

UPPER PROVIDENCE TOWNSHIP  
DELAWARE COUNTY  
COUNCIL BUSINESS MEETING  
January 27, 2026

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The Upper Providence Township Council held the regularly scheduled monthly Business meeting on Tuesday, January 27, 2026, at the Upper Providence Township Building. Chairperson Ms. Peterson called the business meeting to order at 7:01 pm and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Roll Call**

Present: Mr. Akarsoy, Ms. Peterson, Mr. Steinberg and Ms. Scheuerman. Also in attendance was Mr. Lubert Township Manager, Mr. Ewald, Solicitor, Police Chief, Ms. McCloskey, Administrative Liaison, A. Murthy, Junior Council.

Not Present: Ms. Merritt

**Public Forum**

1. Cynthia Sabatini – UPT resident – Thanked the public works for all the work they put in during the last snow event – they did a wonderful job; interested in learning about the \$600,000 multi-modal grant; Municipal complex agenda items
2. Bob Craft – UPT Resident – lawn equipment proposed ban; he would like a recycling program for lithium batteries (there are 4 HHW collections every year run by the County); he does not like the use of the salt on the roads for the ice and snow; classified wetlands

**Awards, Presentations and Announcements**

- Vale and Abby from Environmental Commission were present to do a presentation on the 2025 accomplishments and 2026 goals
- The Township has been awarded a \$604,000.00 multi-modal grant for a connecting sidewalk infrastructure from Stevenson's Auto to the new Sunoco, to include filling in gaps, ADA curb cuts, etc.
- Chris McFadden from Media Little League was present to talk about two initiatives this year, which is their 75<sup>th</sup> year.
  - They are starting a challenger league for players with disabilities
  - They are working toward ADA compliance and are looking for more grants for same. They want to pave the upper parking lot and put walkways between the fields;
  - They have a large list of repairs and updates to complete and need to connect to public sewer
  - Discussions were had about adding Upper Providence to the name of the League

- Mr. Luber advised that the Road Crew was out for 36 hours during the snowstorm. We had very few complaints. The guys did a great job.

#### **Municipal Boards Commission and Authorities**

- Two openings on the Sewer Authority in the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Districts
- Once opening on the Environmental Commission – this will be filled tonight
- Michael Geise introduced himself as an applicant to the Environmental Commission and provided his background. He spoke about his service project – interest in birds

#### **Environmental Commission Appointment**

Mr. Akarsoy made a motion, seconded by Ms. Scheuerman, to appoint Michael Geise from the 1<sup>st</sup> District to his first full 4-year term on the Environmental Commission with said term ending on December 31, 2029, at which time he will be eligible for a second term if so desired.

Mr. Akarsoy	Yes	Mr. Steinberg	Yes
Ms. Scheuerman	Yes	Ms. Peterson	Yes

Motion approved 4-0

#### **Unfinished Business**

None

#### **New Business**

##### **Voucher List**

Mr. Akarsoy made a motion, seconded by Ms. Peterson, to approve the voucher list in the amount of \$560,282.74.

Mr. Akarsoy	Yes	Mr. Steinberg	Yes
Ms. Scheuerman	Yes	Ms. Peterson	Yes

Motion approved 4-0

#### **Municipal Complex Design Option Selection**

Mr. Luber presented the municipal complex concepts to new members of Council. He went over the downfalls of the administrative and police side and how we are at capacity and just don't have adequate room. There was a space needs study completed and they came back with 6 options. He will work on a pros and cons list for each option.

#### **1401 N. Providence Rd Survey**

Mr. Akarsoy made a motion, seconded by Ms. Peterson, to authorize the Township Engineer to conduct the following for the new public works facility at 1401 N. Providence Road:

- Geo-Tech investigation
- Boundary Survey
- percolation test
- Phase 1 environmental review
- Prepare sitework/stormwater Plan

Mr. Akarsoy	Yes	Mr. Steinberg	Yes
Ms. Scheuerman	Yes	Ms. Peterson	Yes

Motion approved 4-0

#### **Letter of Understanding - EMS**

Mr. Akarsoy made a motion, seconded by Ms. Peterson, to approve the Letter of Understanding (LOU) to work with the DCED and local municipalities, exploring the concept of reorganization of EMS services.

Mr. Akarsoy	Yes	Mr. Steinberg	Yes
Ms. Scheuerman	Yes	Ms. Peterson	Yes

Motion approved 4-0

#### **RFP for Architectural Services**

Tabled

#### **Electrical Supplier**

Tabled

#### **Weldon Street Repaving Contribution**

Mr. Akarsoy made a motion, seconded by Ms. Scheuerman, to accept the contribution offer from Rockwell Orange LLC in the amount of \$3,300.00 toward a portion of the base repair, milling, and paving restoration of Weldon Ave associated with the South Ave and Orange St Subdivision.

Mr. Akarsoy	Yes	Mr. Steinberg	Yes
Ms. Scheuerman	Yes	Ms. Peterson	Yes

Motion approved 4-0

#### **Snow Emergency Declaration**

Mr. Akarsoy made a motion, seconded by Mr. Steinberg to approve the Snow Emergency Declaration made to cover the snowstorm beginning on January 25, 2026.

Mr. Akarsoy	Yes	Mr. Steinberg	Yes
Ms. Scheuerman	Yes	Ms. Peterson	Yes

Motion approved 4-0

The next Council meetings are scheduled for February 10 and February 24, 2026 at 7:00 pm.

**Adjournment**

There being no further business, Ms. Peterson made a Motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was approved by unanimous voice vote, and the meeting was adjourned at 8:41 PM.

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Barry Luber  
Township Secretary

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Marsha Peterson  
Council Chairperson