

**Upper Moreland Township  
Board of Commissioners - Regular Meeting  
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**Board of Commissioners Members:** Commissioner and President, Kevin C. Spearing; Commissioner and Vice President Charles M. Whiting; Commissioners R. Samuel Valenza, Joseph A. Lavallo, Kip McFatridge, Nicholas O. Scull and Cheryl Lockard

- I. **Call to Order:** The Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Upper Moreland Township was called to order by the President of the Board of Commissioners, Kevin C. Spearing at 7:00 p.m.
- II. **Moment of Silent Meditation/Pledge of Allegiance**
- III. **Roll Call:** Commissioner and Board President Spearing, Commissioners Scull, Lavallo, McFatridge, Whiting, Valenza and Lockard. Also present were Matthew H. Candland, Township Manager, and Sean Kilkenny, Township Solicitor.
- IV. **Presentations/Announcements:**
  - A. Commissioner Spearing stated that the Board of Commissioners met in an Executive Session prior to the Regular Meeting to discuss legal, personnel and real estate matters.
  - B. Swearing-in of Police Officer Preston P. Moyer by District Justice Paul Leo:
    - Police Chief Michael Murphy, introduced Police Officer Preston P. Moyer and District Justice Paul Leo administered the Oath of Office and Swearing in of Officer Moyer to the Upper Moreland Police Department.

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- V. **Public Comments** – nothing to report.
- VI. **Treasurer’s Activity Report – January 2020:** The Treasurer's Activity Report was approved by a vote of 7-0 as submitted.
- VII. **Approval of Minutes – January 13, 2020:** The minutes were unanimously approved, as submitted.
- VIII. **Committee Recommendations:**
  1. **Finance & Administrative Committee**

**Appointments/Reappointments** - The Committee recommends the Board of Commissioners take action on the following:

    - a. The reappointment of Margaret Holscher on the Parks and Recreational Advisory Council as an At Large representative to serve a new two (2) year term that will expire on December 31, 2021.
      - The Board of Commissioners approved by a vote of 7-0, the reappointment of Margaret Holscher.
    - b. The reappointment of Henry J. Sokolowski on the Upper Moreland/Hatboro Joint Sewer Authority as an Upper Moreland Township representative to serve a new five

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- (5) year term that will expire on December 31, 2024.
- The Board of Commissioners approved by a vote of 7-0, the reappointment of Henry J. Sokolowski.
- c. The reappointment of Heather Greenleaf on the Upper Moreland Historical Commission to serve a new three (3) year term that will expire on December 31, 2022.
- The Board of Commissioners approved by a vote of 7-0, the reappointment of Heather Greenleaf.
- d. The reappointment of Arlene Rubin on the Upper Moreland Historical Commission to serve a new three (3) year term that will expire on December 31, 2022.
- The Board of Commissioners approved by a vote of 7-0, the reappointment of Arlene Rubin.
- e. Motion to approve **Resolution R-2020-05** for the reappointment of Dan Fannon on the Zoning Hearing Board to serve a new five (5) year term that will expire on December 31, 2024.
- The Board of Commissioners approved by a vote of 7-0, **Resolution R-2020-05** for the reappointment of Dan Fannon.
- f. The reappointment of Steve Martin on the Civil Service Commission to serve a new six (6) year term that will expire on December 31, 2025.
- The Board of Commissioners approved by a vote of 7-0, the reappointment of Steve Martin.
- g. The reappointment of Shawn Hopkins on the Environmental Advisory Council to serve a new three (3) year term to expire on January 2, 2023.
- The Board of Commissioners approved by a vote of 7-0, the reappointment of Shawn Hopkins.
- h. The reappointment of Lynnette Saunders on the Environmental Advisory Council to serve a new three (3) year term to expire on January 2, 2023.
- The Board of Commissioners approved by a vote of 7-0, the reappointment of Lynnette Saunders.
- i. The reappointment of Henry J. Sokolowski on the Environmental Advisory Council to serve a new three (3) year term to expire on January 2, 2023.
- The Board of Commissioners approved by a vote of 7-0, the reappointment of Henry J. Sokolowski.
- j. The appointment of Whitney Zylstra on the Environmental Advisory Council to fill the vacancy left by Glenn DePalantino and complete the remainder of the current two (2) year term that will expire on October 2, 2020.
- The Board of Commissioners approved by a vote of 7-0, the appointment of Whitney Zylstra.
- k. The appointment of Roseann J. McGrath to assist the Board of Commissioners in the recruitment process for the position of Chief of Police at the hourly rate of \$125.00.
- The Board of Commissioners approved by a vote of 7-0, the appointment of Roseann J. McGrath.

