

**Minutes - Board of Commissioners  
Upper Pottsgrove Township**

**May 1, 2006**

The meeting of the Board of Commissioners was held on Monday, May 1, 2006, at the Upper Pottsgrove Administrative Offices, 1409 Farmington Avenue, with Commissioners Dolan, Iatesta, Noll and Taylor present. Also present were Township Solicitor Charles D. Garner, Jr., Township Manager Michael Cotter and Township Secretary Cynthia Saylor. Mr. Taylor called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. There were 15 people and a Mercury Reporter present in the audience. Mrs. DeLena was absent.

**MOMENT OF SILENT PRAYER** - Mr. Taylor requested a moment of silence in honor of the men and women who have served and are currently serving our country in the armed forces.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** - Those assembled pledged allegiance to the flag.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

**CURT FREY - 1478 Lotus Drive** - Questioned the time frame for the restoration of the properties within the Greengate Development. Mr. Cotter stated the contractor responsible for doing the job has not provided the Township with the name of the subcontractor nor has he given us a start date. Mr. Frey questioned whether the delay has anything to do with the water project. Mr. Cotter advised that the Township does not have a signed agreement with Superior Water and noted the residents will receive notice prior to the work starting.

**CARL SPECHT - 150 Primrose Lane** - Expressed concern regarding the lawn restoration within the Greengate Development. Commissioner Taylor stated the contractor is obligated to fulfill the contract; however the Township will pursue legal remedies if need be.

**GILBERT DUNCAN - 72 Hanover Drive** - Expressed concern with regards to the installation of the water meters.

**ROBERT SLOSS - 2097 Needhammer Road** - Requested an update with regards to American Tower and the cell tower. Mr. Cotter stated he would contact a representative from American Tower tomorrow.

**MARIAN FREY - 1478 Lotus Drive** - Expressed her concern that she will be out of town during the latter part of the month and questioned a timeframe for the water project. Mr. Taylor stated the Township does not have a contract signed with Superior Water and there are still some questions and legal issues that need to be resolved. Mrs. Frey reiterated her husband's concerns with regards to the lawn restoration.

**CONNIE SWEIGART - 991 Farmington Avenue** - Expressed concern regarding which homes will be serviced by Pottstown as opposed to Superior Water.

**RESOLUTION #488** - A Resolution of Upper Pottsgrove Township deleting a permit fee for certain accessory structures and requiring a square foot assessment for accessory structures that are a minimum of two hundred (200) square feet. A motion by Dolan, seconded by Noll, to adopt Resolution #488. All aye votes.

**AUTHORIZATION TO DRAFT A CONSERVATION DESIGN ORDINANCE** - A motion by Noll, seconded by Iatesta, to reconfirm authorization for the Township Manager to begin drafting a Conservation Design Ordinance in conjunction with Natural Lands Trust. All aye votes. When Commissioner Noll questioned what committee would oversee the conservation design ordinance Mr. Taylor stated the Planning Commission.

**AUTHORIZATION TO DRAFT AN AMENDMENT TO THE EXISTING NOISE ORDINANCE** - Commissioner Noll expressed his concern with regards to enforcement of the ordinance. A motion by Iatesta, seconded by Dolan, to authorize staff to draft an amendment to the existing noise ordinance. Aye votes: Dolan, Iatesta and Taylor. Opposed: Noll. Motion carried.

**AUTHORIZATION TO DRAFT AN AMENDMENT TO THE EXISTING LIGHTING ORDINANCE** - A motion by Dolan, seconded by Iatesta, to authorize staff to draft an amendment to the existing lighting ordinance. All aye votes.

**AUTHORIZATION TO POST THE STREETS OF THE MAUGERS MILL SUBDIVISION WITH A 25 MPH MAXIMUM SPEED LIMIT** - A motion by Noll, seconded by Dolan, to authorize the Solicitor to draft an ordinance designating and posting 25 MPH speed limit signs within the Maugers Mill Estates Development. All aye votes. Mr. Cotter noted there would be no cost to the Township for the installation of the signs.

Commissioner Dolan requested an update on a request from Jon Downy for the installation of speed bumps within the Cherrytree Farms Development. Mr. Cotter noted this matter will be placed on the June meeting agenda.

**APPROVAL OF BILL LIST** - A motion by Noll, seconded by Dolan, to approve the Bill List dated May 1, 2006, in the amount of \$143,277.11. All aye votes. It was noted that there was a \$200 payment to the Pottstown Area Council of Governments for annual dues.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES - April 18, 2006** - A motion by Iatesta, seconded by Noll, to approve the minutes of the April 18, 2006, meeting as amended. All aye votes.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION** - At 7:45 P.M. Mr. Taylor reported the Board will meet in Executive Session to discuss matters of litigation and personnel with no decisions being made. The meeting reconvened at 10:30 P.M.

**ADJOURNMENT** - A motion by Iatesta, seconded by Dolan, to adjourn the meeting at 10:32 P.M. All aye votes.

Respectfully submitted,

Cynthia H. Saylor  
Township Secretary