

**Upper Moreland Township
Board of Commissioners - Regular Meeting
July 10, 2023 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**
- III. **Roll Call:** Commissioner and Board President McFatridge, Commissioner and Board Vice President Lockard, Commissioners Spearing, Scull, Prousi. Absent: Commissioners Valenza and Whiting. Also present: Matthew H. Candland, Township Manager, Randy Schaible, Assistant Township Manager/Director of Finance, and Alex Baumler, Township Solicitor.

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- IV. **Presentations/Announcements:**
Presentation of Proclamation to William Hoffman in recognition of his retirement from the Upper Moreland Township Police Department:
 - Police Chief Andrew Block briefly summarized Mr. Hoffman's background and experience, and then read and presented him with a Proclamation of Retirement.
- V. **Public Comments** – Non-Agenda Items Only – Nothing to report.
- VI. **Treasurer's Activity Report – June 2023:**
 - Commissioner Lockard motioned, seconded by Commissioner Spearing and the Board of Commissioners approved by a vote of 5-0.
- VII. **Approval of Minutes – June 5, 2023 - Regular Meetings:**
 - Commissioner Lockard amended Section VIII, page 4, B., 4., "e. The sign has been paid for by the Township as part of the Historical Commission's budget."
 - Commissioner Valenza motioned, seconded by Commissioner Spearing and the Board of Commissioners approved by a vote of 5-0.
- VIII. **Committee Recommendations:**
 - A. **Finance & Administrative Committee – May 22, 2023** – The Committee recommends the Board of Commissioners approve the following items:
 1. Appointments/Reappointment:
 - a. **Motion to Approve** the conditional appointment of Kaeli White as a Police Cadet. Such appointment is conditional upon the successful completion of the medical and psychological examinations. This conditional appointment is also based upon the successful completion of the Montgomery County Municipal Police Academy and passing the Municipal Police Officers Education and Training Commissions (MPOETC) certification examination
 - Commissioner Lockard motioned, seconded by Commissioner Spearing and the Board of Commissioners approved by vote of 5-0.
 2. List of Bills Payable:
 - Commissioner Lockard motioned, seconded by Commissioner Spearing and the Board of Commissioners approved by a vote of 5-0.

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3. Other Items:
 - a. **Motion to Approve** a Tax Assessment Appeal between the Township, the School District of Upper Moreland and the tax payer, Federal Realty Investment Trust and GHA Broadfalls Associates, for the property located at 10-170 Park Avenue
 - Commissioner Lockard motioned, seconded by Commissioner Spearing and the Board of Commissioners approved by a vote of 5-0.
 4. New Business - Nothing to report.
- B. Community Development Committee – May 8, 2023** – The Committee recommends the Board of Commissioners approve the following items:
1. Code Enforcement – Nothing to report.
 2. Land Development/Subdivision Applications – Nothing to report.
 3. List of Upcoming Zoning Hearing Board Applications – July 13, 2023:
 - Commissioner McFatridge read one application that is scheduled.
 4. Other Items:
 - a. **Motion to Approve** the Conditional Use Application submitted by Federal Realty OP, LP, for the property located at 10-170 Park Avenue, known as the Willow Grove Shopping Center:
 - Commissioner Lockard motioned to table, seconded by Commissioner Spearing and the Board of Commissioners approved by a vote of 5-0.
 - The Board of Commissioners will continue a discussion at the July 17, 2023 Special Meeting to render a final decision.
 - b. **Motion to Approve Resolution R-2023-16** – Granting approval for the development of Cloud 10 Car Wash at 4290 Davisville Road:
 - Mark Damico, Attorney at Petrikin, Wellman, Damico, Brown & Petrosa, discussed waivers.
 - Commissioner Spearing motioned, seconded by Commissioner McFatridge and the Board of Commissioners approved Waivers A by a vote of 5-0.
 - Commissioner Spearing motioned, seconded by Commissioner Lockard and the Board of Commissioners approved Waiver B and C by a vote of 5-0.
 - Adam Davis, Hyland Engineering, confirmed Waiver C with the removal of one (1) tree along County Line Road and four (4) trees along Davisville Road.
 - Commissioner Spearing motioned, seconded by Commissioner Prousi and the Board of Commissioners approved Waiver D, E and F by a vote of 5-0.
 - Commissioner Lockard commented disapproval of Waiver G for requesting to not plant 18 out of the 23 trees in the plan.
 - Commissioner Spearing motioned, seconded by Commissioner Prousi and the Board of Commissioners approved Waiver G by a vote of 3-2 (three (3) ayes: Commissioners Scull, Spearing, McFatridge; two (2) nays: Commissioners Prousi, Lockard).
 - Commissioner Spearing motioned, seconded by Commissioner Prousi and the Board of Commissioners approved Waiver H and I by a vote of 5-0.
 - Commissioner Spearing motioned, seconded by Commissioner Prousi and the Board of Commissioners approved Resolution R-2023-16 by a vote of 5-0.
 - The Board of Commissioners stated that the correct property address is 4290 Davisville Road, Hatboro, PA.

