Nelson, Township Engineer Coyle, and Township Solicitor Karasek.
- 4. Approve the Agenda-Supervisor Teel amended the agenda, adding to PART V, #6 Ballfield at the Park, Chairman Bermingham Jr. amended the agenda, adding to PART V, #7 Resolutions. **MOTION** by Supervisor Pinter to approve the amended agenda, seconded by Supervisor Teel. VOTE: 5-0.

PART II (Public Comments emailed prior to the meeting)-None

PART III (Announcements)-Chairman Bermingham Jr. announced he will be having office hours this week for anyone that would like to come in to discuss the River Pointe Logistics (RPL) Text Amendment. Look for the day and time on his Facebook page.

## PART IV (Subdivisions)

 Gen-On Lot Line Adjustment Plan-Preliminary/Final Conditional Plan Approval-Solicitor Karasek discussion the Lot Line Adjustment Plan that was recommended by the Planning Commission for Preliminary/Final Conditional Plan Approval. MOTION by Supervisor Teel to approve the Gen-On Lot Line Adjustment Preliminary/Final Conditional Plan Approval, seconded by Supervisor Pinter. Vote: 5-0.

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

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1. River Pointe Logistics Text Amendment Escrow Account-Manager Nelson discussed the need to establish a Text Amendment Escrow Fee and stated he recommends it to

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be set at \$10,000.00. Manager Nelson has estimated this figure by what has been invested to date, with an additional amount added. Supervisor Pinter suggested the amount to be \$15,000. **MOTION** by Supervisor DeFranco to establish a Text Amendment fee schedule in the amount of \$15,000, seconded by Supervisor Teel. Vote: 5-0.

- 2. Renee Gale Right-to-Know Request-Manager Nelson discussed Renee Gale's RTK request. Manager Nelson stated that Renee requested electronic documents that he did not feel comfortable providing them electronically. He did try to provide them in paper form but her request was for electronic copies. There was a hearing on the request. Solicitor Karasek stated the Office of Open Records Board reviewed the request and found that the Township does have to provide the request, with any redactions. Because Ms. Gale was not informed of the cost prior to the printing of the 1291 pages, Solicitor Karasek recommended the Board waive the cost. Stavros Barbounis, the Township IT representative, discussed the QuickBooks files and why he feels it is not recommended to send them to anyone who makes that request. **MOTION** by Supervisor Pinter to waive the fee for the printed documents if Ms. Gale will accept them, seconded by Chairman Bermingham Jr. Vote: 3-2. Supervisor Teel and Supervisor Due voted no.
- 3. Liberty Water Gap PA Extension Appointment-Judy Henckel-Chairman Bermingham Jr. stated that Portland Mayor Prator suggested that the Board appoint Judy Henckel. Supervisor Teel stated he does not feel comfortable with Ms. Henckel representing the Township due to her misconduct that has occurred in the past. Currently Supervisor Due and Manager Nelson represent the Township. There was a discussion on proxy votes. Solicitor Karasek suggested to table this until he can do some research on proxy votes. **MOTION** by Supervisor Due to table, seconded by Supervisor Pinter. Vote: 4-0-1. Supervisor Teel abstained. Chairman Bermingham Jr. asked for this to be on the August 10<sup>th</sup> meeting agenda.
- 4. TJ Lonergan/UMB RACP Grant-Manager Nelson discussed the TJ Lonergan agreement for services for Economic Development Projects in the Township. TJ Lonergan will advise and assist the Township in seeking a RACP grant. There was a discussion on the compensation for services rendered. Chairman Bermingham Jr. asked for this to be on the August 10<sup>th</sup> meeting, with TJ Lonergan attending to discuss an agreement.
- 5. Paving-Supervisor Due stated that Manager Nelson and Lindsey Manzi, Road Foreman, would like to get started on the scratch paving. Supervisor Due stated he has gone over the numbers with both Manager Nelson and Lindsey and they confident of completing the project for a savings of approximately \$22,000. There was a discussion on the material amounts and the time allotted for the project. Supervisor Pinter stated he is concerned due to the fact that Manager Nelson used PEMA numbers to arrive at the equipment cost of the project. **MOTION** by Supervisor Due for the scratch paving project to begin for a savings of approximately \$22,000, seconded by Supervisor Teel. Vote: 3-2. Supervisor DeFranco and Supervisor Pinter voted no.
- 6. Ball field at the Park-Supervisor Teel discussed the ball field at the Park and stated it is backwards. **MOTION** by Supervisor Teel to investigate the cost of changing the ball field around, seconded by Supervisor Due. Vote: 5-0.
- Resolutions-Chairman Bermingham Jr. stated he would like to draft resolutions for the following organizations/individuals that gave their time and generous donations to support the food distribution program, Dr. Raso, Girl Scout Troop #487, John and Peggy Post, Tuscarora and Lee McDonald. MOTION by Chairman Bermingham Jr. to draft the resolutions, seconded by Supervisor Pinter. Vote: 5-0.

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PART VI (Old Business)-None

PART VII (New Business)-None

At 8:30 pm there are currently 42 attending this virtual meeting.

Chairman Bermingham Jr. announced the Seniors Club will be a ZOOM meeting on Monday, August 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00 pm.

