

**UPPER OXFORD TOWNSHIP
FEBRUARY 8, 2021**

Upper Oxford Township Board of Supervisors held their regular monthly meeting at the Township Building, 1185 Limestone Road, Russellville, on Monday, February 8, 2021 at 7:00 P.M.

PRESENT: Howard Reyburn
 Scott Rugen
 Charles Fleischmann

 Jane Daggett, Secretary
 Bill Beers, Zoning Officer

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Scott Rugen. After the Salute to the flag, Scott Rugen led in prayer.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – No public attended the meeting.

MINUTES – Motion was made by Howard Reyburn, seconded by Charles Fleischmann and carried to approve the January 4, 2021 Minutes and the January 25, 2021 Work Session Minutes.

Reyburn – Yea Rugen – Yea Fleischmann – Yea

KAREN WISNIEWSKI – A form letter was received from Karen Wisniewski who needed a technical form signed by a Supervisor in order to apply for a PennVest Grant to have a malfunction repair/replacement septic system put in place. Motion was made by Charles Fleischmann, seconded by Howard Reyburn and carried to have Supervisor Scott Rugen sign the Technical Certification Form for Pennvest Loans/On-Lot Malfunction Repairs/Replacement.

Reyburn – Yea Rugen – Yea Fleischmann – Yea

JOHN KING ZONING HEARING – Mr. King has applied for a Zoning Hearing for a special exception and variance regarding his property located at 5281 Homeville Road. Motion was made by Scott Rugen, seconded by Howard Reyburn and carried to have the Township Solicitor enforce the Zoning Ordinance as it is written. Supervisor Fleischmann recused himself since he is a neighbor of Mr. King.

Reyburn – Yea Rugen – Yea Fleischmann – abstained

RIPARIAN BUFFER – This draft ordinance was discussed regarding the invasive plants listing which we received from Brandywine Conservancy along with the comment letter received from Chester County Planning Commission. Comment #5 – township should consider amending this section. CCPC new model of Storm Water has not been enacted as of yet. Supervisor Fleischmann suggested modifying our riparian buffer language regarding top of stream to edge. Supervisor Rugen will make two changes and send out to Charlie and Howard.

Motion was made by Charles Fleischmann, seconded by Howard Reyburn and carried to modified the changes and forward to the other two Supervisors and unless there are no issues by the other two Supervisors, to forward the revised, proposed draft ordinance to our Solicitor, Tom Oeste and to forward to CCPC.

Reyburn – Yea Rugen – Yea Fleischmann – Yea

ZONING – The Zoning Officer’s report was reviewed. Mr. Beers informed the Supervisors that he has received a complaint about late night activity regarding timer harvest on Ewing Road. Mr. Beers will also research with DEP, the Martin property.

ROADS – The road report was reviewed by the Supervisors. The Supervisors stated that they felt the road crew has been doing a very good job with snow removal.

ENIGNEER – The Engineer’s report was reviewed.

PAYMENT OF BILLS – Motion was made by Howard Reyburn, seconded by Charles Fleischmann and carried to approve the payment of bills in the amount of \$57,707.64 from the Open Space Fund and \$39,993.56 from the General Fund.

Reyburn – Yea

Rugen – Yea

Fleischmann – Yea

NEWSLETTERS – The Supervisors agreed to have a newsletter this spring. Articles should be forwarded to Blair Fleischmann.

DIGITAL DIVIDE – DVRPC put out a publication regarding Broad Band – Bridging the Digital Divide. This publication discusses unserved areas in townships that do not receive internet. All three Supervisors expressed interest in this. Charlie will promote this at the next OXREM.

ROUTE 1 CORRIDER TASK FORCE – No Action.

CCATO – will have a virtual convention. There are also putting out their annual directory. Charlie will see that the township receives their copies.

COVID VACCINES – The County is not getting the number of vaccines that they thought. Presently there are three sites being used.

TRANSPORTATION – Howard reported that the Transportation Committee will meet in March. The Farm Bureau will do a survey of all ag business in Chester County to help provide infrastructure.

ADJOURNMENT – There being no further business, motion was made by Charles Fleischmann, seconded by Howard Reyburn and carried unanimously to adjourn at 8:20 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Daggett
Secretary