

**UPPER OXFORD TOWNSHIP
JUNE 13, 2016**

Upper Oxford Township Board of Supervisors held their regular monthly meeting at the township building, 1185 Limestone Road, Russellville, PA on Monday, June 13, 2016 at 7:00 P.M.

PRESENT: Scott A. Rugen
Howard S. Reyburn
Charles Fleischmann

Jane Daggett, Secretary

OTHERS: Chris Coburn
Doris Klein
Denise Rugen
Tracy Keller
Fran Sharon
Karen and Bill Hovis
Mr. and Mrs. Gene Dryden

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Scott Rugen.

After the Salute to the Flag, Howard Reyburn led in prayer.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – Chris Coburn questioned the board on whether or not the park committee do anything about the lack of drainage at the rain garden. Scott reported the Greenweaver has been monitoring the site and punched holes in the soil to see if it will drain out as they want it to drain. They will be putting in seedlings and other plants according to their contract. The park members will help also.

MINUTES – Motion was made by Charles Fleischmann, seconded by Howard Reyburn and carried to approve the May 9, 2016 Regular Minutes and the May 23, 2016 Work Session Minutes with the following correction:

“AMBULANCE – Contracts were discussed. All surrounding townships must Agree on one kind of contract. Incentives or penalties were mentioned. The last regional meeting will discussed this matter also.”

Reyburn – Yea

Rugen – Yea

Fleischmann – Yea

DORIS KLEIN – resident voiced concerns to the Board about the property at 209 Old Limestone Road (Tax parcel #57-4-68) owned by Ronald Poole. Ms. Klein is worried that the basement/foundation which no structure remains above is hazardous and dangerous to any children that may wander onto the property and fall in, also high grass and weeds and the property is full of trash and debris. The Board of Supervisors will have the Zoning Officer assess the situation and send a letter to Mr. Poole regarding this. The board will also contact our Solicitor to see what their options may be.

GENE DRYDEN – Resident on Forest Manor Road voiced concerns regarding neighboring property owners shooting rifles. Mr. Dryden feels that it is a matter of safety and should not be allowed. Supervisor Rugen will do some research on this.

ZONING HEARING BOARD ALTERNATE AND AGRICULTURE AREA ADVISORY COMMITTEE – Both these positions will need to be filled since Nathan King will be moving from the township and will no longer be able to serve in these position.

LEVI GLICK – Motion was made by Charles Fleischmann, seconded by Howard Reyburn and carried to accept and grant and extension for the Levi Glick – 2 Lot Subdivision on Drapper Lane until June 15, 2017.

Reyburn – Yea

Rugen – Yea

Fleischmann – Yea

TOPP SUBDIVISION – No update on status of this plan.

GRIST MILL – The Board received an estimate from their engineer for materials only in the amount of \$24,300.00. It was noted that Mr. Heavlow has an attorney now. The Board stated that it would be acceptable if Ron Ragan forwarded his information on the estimate to Heavlow's attorney as a "courtesy only". The Home Owners Association would like to review the estimates also. They will commit after reviewing the amounts.

ZONING – Scott Rugen read the Zoning Officer's report for the month. The Township has received an unofficial notice that the application of E & H Conveyor has been withdrawn by the applicant's attorney.

ROAD REPORT – Scott Rugen read the road report for the month. Scott mentioned that the Township has interviewed four candidates last week and will make an offer for the road master's position in the near future. The roads scheduled for seal coating this year were reviewed by the Supervisors. Previous road master, Ricky Railing marked the roads that would be sealed-coated.

ENGINEER – The Supervisors would like the engineer to attend their next work session to discuss a Sewage and Maintenance Operation Plan and mandatory pumping regulations.

HISTORIC – Denise Rugen reported that things are moving along with the school house markers. Denise mentioned that the Historic Commission is looking into getting oval plates for historic homes. This would be the homeowner's expense. Denise reported that she had a discussion with Eugene Gagliardi who expressed an interest in purchasing Ken Miller's property in Homeville. Mr. Miller is not interested in selling to Mr. Gagliardi at this time. The Historic Commission is optimistic about the villages being eligible for the historic registry.

PAYMENT OF BILLS – Motion was made by Charles Fleischmann, seconded by Howard Reyburn and carried to approve the payment of bills in the amount of \$32,821.94 from the General Fund.

Reyburn – Yea

Rugen – Yea

Fleischmann – Yea

E & H CONVEYORS – ZONING HEARING – Ira Binder, attorney for the applicant has sent to the township's zoning hearing solicitor, a letter withdrawing the zoning application of E & H Conveyors.

ISLAMIC SOCIETY HEARING – The cost to move the hearing from the township building to the Oxford Area High School auditorium will be \$500.00. The Supervisors will send a check and application to the high school.

EAST NOTTINGHAM TOWNSHIP – Will be voting on whether or not to impose an Open Space Tax.

HYDRANT TAX – Was discussed by the Supervisors after receiving a call regarding this tax. The resident felt it was not fair that all residents do not share in this tax. Supervisors Rugen explained to the resident that only residents within a certain number of feet would share in payment of the tax and that the hydrants were owned by Chester Water Authority and the Township only rents the hydrants.

ADJOURNMENT – There being no further business, motion was made by Charles Fleischmann, seconded by Howard Reyburn and carried unanimously to adjourn at 8:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Daggett
Secretary