PART VIII (Public Comments received by phone call in during this Meeting)

Judy Henckel commented on her mistake of an incomplete Ethics form.

Richard Wilford-Hunt commented on a TJ Lonergan meeting on the Act 537 financials that did not take place. Supervisor Pinter stated that no fee was paid to TJ Lonergan. Richard commented on the RACP Grant. Chairman Bermingham Jr. stated that TJ Lonergan will be attending the August 10<sup>th</sup> meeting for further discussion.

PART IX (Executive Session)-Recess to Executive Session at 8:37 pm to discuss Legal matters. The meeting reconvened at 9:25 pm.

1. Legal-Chairman Bermingham Jr. stated that Legal matters were discussed in Executive Session and at this time no action will be taken.

PART X (Adjournment)-**MOTION** by Supervisor Teel to adjourn the meeting at 9:25 pm, seconded by Supervisor DeFranco. Vote: 5-0.

Respectfully Submitted by Cindy Beck-Recording Secretary

## **Facebook Comments**

- <u>Jim Potter</u> · 3:52:13 • •
- Jeffrey Coombs · 3:51:48 Potter wins
- <u>Todd Pysher</u> · 3:43:17 you might as well run in 2021 <u>Jim Potter</u> because you will be retired my the new term!
  - o Jim Potter · 3:51:23 hahahahahahahaha i called that one
- Jeffrey Coombs · 3:40:37 It's true
- Jim Potter · 3:40:41 Hats will be coming
- Todd Pysher 3:40:41 maybe next time they can put up a game of hangman while we wait
- Jim Potter 3:38:23 We went from 50 to 40 to 30 and now down to 19 viewers and when they come back live no comments or action to be taken
- Jeffrey Coombs · 3:38:13 I'll second that
- Jeffrey Coombs · 3:36:53 Ha ha ha.
- Todd Pysher · 3:37:22 hat
- Todd Pysher · 3:37:15 I want a Potter for supervisor hate!!
- Jim Potter · 3:35:39 342 days but im not counting
- Jim Potter 3:34:45 running for UMBT supervisor as soon as i retire
- Jeffrey Coombs · 3:34:15 Great leader, great communicator, all around great guy. In my opinion
- Jim Potter · 3:33:48 i aint scared
- Jim Potter · 3:33:28 OK im game
- Jeffrey Coombs · 3:32:21 Let's start with the fire chief in Portland!!
- Jim Potter · 3:31:41 OK its to quiet, lets start talking about something or someone □☺
- Michael Hudak · 3:26:54 What did I miss?
- Terry Abramson · 2:58:34 Hmmm small fine?
- Michael Laclair 2:55:00 What do they want to do to the baseball fields
- <u>Richard B Klingle Jr</u> · 2:53:22 And it probably took all day and not correctly done
- Renee Marie 2:48:17 "Let's right the wrong's" ..... yes this is the most important wrong to make right around here ... o.m.g.
- <u>Terry Abramson</u> · 2:46:00 Never swing into the sun

- Terry Abramson · 2:45:22 Guess he never played baseball
- Terry Abramson · 2:45:10 Judy Hinkles son put it backwards

- Richard B Klingle Jr · 2:41:15 Will Ed bet his job on it
- Richard B Klingle Jr · 2:39:46 It will come out to a lot more
- Jennifer Virgil Kasebier 2:25:30 How much an hour do we pay for Justin Coyle, and how much dose Ron get as well?
- Johnny Stoutland 2:18:47 This sounds very costly for a simple request, why?
- Marie Erkenbeck Stoutland · 2:15:14 Exported reports doesn't infringe on QB program rights.
- **Britney Weiss** 1:54:20 You want to test my well water, if its damaged due to all that filling in for the quary at capital are you planning to replacing our wells? What are your plans after you test them?
- **Britney Weiss** 1:52:25 What are you planning on North Broad Street near Ridge Road? There are markers in white.
- <u>Cori Eckman</u> · 1:52:27 Nice job Sharron!!!
- Pat Shoup 1:41:41 Thank you Sharon!!! Very well put!!!
- Jim Murphy 1:41:12 Thanks caller Sharon. I love your comments and agree 100%
- Tom Farrell 1:40:55 Great job Sharon !!!!!!
- Scott Mousley 1:39:45 Well spoken Speaker!
- Tom Farrell 48:35 Thanks...
- <u>Tom Farrell</u> · 40:40 NO SOUND !!!!!!!
  - Upper Mount Bethel Township 44:57 Sound just checked, it is working.

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- Jan Marie 25:10 Are there any other questions 5
- Gloria Jean Ansback 4:29 No video
- <u>April Cunningham</u> · 4:19 Now we can hear you
- <u>Patty Morgan-Dodge</u> · 3:43 No sound
- Jan Marie 3:32 No sound!

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- <u>April Cunningham</u> · 3:30 Can't hear anything
- Nancy Finan 3:08 We can't hear you. 😇

# 7-27-2020 UMBT BOS Special Meeting & Regular Meeting

#### **Post-Mortem Report and Comments**

Peak Live Viewers:	63
Minutes Viewed:	9,097
Meeting Comments:	49





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Georgia 0.0114%

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