

**Upper Paxton Township Board of Supervisors  
Regular Monthly Meeting  
March 13, 2018**

Those in attendance: Ron Hepner, John Orr, and Robert Stoner, Supervisors; Pete Howland, Solicitor; Luanna Zimmerman, Secretary/Treasurer, Justin Hoover, and Steve Boyer.

The regular meeting was called to order by Chairman Hepner at 7:00 p.m. All present recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

**Public Comments:** Steve Boyer, with UPMC Pinnacle Life Team, provided the Board with information on how Life Team assists the local ambulance companies. He also gave information on the frequency that Life Team is used by residents of Upper Paxton Township and surrounding communities. Boyer said that he will provide the Township with 2018 membership applications for residents that have not received them in the mail. The applications will be available for residents to pick up at the Township building during regular business hours.

**Approval of Minutes and Financial Report:** Minutes of the February 28<sup>th</sup> monthly meeting were reviewed. Robert Stoner made a motion to approve the meeting minutes. Second by John Orr. With all in favor, motion carried. Luanna Zimmerman presented the February financial report and a list of bills to be paid. Upon review of these documents, John Orr made a motion to approve the financial documents and pay the bills. Second by Robert Stoner. All in favor, motion carried.

**Old Business:**

1. The Board directed Solicitor Howland to prepare an ordinance to match the Millersburg Borough ordinance for Act 172 (Volunteer Fire Fighter Tax Relief). John Orr stated that he feels that this is an unfunded expense by the legislature that is being passed on to local government.
2. Three bids for stormwater management at the Township site were received. They are as follows:
  - Latshaw Landscaping - \$13,000.00
  - Maurer Excavating - \$8,890.00
  - Grosser Excavating - \$8,830.56John Orr made a motion to award the Township Site Stormwater Management Project to Grosser Excavating in the amount of \$8,830.56. Second by Ron Hepner. With all in favor, motion carried.
3. Four bids for the Landfill Road Streambank Stabilization Project were received. They are as follows:
  - Farhat Excavating - \$170,380.00
  - Grosser Excavating - \$84,838.60
  - Flyway Excavating - \$178,735.00
  - Workforce Construction - \$105,500.00Robert Stoner made a motion to award the Landfill Road Streambank Stabilization Project to Grosser Excavating in the amount of \$84,838.60. Second by John Orr. All in favor, motion carried.

4. Ron Hepner informed the Board that he had spoken with Millersburg Borough Manager Chris McGann regarding the school speed limit signs/lights. One of these lights is located in Upper Paxton Township. McGann will apply for a grant in June of 2018 to replace these signs/lights.
5. Employee Health Insurance was discussed. The current policy expires on 4-30-18. It was decided that the Board will discuss information given to them by Nate Weams of Deibler, Straub & Troutman and make a decision regarding the renewal by the 3-28-18 Township meeting.

### **New Business:**

1. Luanna Zimmerman told the Board that she had spoken with Brooke Echevarria, Grants Coordinator for the Dauphin County Gaming Advisory Board. Brooke confirmed that Upper Paxton Township was awarded \$85,000 for the 2017-2018 grant cycle.
2. John Orr recommended to the Board that an area at the Township site be earmarked a repurpose area during the Spring Clean-up event scheduled for April 14, 2018. Residents, who no longer have use for an item, may place the item in this area for other residents to claim. These items will be available until the morning of 4-16-18.
3. Ron Hepner informed the Board that roadcrew member John Hoffman asked if he could be employed to do mowing/yard maintenance at the Township site and parks for the 2018 spring/summer season. This would be in addition to his regular job on the roadcrew. Solicitor Howland said that he will investigate this to find out if Hoffman could do this as a private contractor for the Township.
4. Long term improvements for the Kocher-Hottenstein Glen were discussed. Pennington Tree Service will be removing approximately 227 dead trees. John Orr recommended capturing water and redirecting it to eliminate wet spots in the area that are caused by natural springs. Orr said that this will improve the ease of mowing the area and make the park more usable for the public. Orr said that he will identify and measure these wet spots.

### **Public Comments:** None

With no further business on the agenda, Ron Hepner moved to adjourn. Robert Stoner seconded the motion. With all in favor, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Luanna Zimmerman,  
Secretary/Treasurer