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- c. **Motion to Approve Resolution R-2023-17** – Granting a waiver of permit and other fees to the School District for an upcoming project at the Intermediate School:
 - The Board of Commissioners requested to review an itemization of permit waiver costs for improvements at the Upper Moreland School District’s school buildings to be discussed at a future meeting.
 - Commissioner Spearing motioned, seconded by Commissioner Prousi and the Board of Commissioners approved Resolution R-2023-17 by a vote of 5-0.
- d. **Motion to Approve Ordinance No. 1744** – Single Use Plastic Bag Ban
 - Commissioner Spearing motioned, seconded by Commissioner Prousi and the Board of Commissioners approved by a vote of 4-1 (four (4) ayes: Commissioners Scull, Prousi, Spearing, Lockard; one (1) nay: Commissioner McFatrige).

C. Public Health & Safety Committee – June 19, 2023:

- 1. **Motion to Approve** the submission of a State Fire Commissioner Grant Application:
 - Commissioner McFatrige motioned, seconded by Commissioner Spearing and the Board of Commissioners approved by a vote of 5-0.

D. Parks & Recreation Committee – May 22, 2023:

- Commissioner Scull reported that there are no items for the Board of Commissioners’ consideration.

IX. Commissioner Comments:

A. Upcoming Township Meetings (based on Township calendar):

Date	Subject	Location	Time
July 11	Parks & Recreation Advisory Council	Township Building – Council RM	7:30 PM
July 13	Zoning Hearing Board	Township Building – Council RM	7:00 PM
July 17	Community Development Committee	Township Building – Council RM	7:00 PM
July 19	Republican Committee	Library Community Room	7:00 PM
July 20	Advisory Planning Agency (APA)	Township Building – Council RM	5:00 PM
July 24	Committee Meetings of: Finance & Admin Public Health & Safety Parks & Recreation	Township Building – Council RM	7:00 PM
July 26	Democratic Committee	Township Building – Council RM	7:00 PM
July 27	Zoning Hearing Board	Township Building – Council RM	7:00 PM
Aug 1	Historical Commission	Library Community Room	7:00 PM
Aug 2	Environmental Advisory Council	Township Building – Council RM	7:00 PM
Aug 7	Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners	Township Building – Council RM	7:00 PM
Aug 10	Zoning Hearing Board	Township Building – Council RM	7:00 PM
Aug 14	Community Development Committee	Township Building – Council RM	7:00 PM
Aug 16	Republican Committee	Library Community Room	7:00 PM
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- Commissioner Scull commented that the Cottage building at Farmstead Park has been demolished.
- Commissioner Spearing announced that the public can pick up a recycled shopping bag at the Willow Grove Fire House.

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

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

Respectfully submitted by Kathleen Kristire.