**Vacancies** – Commissioner Valenza announced the following:

1. On the Historical Commission to fill the vacancy left by Kazim Ali and complete the

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- remainder of the current term that will expire on December 31, 2020.
2. On the Historical Commission to fill the vacancy left by Henry Hedrick and complete a new term that will expire on December 31, 2022.
  3. On the Historical Commission to fill the vacancy left by Paul Tkacs and complete a new term that will expire on December 31, 2022.
  4. On the Parks and Recreation Advisory Council to fill the vacancy left by Alex Zachariah as a representative of Ward 3 and complete a two-year term that will expire on May 5, 2021.
- Commissioner Valenza stated that anyone interested in a Committee position can send their resume to the attention of Matt Candland, Township Manager.
2. **List of Bills Payable** - The Board of Commissioners approved by a vote of 7-0 in favor, the List of Bills as submitted.
  3. **Aqua General Funds Bills** - The Board of Commissioners approved by a vote of 6-0 in favor; and one (1) abstention (abstention by Commissioner Spearing, Aqua employee).
  4. **Other Items:**
    - a. **Motion to approve Ordinance #1708** - Adopting a schedule of reasonable attorneys' fees incurred in the collection of delinquent unpaid municipal claims and liens.
      - The Board of Commissioners approved by a vote of 7-0, **Ordinance #1708**.
    - b. **Motion to approve Resolution R-2020-06** - Appointing delegates to the Montgomery County Tax Collection Committee.
      - The Board of Commissioners approved by a vote of 7-0, **Resolution R-2020-06**.
    - c. **Motion to approve Resolution R-2020-07** - Authorizing notice to bidders for the sale of certain vehicles and equipment.
      - The Board of Commissioners approved by a vote of 7-0, **Resolution R-2020-07**.
    - d. **Motion to approve Resolution R-2020-08** – Authorizing the Township Administration to proceed with the issuance of General Obligation Bonds.
      - The Board of Commissioners approved by a vote of 7-0, **Resolution R-2020-08**.
    - e. **Motion to approve** the Auditing Services Proposal submitted by Clifton Larson Allen to perform the audit for the Township.
      - The Board of Commissioners approved by a vote of 7-0, the Auditing Services Proposal submitted by Clifton Larson Allen to perform the audit for the Township.
    - f. **Motion to approve** Santanna Energy as a Natural Gas supplier for a 36-month period.
      - The Board of Commissioners approved by a vote of 7-0, Santanna Energy as a Natural Gas supplier for a 36-month period.

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- g. **Motion to approve Resolution R-2020-11** – Approving the waiver of fees related to the School District of Upper Moreland Township’s maintenance projects that will be completed in 2020.
  - Cathleen Carver, a resident of Davisville Road, commented that the School District should make exceptions for use of their fields by the tax payers who live in the Township.
  - The Board of Commissioners approved by a vote of 7-0, **Resolution R-2020-11**.

5. **New Business** - nothing to report.

A. **Community Development Committee**

- 1. **Code Enforcement** - nothing to report.
- 2. **Land Development/Subdivision Applications** - nothing to report.
- 3. **List of Upcoming Zoning Hearing Board Applications:**
  - Commissioner Lavalley read three applications that will be heard at the February 13, 2020 Zoning Hearing Board Meeting at 7:30 p.m. in the Upper Moreland Township Building.
- 4. **Other Items:**
  - a. **Motion to approve Resolution R-2020-09** – Approving an agreement to permit the use of an area within Upper Moreland Township’s Right-of-Way for the placement of a fence located at 123 Krewson Terrace.
    - The Board of Commissioners approved by a vote of 7-0, **Resolution R-2020-09**.

C. **Parks and Recreation Committee** - nothing to report.

D. **Public Health & Safety Committee:**

- 1. **Motion to approve** updated policies for Mobile Video and Body Worn Cameras Systems.
  - The Board of Commissioners approved by a vote of 7-0, updated policies for Mobile Video and Body Worn Cameras Systems.
- 2. **Motion to approve Resolution R-2020-10** – Approving a Supplemental Agreement of the Municipal Winter Agreement due to changes in the way miles are computed.
  - The Board of Commissioners approved by a vote of 7-0, **Resolution R-2020-10**.

IX. **New Business** - nothing to report.

X. **Commissioner Comments:**

- Commissioner Lavalley stated that construction is progressing on the Korean War Memorial, located within Memorial Grove Park on Kenas Road in Montgomery Township, and a ribbon cutting ceremony will be held on May 30, 2020 at 11:00 a.m. with keynote speakers including State and local officials.

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- Commissioner Spearing stated that the School District provided proper notice regarding improvements, and the waivers on permits and fees is an appropriate business request.

XI. **Visitor Comments** - nothing to report.

XII. **Adjournment:** There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Kathleen Kristire.