

UPPER PROVIDENCE TOWNSHIP
DELAWARE COUNTY
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
April 14, 2022

The Upper Providence Township Council held the regularly scheduled monthly Business meeting on Thursday, April 14, 2022 at the Upper Providence Township Building. Chairman Elgin Akarsoy called the business meeting to order at 7:31 PM. Mr. Akarsoy led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

Present: Mr. Elgin Akarsoy, Chairman, Mr. Kevin Else, Vice Chair and Ms. Christen Rexing. Also in attendance, Mr. Don Vymazal, Township Manager, Mr. Carl Ewald, Township Solicitor, Mr. J.P. Kelly, Township Engineer, and Walt Omlor, Constable.

No Present: Mr. Tom McFadden, Ms. Marsha Peterson and Ms. Kim McCloskey, Adm. Assistant.

Awards, Presentations and Announcements

Larry Elias and Yasmin Dolan from Heartland was present to discuss credit card processing for the Township. They provided an informational packet and discussed how they operate.

Public Forum

June Morris, 47 Shady Hill Road – questioned a possible settlement regarding the “tiny house” on Shady Hill Road.

Addition of Items

None

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Else made a motion, seconded by Ms. Rexing, to approve the March 10, 2022 Regular Council Meeting minutes.

Mr. Else	Yes		
Ms. Rexing	Yes	Mr. Akarsoy	Yes

Motion approved 3-0

Mr. Else made a motion, seconded by Ms. Rexing, to approve the March 24, 2022 Council Committees Meeting minutes.

Mr. Else	Yes		
Ms. Rexing	Yes	Mr. Akarsoy	Yes

Motion approved 3-0

Municipal Boards, Authorities, Commissions and Committees

No vacancies.

Zoning, Subdivision and Land Development

Lacey Faber, the new owner of 57 Kirk Lane wants to put a playset on their property. They live on a corner lot and per our Zoning Code, they have two front yards with a required 35' front yard setback. Council will discuss the interpretations of the Code and possibly looking into considering amending the Ordinance.

Unfinished Business

None

New Business

Voucher List for March 2022

Ms. Else made a motion, seconded by Mr. Akarsoy, to approve the voucher list for March 2022 in the amount of \$497,841.58.

Mr. Else	Yes		
Ms. Rexing	Yes	Mr. Akarsoy	Yes

Motion approved 3-0

Blessing Settlement – Tax Assessment Appeal

Ms. Else made a motion, seconded by Mr. Akarsoy, to accept settlement of the tax assessment appeal for folio 35-00-01205-01. Owned by Warren and Suzanne Blessing, as recommended by the appraiser.

Mr. Else	Yes		
Ms. Rexing	Yes	Mr. Akarsoy	Yes

Motion approved 3-0

Resolution 2022-18 – Public Works Hire - Freemont

Ms. Else made a motion, seconded by Ms. Rexing, to adopt Resolution 2022-18, to hire Justin Freemont to the position of full time Public Works Laborer effective April 25, 2022 in accordance with the Township's Home Rule Charter, Codified Ordinances and the Non-Uniformed Union Contract, at a salary in accordance with said contract.

Mr. Else	Yes		
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Ms. Rexing Yes Mr. Akarsoy Yes

Motion approved 3-0

Resolution 2022-19 – Public Works Hire - Ryan

Ms. Else made a motion, seconded by Mr. Akarsoy, to adopt Resolution 2022-19, to hire Sean Ryan to the position of full time Public Works Laborer effective April 25, 2022 in accordance with the Township's Home Rule Charter, Codified Ordinances and the Non-Uniformed Union Contract, at a salary in accordance with said contract.

Mr. Else Yes
Ms. Rexing Yes Mr. Akarsoy Yes

Motion approved 3-0

Penncrest AM Prom Donation

Ms. Else made a motion, seconded by Mr. Akarsoy, to approve a donation to the Penncrest AM Prom Committee in the amount of \$250.00, which was NOT recommended by the Recreation Board.

Discussion: The Penncrest AM Prom Committee has asked for a donation every year for the AM Prom and for the last five years have been given \$250.00. They inquired why it was not recommended by the Recreation Commission. Council made the decision to continue supporting the event.

Mr. Else Yes
Ms. Rexing Yes Mr. Akarsoy Yes

Motion approved 3-0

Waiving SDLD Application Fees - MLL

Mr. Else made a Motion, seconded by Mr. Akarsoy, to approve waiving the Subdivision and Land Development Review Permit fee for the Media Little League lighting project at Springton Lake Middle School.

Mr. Else Yes
Ms. Rexing Yes Mr. Akarsoy Yes

Motion approved 3-0

Resignation – Environmental Commission - Seufort

Mr. Else made a Motion, seconded by Ms. Rexing, to approve the resignation of Lars Seufort

of the 1st District from his first term on the Environmental Commission and to reappointment to the Alternate Position of the Commission with said term to expire on December 31, 2024.

Mr. Else	Yes		
Ms. Rexing	Yes	Mr. Akarsoy	Yes

Motion approved 3-0

Appointment – Environmental Commission - Giambra

Mr. Else made a Motion, seconded by Ms. Rexing to appoint Kristin Giambra of the 3rd District to fill the unexpired term of Lars Seufort on the Environmental Commission, with said term to expire on December 31, 2023; at which time she will be eligible to be appointed to her first full 4 year term.

Mr. Else	Yes		
Ms. Rexing	Yes	Mr. Akarsoy	Yes

Motion approved 3-0

ARP Resolution

Mr. Vymazal advised Council about the ARP Resolution and the possibility of needing same. He is awaiting more information and will have it added to an Agenda when ready.

2022 Road Program

Mr. Else made a Motion, seconded by Mr. Akarsoy, to approve the 2022 Road Program and to authorize the Township Engineer to advertise for bids to be received at the May 12, 2022 Council Meeting.

Discussion: Mr. Kelly advised that we received \$311,950.00 from AQUA for road restoration from the work they have been doing on water mains. They are providing the funds after negotiations which takes care of their obligation for the trench road restoration. The Township typically spends approximately \$200,000.00 per year for road maintenance. The best use of the funds this year is to pick the worst roads and resurface them from curb to curb and others only half. The remainder can be done next year.

Mr. Else	Yes		
Ms. Rexing	Yes	Mr. Akarsoy	Yes

Motion approved 3-0

Addition to the Agenda

None

Council's Administrative Reports

Township Manager:

- April Newsletter will go out on 4/18 with many great topics
- The library book sale is Friday April 23rd

Engineers Report

JP Kelly issued his report:

- 2022 Road Program – the scope of work has been submitted for approval
- School crossing flasher contract – a notice of award has been issued; supplies have been ordered but they will not be in until November

Adjournment

There being no further business, Mr. Akarsoy made a Motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was approved by unanimous voice vote and the meeting was adjourned at 8:35 PM.

Don Vymazal
Township Secretary

Elgin Akarsoy
Council Chairperson