Upper Paxton Township Board of Supervisors Regular Monthly Meeting May 8, 2013

Those in attendance: Ron Hepner, John Orr and Joseph Snyder, Supervisors; Betty Warfel, Secretary/Treasurer; Peter Howland, Esquire; Steve Erdman, Roadmaster; Truett Keener, Ethan Prouse, James Fulkroad, Rachel Millard, Carly Smith, Rachel Dietrich, Jacob Dietrich, Kayla Snyder, Dawson Schlegel, Alex Strine, Holden Lepore, Travis Lamereaux, Dylan Carl, Dalton Messner, Ray Marks, Wendy Keim, William Mink, Becci Jury, Austin Wolfgang, and Marissa Hines.

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

<u>Public Comments</u>: Wendy Keim, a resident of Nelson Terrace, requested that the 25 mph street sign be removed from the end of her cul de sac. Chairman Hepner directed Roadmaster Erdman to look at the sign's location. If Erdman determines that the sign is unnecessary, it will be removed.

<u>Approval of Minutes:</u> Minutes of the April 10th monthly meeting and the April 24th workshop meeting were reviewed by the Supervisors. John Orr made a motion to accept the minutes of the April minutes including the correction that the term "weed whacker" be changed to "tamper". Second by Joe Snyder. All in favor, motion carried.

<u>Financial Report:</u> Treasurer Warfel presented a monthly financial statement and list of bills for payment. Following review of the treasurer's report, Joe Snyder made a motion to pay all the Township's bills and approve the treasurer's report. John Orr seconded the motion. With all in favor, motion carried.

Old Business:

<u>Proposed Amendment to the Open Burning Ordinance</u>: A notice stating the Board's intention to adopt an Amendment to the Open Burning Ordinance enacted 12-12-2012, codified in the Township's Code of Ordinances at Chapter 7, SS 7-101-7-115 was duly advertised in the April 23rd and April 30th issues of the Upper Dauphin Sentinel. The purpose of the Amendment was to clarify definitions contained in the current Open Burning Ordinance. Following discussion, John Orr moved that the Supervisors adopt the revisions to the Open Burning Ordinance adopted December 12, 2012 as advertised. Ron Hepner seconded the motion. With all in favor, motion carried.

<u>Update on Replacement of Salt Shed Roof:</u> Penn State Construction has completed the roof replacement project in accordance with terms set forth in the bid package. The spouting will need to be replaced. Toughy's Spouting Co., of Halifax, has provided an estimate of \$458 to replace the spouting. Approval was given for Toughy's Spouting Co. to install new spouting.

<u>Update on Recycling Bins:</u> Ron Hepner has requested photos of the bins, however, these pictures have not been received as of this meeting. Following receipt of the photos, arrangements to bring the bins to the Township property will be scheduled. Hepner explained the project to the students and stated that the bins should be in place sometime later this year.

<u>Update on Issues Reported by Scott Isenberg</u>: With respect to the bags of uncollected garbage located on his neighbor's property, the bags have been removed. The second concern was about the materials from the trailers that are being dismantled at the business adjacent to Isenberg's property. With respect to the business itself, it is legitimate and is located in an area zoned as commercial. Hepner has spoken with the business owner regarding the issue of materials not being properly secured and was told that there are plans to install a chain link fence to prevent the materials from blowing onto the adjacent properties.

Stormwater Issues at Lisi's: The infiltration system outlined in the Lisi Land Development Plan was not working as it was designed to do. This system did not appear to have been properly installed. Deeper holes were dug and additional stone put in place. Township officials will keep an eye on this situation to make sure that the infiltration system works properly in the future.

Approval of the Lykens Valley Golf Course Land Development Plan: The Dauphin County Planning Commission approved the plan on May 6, 2013. Prior to this approval, the Upper Paxton Township Zoning Hearing Board granted David A. Troutman a Variance for this plan. Ron Hepner moved that the Board approve and sign the Lykens Valley Golf Course Land Development Plan. Second by Joe Snyder. All in favor, motion carried.

New Business:

<u>Illegal Dumping at the Township's Compost Center:</u> Unknown person are dumping bricks, rocks and demolition waste at the compost center on Isle of Q Road. Chairman Hepner shared photos of the materials with students. These materials could cause damage to expensive chipping equipment and prove dangerous to the equipment operators. State Police will be increasing patrols to identify persons who are illegally dumping these materials. If this activity continues, the Board will consider putting the chains back up at the entrance and limit hours of operation.

<u>Properties with unmowed lawns:</u> Complaints about a property on Berrysburg Road and one on Woodside Station having lawns where the grass exceeds six inches high have been received. The owners of these properties have walked away and no forwarding addresses can be determined. A management company has been directed by the mortgagor to get the Woodside Station property ready for resale. Options for dealing with this issue were discussed.

<u>Welcome:</u> Chairman Hepner welcomed the Social Studies students from Millersburg Area High School. Officials of the township were introduced. Hepner urged the students to register to vote.

<u>Spring Cleanup Day Information:</u> Advanced Green Solutions reported that 4,841 pounds of electronics were collected for recycling.

<u>Revisions to the Personnel Manual:</u> John Orr reported that the revisions to the Township's Personnel Manual are almost completed. Orr requested that Attorney Howland provide terminology to be included in the manual regarding nepotism.

<u>Awarding of 2013 Road Project:</u> Projects for the 2013 season were duly advertised in the Upper Dauphin Sentinel. Upon opening and review of the bids received, John Orr made a motion that the following paving projects be awarded to Meckley's Limestone, Inc.: Lincoln/Fairlane/Parklane Drives - \$63,798.90, Lenker Drive/Ruby Road - \$13,338.00, Third St/Center St/Berry Mountain Road (Pearl Street not

awarded because additional work will be needed prior to paving) - \$57,571.80, and St. David Drive - \$49,402.65. Second by Joe Snyder. With all in favor, motion carried. John Orr moved that the following seal coat projects be awarded to Hammaker's East: Kahler Road - \$15,120.60 and Berry Mountain Road - \$19,076.24. Joe Snyder seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Public Comments: None

With no further business on the agenda to be discussed, John Orr moved to adjourn. Second by Joe Snyder. With all in favor, meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Betty A. Warfel, Secretary