

**LOWER MILFORD TOWNSHIP of LEHIGH COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
THURSDAY, JUNE 17, 2010 AT 7:30 P.M.
MINUTES**

Vice-Chair, Donna Wright called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m. Present were Supervisors William Roy and Michael Snovitch. Also present were Township Manager, Ellen Koplin; Township Solicitor, Emil Kantra; Police Chief, John Dondero and approximately 20 others.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said by all.

Regular Business:

Attorney Kantra conducted the reorganization of the Board of Supervisors. Reorganization is due to the recent appointment of Michael Snovitch to the Board of Supervisors who is finishing out the term vacated by Chairman Richard Harris.

MOTION was made by Snovitch to nominate Donna Wright as Chair. Roy seconded the motion.
Unanimous

MOTION was made by Wright to nominate William Roy as Vice-Chair. Snovitch seconded the motion.
Unanimous

Wright took over the meeting as Chair.

Public comments were accepted throughout the meeting.

MOTION was made by Roy to approve the minutes of the May 20, 2010 Board of Supervisors Meeting. Wright seconded the motion, Snovitch abstained. **Motion Carried**

MOTION was made by Roy to accept the Treasurers Report as of May 31, 2010 as follows:

- General Fund \$343,822
- Sewer Fund 769
- Fire Fund 144,907
- Capital Reserve Fund 179,374
- Road Projects Fund 353,005
- State Liquid Fuels Tax Account 144,329
- Developer Escrows (Non Twp. Funds) 5,017

Snovitch seconded the motion. Wright questioned the drop in the amount in Developer Escrows. Roy amended the motion correcting the amount of the Developer Escrow from the erroneous amount of \$5,017 to the corrected amount of \$53,017. Snovitch seconded the motion.
Unanimous

MOTION was made by Roy to pay the June 2010 bills. Snovitch seconded the motion.
Unanimous

Police Business:

The local Police Report was made available to the public.

Public Works Business:

The Public Works Report was made available to the public.

Zoning Business:

The Zoning Report was made available to the public.

Manager's Business:

Manager's report was made available to the public.

Subdivisions/Land Developments:

There were no new Subdivisions.

The Sewer Planning Module for Nace Subdivision was submitted for one new building lot. Nace Subdivision has received conditional final approval. Kortvely approved the modules which are part of the conditions they have to meet.

MOTION was made by Roy to approve the Sewer Planning Module for Nace Subdivision.

Snovitch seconded the motion.

Unanimous

Crossroads Subdivision requested an extension to install improvements which were to be completed in July 2010. It was made clear that this is an extension to complete the improvements but not to extend time limit when they will have to start over with the Planning Commission if the improvements have not been completed within 5 years.

MOTION was made by Roy to adopt Resolution 2010-13 Crossroads Subdivision Request for Extension to install improvements. Snovitch seconded the motion.

Unanimous

Fire Co. Report:

There was no quarterly report available as yet.

Library Report:

The Library Report was made available to the public.

Old Business:

None.

New Business:

Upper Milford Township is in the process of forming Regional Planning Committee and requested delegates be selected from each municipality.

MOTION was made by Snovitch to appoint William Roy and Ann Frey to the Regional Planning Committee. Wright seconded the motion.

Unanimous

At the request of Wright, Roth gave a synopsis of the Library budget.

Correspondence:

- Southern Lehigh Public Library Agendas, Minutes, Reports and Draft Budget
- Southern Lehigh Living Memorial Community Park Meeting Minutes

Announcements:

Fire Company Carnival – June 23 – 25 – Volunteers are needed

Citizens Comments:

Lloyd Ohl asked why cancellations are not advertised. Koplín replied that we are not required to advertise cancellations. Also, advertising submission time restraints and costs are factors to consider. The cancellation is posted on the website and on the door.

Police Chief Dondero gave an update on the QRS vehicle. It is painted and being installed with equipment some of which was obtained at a reduced cost by Officer Williams and some of which will be donated. The operating license is pending review by the Eastern PA Regional Council. Dr Zidel, the Medical Director for the Lower Milford Fire Co. Ambulance will be invited to be the Medical Director for the Emergency Service Unit.

Chief Dondero spoke on how the QRS will help the now existing ambulance service.

Gerald Howatt of Chestnut Hill Church Road brought up the issue he is having with Article 11 of the Zoning Ordinance. Attorney Kantra gave the background concerning Mr. Howatt's barn which is on the Lower Milford Township Historic Inventory. Wright stated that the Zoning Ordinance is for everyone to follow and that the Historical Commission will address his concerns.

Mr. Howatt questioned the adoption of the Historic registry and it's creation. Wright explained that the structures age, 50 yrs or older, and historic value were considered for placement on the Historic Registry. Howatt also questioned how one could challenge the Zoning Ordinance. He was directed to see the Zoning Officer, Richard Kinsey.

Jean Schoch questioned the absence of the State Police Report. Dondero explained that he has not been in contact with the new Troop Comander but will contact him to see if he will supply the report.

Wright adjourned the meeting at 8:22 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ellen L. Koplin
Township Secretary