

UPPER PROVIDENCE TOWNSHIP
DELAWARE COUNTY
BUSINESS MEETING
April 9, 2020

The Upper Providence Township Council held the regularly scheduled monthly Business meeting on Thursday, April 9, 2020 via teleconference. Chairperson Beth Glassman called the business meeting to order at 7:30 PM.

Ms. Glassman announced that an executive session was held via teleconference prior to this meeting.

Roll Call

Present: Ms. Beth Glassman, Mr. Elgin Akarsoy, Mr. Kevin Else, Ms. Kathy Heupler and Mr. Ray Wilson. Also in attendance, Mr. Gregory Lebold, Township Manager, Mr. Carl Ewald, Township Solicitor and Ms. Kim McCloskey, Administrative Assistant.

Awards, Presentations and Announcements

None

Public Forum

Todd DiGuiseppe from 2341 Martingale Road questioned why the Township was considering the installation of traffic signals. Mr. DiGuiseppe was informed that the traffic signals were for pedestrian crossing and not traffic control. Mr. Kelly informed Council that the Township has been awarded a multimodal grant from PaDOT in the amount of \$100,000.00, which would address the original location under the grant application at Sandy Bank Road. It was recommended that the other two areas of concern on 252 be applied for to see if any additional funding could be obtained.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Akarsoy made a motion, seconded by Mr. Wilson, to approve the March 19, 2020 Regular Council Meeting minutes.

Mr. Akarsoy	Yes	Mr. Wilson	Yes
Mr. Else	Yes	Ms. Glassman	Yes
Ms. Heupler	Yes		

Motion approved 5-0

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Akarsoy made a motion, seconded by Ms. Heupler, to approve the March 26, 2020 Business and Committees Meeting minutes.

Mr. Akarsoy	Yes	Mr. Wilson	Yes
Mr. Else	Abstain	Ms. Glassman	Yes
Ms. Heupler	Yes		

Motion approved 4-0

Municipal Boards, Authorities, Commissions and Committees

The Sewer Authority vacancy and expired position were discussed.

Zoning, Subdivision and Land Development

None

Old Business

None

New Business

Voucher List – March 2020

Mr. Akarsoy made a motion, seconded by Mr. Else, to approve the Voucher list for March 2020 in the amount of \$397,256.21.

Mr. Akarsoy	Yes	Mr. Wilson	Yes
Mr. Else	Yes	Ms. Glassman	Yes
Ms. Heupler	Yes		

Motion approved 5-0

Tax Collection Discount Period Extension

Mr. Akarsoy made a motion, seconded by Mr. Wilson, to approve extending the discount period on the Township real estate tax collections to April 30, 2020.

Mr. Akarsoy	Yes	Mr. Wilson	Yes
Mr. Else	Yes	Ms. Glassman	Yes
Ms. Heupler	Yes		

Motion approved 5-0

Farnum Road – Tree Removal Payment

Mr. Akarsoy made a motion, seconded by Mr. Wilson, to approve payment for tree work on Farnum Road in the amount of \$30,000.00 to Carney Tree Company, as recommended by the Township Engineer.

Mr. Akarsoy	Yes	Mr. Wilson	Yes
Mr. Else	Yes	Ms. Glassman	Yes
Ms. Heupler	Yes		

Motion approved 5-0

Resolutions 2020-14; 2020-15 & 2020-16 – Traffic Signals

Mr. Akarsoy made a motion to approve Resolution 2020-14 to authorize the Township Engineer to submit an application for a traffic signal at Sandy Bank Road and Route 252.

The Motion did not get a second and Mr. Akarsoy withdrew the Motion. There was discussion on the fact that these Resolutions are not emergencies. Ms. Heupler noted that the Resolutions were unprecedented and inconsistent with what Council has required on previous traffic calming requests. The three proposed Resolutions were tabled.

Demolition of 613 Summer Street

Mr. Akarsoy made a motion, seconded by Ms. Heupler, to approve the bid for demolition of the fire damaged structure at 613 Summer Street to BRB Contractors, Inc., in the amount of \$9,500.00 base bid and \$10,500.00 base bid and alternate as recommended by the Township Engineer.

Mr. Akarsoy	Yes	Mr. Wilson	Yes
Mr. Else	Yes	Ms. Glassman	Yes
Ms. Heupler	Yes		

Motion approved 5-0

Engineers Report

Mr. Kelly advised that Farnum Road is still being worked under emergency status and the wall has been completed. The OCI portion of the project will start next week. Removing the paving portion of the contract and putting it in the Road Program was discussed. It was decided to keep the paving under the contract and have the road completed as soon as possible.

Mr. Kelly advised that a scope of work for the Road Program and it can be voted on at the Committees meeting for him to solicit bids and move forward.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Ms. Glassman adjourned the meeting. The motion was approved by unanimous voice vote and the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Gregory C. Lebold
Township Secretary

Beth Glassman
Council Chairperson