

UPPER PROVIDENCE TOWNSHIP
DELAWARE COUNTY
BUSINESS MEETING
July 8, 2021

The Upper Providence Township Council held the regularly scheduled monthly Business meeting on Thursday, July 8, 2021, at the Upper Providence Township Building. Chairperson Beth Glassman called the business meeting to order at 7:30 PM.

Roll Call

Present: Ms. Beth Glassman, Chairperson, Mr. Elgin Akarsoy, Vice Chair, Mr. Kevin Else and Mr. Ray Wilson. Also in attendance, Mr. Gregory Lebold, Township Manager, Mr. Carl Ewald, Township Solicitor, Mr. J.P. Kelly, Township Engineer and Ms. Kim McCloskey, Adm. Assistant.

Not Present: Kathy Heupler

Awards, Presentations and Announcements

None

Public Forum

Donna and Charles Ferraro – 806 Valley View Road – asked Council for guidance regarding a neighbor’s tree that has branches that hit the PECO lines and knocks the power out to 8 homes on a regular basis. Mr. Lebold informed the Ferraro’s that he would reach out to PECO and ask for their assistance.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Akarsoy made a motion, seconded by Mr. Wilson, to approve the June 10, 2021 Regular Council Meeting minutes.

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

Motion approved 4-0

Municipal Boards, Authorities, Commissions and Committees

There is one expired position on the Sewer Authority in the 3rd District.

Zoning, Subdivision and Land Development

DiFabio’s – 1243 N. Providence Road - Addition

Mr. Akarsoy made a motion, seconded by Mr. Wilson, to approve the preliminary/final SDLD application of DiFabio’s at 1243 N. Providence Road for an addition as recommended by the Township Planning Commission with conditions.

Mr. Akarsoy	Yes	Mr. Wilson	Yes
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Mr. Else	Yes	Ms. Glassman	Yes
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Motion approved 4-0

Unfinished Business

None

New Business

Appointment of Finance Director

Mr. Akarsoy made a motion, seconded by Mr. Else, to appoint Joseph Egan as Finance Director, subject to successfully passing a background investigation, a drug screen and the ability to be bonded.

Mr. Wilson questioned the salary for this position and the overall process of this hiring. There was discussion on whether or not it should be made public.

Mr. Akarsoy	Yes	Mr. Wilson	No
Mr. Else	Yes	Ms. Glassman	Yes

Motion approved 3-1

Voucher List for June 2021

Mr. Akarsoy made a motion, seconded by Mr. Else, to approve the voucher list for June 2021 in the amount of \$407,527.33.

Mr. Wilson questioned the voucher for the Zoning Hearing Board expenses regarding 44 Shady Hill Road and whether the Township could recover any of the expenses incurred.

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

Motion approved 4-0

Wawa Escrow Release Three (3)

Mr. Akarsoy made a motion, seconded by Mr. Wilson, to approve escrow release three - Final in the amount of \$34,489.28 as recommended by the Township Engineer.

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

Motion approved 4-0

Donation – Penncrest High School Band

Mr. Akarsoy made a motion, seconded by Mr. Else, to approve a donation to Penncrest High School Band in the amount of \$250.00.

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

Motion approved 4-0

Recreation Board Resignation

Mr. Akarsoy made a motion, seconded by Mr. Wilson, to approve the resignation of Richard Kron from the Recreation Board.

Mr. Lebold informed Council that the resignation of Mr. Kron will result in no representative from the 5th District and that anyone interested in becoming a member of the Recreation Board should contact Mr. Wilson or Mr. Lebold.

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

Motion approved 4-0

Council’s Administrative Reports

None

Engineers Report

- The 2021 Road Program was awarded to AF Damon. The work should begin in early August.
- Council needs to take action on the bid for the school crossing flasher at Sand Bank and Providence. Mr. Kelly has tried to find the additional funds needed for the project to no avail. Council agreed to ask Walden school for help with the additional \$17,560.00. Mr. Akarsoy will reach out to them. A decision must be made at the August meeting.
- Andrews Circle repair work – once bids are opened, they will be presented to Council for consideration.
- Manchester Avenue sidewalks – Media has offered \$5,000.00 toward the project and we will need PenDOT permits.

Ordinance Announcement – Finance Department

Mr. Ewald announced an Ordinance to add Chapter 258 to the Code of the Township to create the Finance Department and the Position of Finance Director.

Manager's Report

None

Adjournment

There being no further business, Ms. Glassman made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was approved by unanimous voice vote and the meeting was adjourned at 8:03 PM.

Gregory C. Lebold
Township Secretary

Beth Glassman
Council Chairperson