

**Upper Moreland Township
Board of Commissioners - Regular Meeting
July 11, 2022 Meeting Minutes**

Board of Commissioners Members: Commissioner and President, Clifton "Kip" McFatridge; Commissioner and Vice President Cheryl Lockard; Commissioners Nicholas O. Scull, Kevin C. Spearing, Charles M. Whiting, Anthony S. Prousi, and R. Samuel Valenza.

I. **Call to Order:** The Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Upper Moreland Township was called to order by Board President McFatridge.

II. **Moment of Silent Meditation/Pledge of Allegiance:**
Commissioner McFatridge asked everyone to keep Randy Schaible, Assistant Township Manager/Director of Finance in their thoughts at this time during the loss of his brother.

III. **Roll Call:** Commissioner and Board President McFatridge, Commissioner and Vice President Lockard; Commissioners Valenza, Spearing, Whiting, Scull, Prousi. Absent: Randy Schaible, Assistant Township Manager/Director of Finance. Also present: Matthew H. Candland, Township Manager, Sean Kilkenny, Township Solicitor.

IV. **Presentations/Announcements:**

A. District Justice Paul Leo to conduct Oath of Office and swearing-in of Sidney D. Schwartz as a Probationary Police Officer:

- Chief Andrew Block provided career background on Officer Schwartz.
- District Justice Paul Leo conducted the Oath of Office and swearing-in of Sidney D. Schwartz as a Probationary Police Officer.

B. **Motion to Approve** an honorable discharge to Patrol Officer Scott S. Metheny from the Upper Moreland Township Police Department, and in recognition of his retirement effective July 14, 2022, present a proclamation for his service to the residents of Upper Moreland Township:

- Chief Andrew Block congratulated Officer Metheny on his career of 28-1/2 years and his service in various capacities locally and nationally.
- Commissioner McFatridge commended Officer Metheny for his work throughout the Township.
- Commissioner Spearing motioned, seconded by Commissioner Prousi and the Board of Commissioners approved by a vote of 7-0.

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V. **Public Comments** - Nothing to report.

VI. **Treasurer's Activity Report – June 2022:**

- Commissioner Valenza motioned, seconded by Commissioner Spearing and the Board of Commissioners approved by a vote of 7-0, the report as submitted.

VII. **Approval of Minutes – June 6, 2022 - Regular Meetings:**

- Commissioner Valenza motioned, seconded by Commissioner Lockard and the Board of Commissioners approved by a vote of 7-0, the minutes as submitted.

VIII. **Committee Recommendations:**

A. **Finance & Administrative Committee – June 20, 2022** – The Committee recommends the Board of Commissioners take action on the following:

1. **Appointments/Reappointments:**

a. **Motion to Approve** the reappointment of Gerald T. Foley as a Ward 6 representative on the **Advisory Planning Agency** to serve a new two-year term to expire on June 1, 2024.

b. **Motion to Approve** the reappointment of Michael Chauveau as an At Large member on the **Parks and Recreation Advisory Council** to serve a new two-year term to expire on May 5, 2024.

- Commissioner Valenza motioned, seconded by Commissioner Lockard and the Board of Commissioners approved the above reappointments by a vote of 7-0.

2. List of Bills Payable:

- Commissioner Valenza motioned, seconded by Commissioner Lockard and the Board of Commissioners approved by a vote of 7-0.

3. Other Items:

a. **Motion to Approve** the advertisement of a public hearing to be set on August 1, 2022 to receive public comments on the Comcast Franchise Agreement.

- Commissioner Valenza motioned, seconded by Commissioner Lockard and the Board of Commissioners approved by a vote of 7-0.

b. The Committee announced that the August 15, 2022 Finance & Administrative Committee Meeting has been canceled.

4. New Business – Nothing to report.

B. **Community Development Committee – June 13, 2022:**

1. **Code Enforcement** - Nothing to report.

2. **Land Development/Subdivision Applications:**

a. **Motion to Approve Resolution R-2022-24** – Granting conditional preliminary/final subdivision approval for a minor lot subdivision for the property located at 3827 Betz Road:

- The Committee motioned and seconded, and the Board of Commissioners unanimously approved Waivers A. through F. by a vote of 7-0; Waiver B. was approved by a vote of 6-1 (6 aye: Commissioners Scull, Prousi, Spearing, McFatridge, Valenza and Whiting; 1 nay: Commissioner Lockard).
- Commissioner Spearing motioned, seconded by Commissioner Valenza and the Board of Commissioners approved by a vote of 7-0 an amended Resolution.

3. **List of Upcoming Zoning Hearing Board Applications:**

- Commissioner Spearing read three applications that will be heard at the July 14, 2022 meeting.

4. **Other Items:**

a. **Motion to Approve Resolution R-2022-25** – Granting John and Kate Cox a waiver from payment of the Township's Transportation Impact Fee for improvements at the property located at 2355 Douglas Lane:

- Commissioner Spearing motioned, seconded by Commissioner Valenza and the Board of Commissioners approved by a vote of 7-0.

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- b. **Motion to Approve Resolution R-2022-26** – Granting 714 Easton Real Estate, LLC’s request for a conditional waiver from section 65-10 of the Township’s code of ordinances to allow for the issuance of an amusement device license at the premises located less than 300 feet from a residential zoning district at the property located at 714 Easton Road:
 - Commissioner Spearing motioned, seconded by Commissioner Valenza and the Board of Commissioners approved by a vote of 7-0.
- c. **Motion to Approve** the Wayfinding & Signage, Option 1B selection:
 - Commissioner Spearing motioned, seconded by Commissioner Valenza and the Board of Commissioners approved by a vote of 7-0.
- d. **Motion to Approve** the Township Building Renovation recommendations:
 - Commissioner Spearing motioned, seconded by Commissioner Valenza and the Board of Commissioners approved by a vote of 7-0.
- e. **Motion to Approve** the proposal by McMahan & Associates to submit the Highway Occupancy Permits for the installation of flood gates at various locations within the Township:
 - Commissioner Spearing motioned, seconded by Commissioner Valenza and the Board of Commissioners approved by a vote of 7-0.
- f. The Committee will announce a decision at a future meeting to hold the August 8, 2022 Community Development Committee Meeting.

C. **Public Health & Safety Committee – June 20, 2022** – The Committee recommends the Board of Commissioners take action on the following:

1. **Motion to Approve Ordinance No. 1731** – Removing certain parking prohibitions along Newington Drive; repealing all inconsistent ordinance, or parts thereof in conflict therewith; and providing for a severability clause and an effective date:
 - Commissioner Whiting motioned, seconded by Commissioner Spearing and the Board of Commissioners approved by a vote of 7-0.
2. **Motion to Approve Ordinance No. 1732** – Adoption of the Pennsylvania Construction Code Act, the 2018 International Fire Code applicable in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; repealing all inconsistent ordinance, or parts thereof in conflict therewith; and providing for a severability clause and an effective date:
 - Commissioner Whiting motioned, seconded by Commissioner Valenza and the Board of Commissioners approved by a vote of 7-0.

D. **Parks and Recreation Committee – June 20, 2022** – The Committee recommends the Board of Commissioners take action on the following:

1. **Motion Approve** Change Order #1 for the Woodlawn School Demolition project, to account for the removal/disposal of recycled concrete and import, place, compact soil backfill:
 - Commissioner Scull motioned, seconded by Commissioner Valenza and the Board of Commissioners approved by a vote of 7-0.

IX. **Commissioner Comments** – Nothing to report.

X. **Visitor Comments** – Nothing to report.

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XI. **Adjournment:** There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Kathleen Kristire.