

UPPER PROVIDENCE TOWNSHIP
DELAWARE COUNTY
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
May 11, 2023

The Upper Providence Township Council held the regularly scheduled monthly Business meeting on Thursday, May 11, 2023 at the Upper Providence Township Building. Chairperson Elgin Akarsoy called the business meeting to order at 7:30 PM. Mr. Akarsoy led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

Present: Mr. Elgin Akarsoy, Ms. Christen Rexing, Vice Chair, Mr. Kevin Else and Mr. Tom McFadden. Also in attendance, Mr. Don Vymazal, Township Manager, Ms. Mareile Watson, Assistant Township Manager, Carl Ewald, Township Solicitor, Mr. J.P. Kelly, Township Engineer, Ms. Kim McCloskey, Adm. Assistant, and Walt Omlor, Constable.

Not Present: Ms. Marsha Peterson

Awards, Presentations and Announcements

Representatives from AJ Blosenski, Jim Clark, Business Manager and Dave Chico, Operations Supervisor, updated Council on the steps that they have been taking after discussions with the Township about missed pickups and other issues. Mr. Chico has been assigned to our Township with a pickup truck to do any follow up if there have been any missed pickups due to road closures, etc. He also now checks in daily with the Township to see if there have been any calls or concerns. Aqua ad PECO have been doing major work in our Township and the Township is trying to coordinate with all parties.

Public Forum

- Leon Ostrowski, 404 Meetinghouse Lane – was present to discuss trash /recycling issues;
- Chuck Ferraro, 806 Valley View, asked if al residents in the 2nd District had been notified about the voting location change. That is and was done through the County via US mail. It was also on our website and SM outlets as well as posted at the old polling location.

Approval of Minutes

Ms. Rexing made a motion, seconded by Mr. McFadden, to approve the April 13, 2023 Regular Council Business Meeting minutes.

Mr. Else

Yes

Ms. Rexing

Yes

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| Mr. McFadden | Yes | Mr. Akarsoy | Yes |
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Motion approved 4-0

Ms. Rexing made a motion, seconded by Mr. Else, to approve the April 27, 2023 Council Business and Committees Meeting minutes.

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| Mr. Else | Yes | Ms. Rexing | Yes |
| Mr. McFadden | Yes | Mr. Akarsoy | Yes |

Motion approved 4-0

Municipal Boards, Authorities, Commissions and Committees

Vacancies on Commission and Boards were discussed.

Zoning, Subdivision and Land Development

None

Unfinished Business

None

New Business

Voucher List for April 2023

Ms. Rexing made a motion, seconded by Mr. Akarsoy, to approve the voucher list for April 2023 in the amount of \$524,545.11.

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| Mr. Else | Yes | Ms. Rexing | Yes |
| Mr. McFadden | Yes | Mr. Akarsoy | Yes |

Motion approved 4-0

Suspend Summer Council Business & Committees Meetings

Ms. Rexing made a Motion, seconded by Mr. Akarsoy, to suspend the June, July and August Council Business and Committees meetings.

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| Mr. Else | Yes | Ms. Rexing | Yes |
| Mr. McFadden | Yes | Mr. Akarsoy | Yes |

Motion approved 4-0

Resolution 2023-18 – Ending Resolution 2020-13 – CIVID Disaster

Ms. Rexing made a Motion, seconded by Mr. Else, to approve Resolution 2023-18, ending the

COVID-19 Disaster Emergency Declaration – Resolution 2020-13.

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| Mr. Else | Yes | Ms. Rexing | Yes |
| Mr. McFadden | Yes | Mr. Akarsoy | Yes |

Motion approved 4-0

Ordinance 549 - Announcement

Corrections/clarifications to Section 1256.04 – Use Standards.

Discussion: This is related to fences heights and types and clarification for major streets.

Stop Sign Fines Signage

Ms. Rexing made a Motion, seconded by Mr. Akarsoy, to approve he purchase of 12 signs to be placed below current stop signs showing the fee for a rolling stop sign, not to exceed \$200.00.

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| Mr. Else | Yes | Ms. Rexing | Yes |
| Mr. McFadden | Yes | Mr. Akarsoy | Yes |

Motion approved 4-0

Resolution 2023-16 – Hybrid Meeting Policy

Ms. Rexing made a Motion, seconded by Mr. Akarsoy, to approve Resolution 2023-16, the Hybrid Meeting Policy as presented.

Discussion: Mr. Vymazal explained the process for hybrid meetings.

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| Mr. Else | Yes | Ms. Rexing | Yes |
| Mr. McFadden | Yes | Mr. Akarsoy | Yes |

Motion approved 4-0

Resolution 2023-17 – RTFC Utility Improvements

Ms. Rexing made a Motion, seconded by Mr. Else, to approve Resolution 2023-17, allocating ARPA funding in the amount of \$50,000.00 to the Rose Tree Fire Company to replace a legacy back-up generator and furnace.

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| Mr. Else | Yes | Ms. Rexing | Yes |
| Mr. McFadden | Yes | Mr. Akarsoy | Yes |

Motion approved 4-0

Block Party - Woodcliffe

Withdrawn

2023 Road Program

Ms. Rexing made a motion, seconded by Mr. Else, to approve the 2023 Road Program bid from Innovative Construction Services, Inc., in the amount of \$502,970.25, as recommended by the Township Engineer.

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| Mr. Else | Yes | Ms. Rexing | Yes |
| Mr. McFadden | Yes | Mr. Akarsoy | Yes |

Motion approved 4-0

Payment Authorization to Dandelions

Ms. Rexing made a motion, seconded by Mr. Akarsoy, payment to Dandelions Digital for work related to the 2023 Community Day Campaign, not to exceed \$2,015.00.

Discussion: This amount would come out of the Community Day account.

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| Mr. Else | Yes | Ms. Rexing | Yes |
| Mr. McFadden | Yes | Mr. Akarsoy | Yes |

Motion approved 4-0

Sewer Authority At Large Appointment

Ms. Rexing made a motion, seconded by Mr. McFadden, to appoint J. Brian O'Neill of the 1st District to fill the vacant at large position on the Sewer Authority. Said term will expire, December 31, 2023, at which time the appointee can apply for his first full 5 year term on the Authority.

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| Mr. Else | Yes | Ms. Rexing | Yes |
| Mr. McFadden | Yes | Mr. Akarsoy | Yes |

Motion approved 4-0

Council's Administrative Reports

Mr. Vymazal advised that we are having some pictures from the Township buried in a time capsule at the Veterans Memorial in Edgemont this Saturday. Said capsule will be opened in 50 years.

Engineers Report

Nothing additional to the Road Program.

An executive is being held immediately following the meeting to discuss personnel matters.

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 8:24 PM.

Don Vymazal
Township Secretary

Elgin Akarsoy
Council Chairperson