

The 2360th meeting of the Upper Leacock Township Board of Supervisors was held on Thursday, December 21st, 2023, at 6:30 p.m. Chairman Ron Simmons, present; Vice Chairman Harold Leaman, present; Supervisor Nelson Bard, present; Township Manager Michael H Morris, present; Township Solicitor William Cassidy, present; Township Engineer Kara Kalupson, present; and Secretary/Media Coordinator Joy Witmer, present.

Chairman Simmons called the meeting to order and then asked all present to rise and recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

Vice Chairman Leaman made a motion to **approve** the **November 16th, 2023**, minutes. Supervisor Bard seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Recognition of Guests:

Wendy, Charles, Paul and Scott Fitts of 2345 New Holland Pike, Ivan R. Stoltzfus 1651 Hunsecker Rd., Roselyn Ayers 2341 New Holland Pike and Jeff Long 2339 New Holland Pike attended the meeting about The Villas at Twin Maples. Solicitor Bill Cassidy stated that the item was not on the agenda and wouldn't be discussed. Mr. Fitts said it was stated at the Planning Commission meeting that the members were going to ask the Supervisors opinion, Mr. Cassidy stated that it was Attorney Client privilege, and it wouldn't be discussed at the meeting.

Sam Huber of Upper Leacock Fire Company.

Public Comments:

None

Manager's Report:

Michael Morris received from State Senator Scott Martin as well as Representative Keith Greiner about grant monies (\$365,549.00) that was awarded to Upper Leacock Township for the Water System Project on Rose, Ethel and Forest Hill Road.

Solicitors Report:

Supervisor Bard made a *motion to appoint Brad Harris as Special Counsel for the Conditional Use Hearing that will be held Tuesday January 2nd, 2024 for DSC Solutions, LLC.* Vice Chairman Leaman seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

Vice Chairman Leaman made a *motion to appoint Ralph Hutchinson as Conestoga Valley Region representative to the Lancaster County Tax Collections Board and Jenna Reigle as the alternate representative to the Lancaster County Tax Collections Board for 2024.* Supervisor Bard seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Supervisor Bard made a *motion to approve the release of financial security for the Melvin B. Glick Stormwater Management Plan, 265 Monterey Road. contingent upon the applicant paying the outstanding engineering fees per RETTEW's letter dated November 21, 2023.* Vice Chairman Leaman seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Supervisor Bard made a ***motion to approve the modification of Section 604.02 of the SALDO that requires concrete curb to be installed along New Holland Pike (SR0023) for Talaat & Ferial Eid at 2282 New Holland Pike.*** Vice Chairman Leaman seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Supervisor Bard made a ***motion to deny the Requested waiver of Sidewalk width, the sidewalks must be 5'.*** Vice Chairman Leaman seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Zoning Officer Report:

Mr. Morris wanted to make the Supervisors aware of a Zoning Application for 23 S. Maple Avenue, a Condemnation lifted at 12 Hoover Lane, and an address that needs correction on the Violation report.

Planning Commission:

No comments.

Supervisors Concerns:

Supervisor Bard started a discussion with the Supervisors about a concern he had gotten from Bareville Fire Company with the Fireman's Relief funds. It was brought to his attention that Bareville Fire Company was not happy that they do not receive half of the Relief funds. Mr. Bard thought to make it fair for each company to split the funds 50/50 in 2024 instead of waiting until 2025. Mr. Huber said Upper Leacock Fire Company is fine with Mr. Bards decision, however he feels this is just a small piece of the puzzle. Upper Leacock Fire is aware of their lack of members and availability to run fire calls and would like some assistance from Bareville Fire to possibly drive a truck if necessary so the Company can respond to a call. Mr. Huber stated he reached out to Bareville regarding this and he was told no one from Bareville would do that.

Chairman Simmons and Vice Chairman Leaman both agreed to have Mr. Bard as the mediator between the two Fire Companies to resolve some of the differences. At this time the Supervisors agreed to move forward with the Relief fund monies being split in 2024.

Vice Chairman made a ***motion to amend 2024 General Fund Budget for Upper Leacock Fire Company annual contribution from \$24,500 to \$35,000 and Bareville Fire Company annual contribution from \$17,200 to \$35,000 and relief allocation 50/50 split to each Upper Leacock Fire Company and Bareville Fire Company.*** Supervisor Bard seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Mr. Bard also asked if the funds on the report could be labeled (General, Water, Sewer & Stormwater) since the Supervisors do not know what fund code is what.

Payment of Bills:

November 11, 2023 to December 15, 2023

GENERAL	\$234,597.07
WATER	115,178.51
SEWER	\$68,489.58
STORMWATER	\$40,783.68
TOTAL	\$459,048.84

STATE/LIQUID FUELS PAYMENTS \$141.00

Rettew associates \$141.00

TOTAL GENERAL FUND RECEIPTS \$376,225.93

Supervisor Bard made a ***motion to pay bills totaling \$459,048.84.*** Vice Chairman Leaman seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Correspondence:

Mr. Morris mentioned he received a letter in the mail that day stating that Lancaster Generations, located at 2423 New Holland Pike, was doing a complete liquidation. Mr. Huber stated this was a foundation started by the Hess' and is now being liquidated. The property is now owned by Breakout Ministries and houses Chester Brook Childcare.

With a motion by Supervisor Bard and seconded by Vice Chairman Leaman, the meeting was **adjourned at 6:42 p.m.** The next meeting for the Board of Supervisors is scheduled for **Tuesday, January 2nd 2024**, at 6:30 p.m. at the Upper Leacock Township Municipal Building.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael H Morris", with a stylized flourish extending to the right.

Michael H Morris
Township Manager