

**MINUTES JUNE 3, 2020**  
**UPPER NAZARETH TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

Meeting called to order at 7:01 p.m. by Chairman Mike Rinker. This meeting was held virtually.

Pledge of Allegiance

Board members present were: Mike Rinker, Rob Disbrow, Scott Sylvainus, Donna Hirst and Kristin Mullen.

Also present were Township Solicitor, Gary Asteak, Township Engineer, Sean Dooley, Township Manager, Lisa Klem, and Treasurer, Betty Parrish.

**COURTESY OF THE FLOOR**

Upper Nazareth Township resident Becky Bartlett reported the library referendum passed. Ms. Bartlett asked when the decision regarding Project Tadmor would be made. Mr. Rinker responded July 1, 2020.

**APPROVALS**

**Motion** was made by Mrs. Hirst and seconded by Mr. Disbrow to approve the agenda. Motion carried by all voting aye. (5-0)

**Motion** was made by Ms. Mullen and seconded by Mr. Rinker to approve the meeting minutes of May 20, 2020. Motion carried by all voting aye. (5-0)

**Motion** was made by Mr. Sylvainus and seconded by Ms. Mullen to approve payment of the bills. Motion carried by all voting aye. (5-0)

**SUPERVISORS' COMMENTS**

Mr. Disbrow reported a situation has occurred pertaining to the PennDOT bridge replacement project on Route 248. Detours have been put in place for new traffic patterns while the bridge is closed. Drivers are ignoring the detour signs creating heavy traffic on narrow country roads that cannot support the increased traffic and large commercial trucks trying to make their way through the Township. Mr. Disbrow expressed his deep concern regarding the bridge on Penn Dixie Rd. that was repaired by the Township last year and the possibility of the bridge being damaged by commercial vehicles trying to make the odd turn onto that bridge, which is not meant to support the weight of large commercial vehicles. Upper Nazareth Township Police were expedited to the area of Michaels School Rd., Sterner Rd. and S. Penn Dixie Rd. and enacted measures to curtail access to these roads. Mr. Rinker contacted Mike Sterling of PennDOT expressing the Township's concerns with the lack of signage and the potential damage to the Township roads. Attorney Asteak stated the Township has emergency powers to close roads. Should the Chief of Police feel the roads are unsafe to vehicle traffic, the Township has the power to reroute traffic or close roads. Attorney Asteak suggested posting Local Traffic Only signs. Chief Cope responded the impact of the closing of the roads would only impact about 5 houses.

**TOWNSHIP ENGINEER**

Nothing at this time.

**TOWNSHIP SOLICITOR**

Attorney Asteak stated Ordinance No. 184 – Parking was duly advertised in the Express Times on May 23, 2020 and is ready for adoption.

**Motion** was made by Mr. Rinker and seconded by Mrs. Hirst to adopt Ordinance No. 184 – Parking. Motion carried by all voting aye.

Attorney Asteak reported Eagles Landing Development has come to the end of its maintenance period. A portion of Eagles Landing Dr. in Phase 1 has not been dedicated. Attorney Asteak requested approval of Resolution No. 20-15 accepting for dedication that portion of Eagles Landing Dr.

**Motion** was made by Mr. Disbrow and seconded by Ms. Mullen to approve Resolution No. 20-15 Deed of Dedication for a portion of Eagles Landing Dr. in Phase 1. Motion carried by all voting aye. (5-0)

**TOWNSHIP MANAGER/ADMINISTRATION**

Nothing at this time.

**PLANNING & ZONING**

Attorney Asteak stated an extension of time to review Project Tadmor Plans until July 1, 2020, has been granted in order to conduct a public meeting as the Board of Supervisors wished.

**Motion** to approve JVI, Inc. granting an extension to review until July 1, 2020. Motion carried by all voting aye. (5-0)

**PUBLIC WORKS**

Nothing at this time.

**RECREATION**

Nothing at this time.

**POLICE DEPARTMENT**

Nothing at this time.

**EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT**

Mr. Rinker stated the Emergency Disaster Declaration will remain in place for now and can be lifted at any time.

Mr. Rinker will continue to monitor the situation pertaining to the PennDOT bridge replacement on Route 248 and the issue with the traffic detours.

Mr. Rinker reported PPE equipment is continuing to be distributed.

### **SAFETY COMMITTEE**

Mr. Rinker reported the Safety Committee met on Wednesday, May 27, 2020, for the purpose of discussing a way forward for opening the Township post COVID 19.

### **FIRE DEPARTMENT**

Nothing at this time.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Nothing at this time.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Nothing at this time.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion** was made by Mr. Disbrow and seconded by Mrs. Hirst to adjourn at 7:26 p.m. Motion carried by all voting aye. (5-0)

*Respectfully submitted,*

*Betty Parrish  
Recording Secretary*