

**UPPER OXFORD TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION
JULY 1, 2019**

The Upper Oxford Township Planning Commission held their monthly meeting at the township building, 1185 Limestone Road, Oxford, PA at 7:00 PM on Monday, July 1, 2019.

Members present: Elizabeth Randolph, David Underwood, Harold Bryson, Karl Herr and Jane Daggett, township secretary.

Others present: Scott Rugen, Barbara Herr and Philip Herr

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Karl Herr.

MINUTES – Motion was made by Harold Bryson, seconded by Elizabeth Randolph and carried to approve the June 3, 2019 Minutes. MOTION CARRIED.

FARM BUREAU – Karl Herr encouraged all present to consider joining the Farm Bureau if they are not a member already. Karl mentioned that the Farm Bureau offered many discounts on services. There is no criteria to join and if joining this month, new members will receive six months free.

PHILIP HERR – presented a Township Geology Project report to the Planning Commission and audience. Philip graduated from high school and will be attending Penn State to major in Civil Engineering and a minor in Architectural Landscape. The Professor who worked with Philip on this project was previously the Dean at Harrisburg Community College and now lives in Colorado. Philip stated that his project is in a 2.88 square mile area in Upper Oxford Township near the junction of Route 10 and Route 896 and is in proximity to the Herr residence which is well suited for a soil suitability analysis and allows the observer access to the Upper Oxford Township building and the Township Park. Philip explained the methods used in the aerial photography and details maps showing surface water and ground water studies. His studies are in line with Township resources listed on the Township website. The project shows topographical features. The land use of the project location is chiefly farmland with some woodlands and wetlands and other for residential use. Philip took soil samples in several places in the Township. His maps showed Farm Land suitability and importance at the local or state levels. Nitrate levels showed high in the project. Scott Rugen and the Planning Commission members commended Philip on the well done project and also his future plans to continue his education in civil engineering and his vision for future plans. The Planning Commission members and Supervisor Scott Rugen informed Philip that the Township is working with a Regional Planning Commission addressing some issues regarding future developments and saving our farms and making our waterways safer.

159 STREET ROAD – Scott informed the Planning Commission of what had happened at the Street Road property. State Police have an ongoing investigation on child abuse and animal cruelty.

ADJOURNMENT – There being no further business, motion was made by Harold Bryson, seconded by Elizabeth Randolph and carried unanimously to adjourn at 8:10 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Daggett
Secretary