

**Mount Joy Township
Supervisors' Regular Meeting
August 15, 2019
Meeting Minutes**

Present: John Gormont, Chairman; David Updyke, Vice-Chair; Dennis Bowman; Jeffrey Patterson; Terry Scholle; Susan Smith, Solicitor; Sheri Moyer, Secretary

The Mount Joy Township Board of Supervisors met this date, as publicly advertised, at the Mount Joy Township Building located at 902 Hoffman Home Rd., Gettysburg, Pennsylvania.

Call to Order: John Gormont, presiding.

Starting Time: 7:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comments: None.

Approval of Minutes:

- Supervisors' Regular Meeting Minutes, July 18, 2019. Mr. Updyke moved, seconded by Mr. Bowman, to accept the minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
- Supervisors' Workshop Meeting Minutes, August 1, 2019. Mr. Updyke moved, seconded by Mr. Patterson, to accept the minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

PA State Police Report: Corporal David Bittinger reported that from January 1st through August 14th there were 96 criminal incidents, 41 crashes, 236 other. He said the other category is anything that does not constitute a crime or crash. Corporal Bittinger said he did a breakdown for last month's meeting, but it has not been updated with July's stats. He said there were 17 thefts reported (3 were retail thefts), 1 robbery, 4 burglaries, 28 assaults/harassment, 2 animal cruelty, 2 public drunkenness, nothing out of the ordinary. Mr. Gormont questioned if it was possible to receive a monthly report. Corporal Bittinger said he would speak to his station commander and would get back to the Township.

Solicitor's Report: Mr. Updyke moved, seconded by Mr. Scholle, to accept the report as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Persons Requesting Time on Agenda: None.

Treasurer's Reports:

- Approval of Monthly Finance Report. Mr. Updyke moved, seconded by Mr. Patterson, to accept the report as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
- Approval of Bills Paid Report. Mr. Updyke moved, seconded by Mr. Patterson, to accept the July bills paid report. Motion carried unanimously.

Road Report: Mr. Updyke moved, seconded by Mr. Scholle, to accept the July report as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Planning Commission: No report.

Subdivision and Land Dev.: None.

Engineering Report: Mr. Patterson moved, seconded by Mr. Updyke, to accept the report as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Zoning Officer/Code Enforcement Officer's Report: Mr. Bowman moved, seconded by Mr. Updyke, to accept the report as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Land and Sea Service Inspection Report: Mr. Updyke moved, seconded by Mr. Patterson, to accept the report as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

- **UCC Quarterly Report for April – June 2019:** Mr. Gormont said this is the report that is filed with the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development. During the second quarter of 2019, there were seven (7) permits for new single-family residential housing; 14 permits for all other residential projects and no permits for a new commercial project for a total of 21 permits. The total fee paid was \$94.50.

Open Records Officer Report:

- Stephen Alexander - requesting engineering reports and permits on installation, repair or replacement of culvert placed at 1735 Barlow Two Taverns Rd. from 2016-2019 and Road committee reports that mention problems, installation, repair or replacement of culvert placed at 1735 Barlow Two Taverns Rd. from 2016-2019 – Denied, no such records exist
- Robert Curran – PEMO Limited – regarding 1013 Heritage Drive. Requesting copies of any open code violations or notice letters that could result in a fine or lien. Copies of unpaid invoices, fines, or liens relating to code violations - Denied, no such records exist

Fire Company Reports:

	MJT Calls per month	YTD Calls in MJT
1. Alpha Fire Company	0	18
2. Barlow Fire Company	5	33
3. Gettysburg Fire Co.	4	29
4. United Hook & Ladder.	2	10

Mr. Updyke moved, seconded by Mr. Scholle, to accept the report as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Correspondence:

- United Hook & Ladder 10th Anniversary Celebration August 17, 2019
- Adams County Council of Governments 10th Anniversary Celebration August 22, 2019

Committee/Board Reports:

- Personnel (Patterson, Updyke): No report
 - Finance (Gormont, Updyke): No report
 - Roads (Gormont): Mr. Gormont said the new truck was delivered on Tuesday. He questioned the Board as to what we should do about selling the 2001 Mack Truck. Should we put it out for bid, put it on Muni bid site? If another Township wants to purchase it, we can sell it to them. If it is a someone from the general public, we need to go through the bid process. Ms. Smith said if the bids do not meet the Board's expectations, the Board does not have to accept any of them. Mr. Gormont said that we do not have to accept any bids if they do not meet what we want to get for the truck. The Board agreed to put it out for bid to be opened at the September 19, 2019 regular meeting.
 - Public Safety (Bowman): No report
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Business

- Tripwire Stormwater Management Enforcement: Mr. Gormont said the Board received a letter regarding the stormwater management issues issuing deadlines that Tripwire will have to meet. Ms. Smith said Tripwire is basically undoing what they did within a time frame that was established.
- 2020 Financial Requirement and Minimum Municipal Obligation: Mr. Updyke moved, seconded by Mr. Patterson, to approve the signing of the financial obligation and minimum municipal requirement obligation for 2020 and payment of \$6,700.00 to the pension plan. Motion carried unanimously.

Other Business (not on the Agenda):

- Adams County Hazard Mitigation Plan Update: Ms. Moyer said the committee had a video conference meeting on July 26, 2019. She indicated that the committee reviewed the four goals from the first meeting and approved them. She said the next meeting will be to review the list of hazards. A worksheet listing the different hazards was distributed to be completed and returned prior to next month's meeting. Ms. Moyer also said that a draft of a survey to be posted on the website should be finalized by September.
- Person requesting to be placed on the agenda: Ms. Moyer said she received a call from Ray Gouker of Community Media wishing to be placed on the agenda for the September 19th meeting. He would like to show a short video and ask for financial support for the station. Mr. Gormont explained that previously Comcast provided funding to Community Media. Comcast has stopped this funding and now Community Media feels the Townships should pay a percentage of the Township's franchise fees. Mr. Gormont said he struggles to take taxpayers dollars to fund something the public can fund is they so wish. He said he does not feel the Board should be making that decision for them. Ms. Smith said she would encourage the Board to have him placed on the agenda. The Board can choose to act on the request, or not. The Board agreed to have him placed on the agenda with no commitment to making any type of monetary support.
- Zoning Issue: Ms. Smith said Ms. Hare had a request for a determination of what the zoning ordinance allows or disallows which she responded to. The individual was asking if it might be a use not provided for because if it is a use not provided for, they can apply for a conditional use. Because it is a use that is provided for the letter went back stating that it is a use provided for, that there are standards that must be met, and their description does not comply with those standards. The requestor has requested a meeting with the administrative staff and counsel. Ms. Smith said in prior circumstances the Board has authorized the staff and solicitor to meet with individuals, provided the requestor pays all costs of that meeting. She said her belief is that they want to present what they want to do, that is not in conformance, and ask what they can do to resolve the issue. She wants to make the Board clear that she is not counsel to private parties. She will not offer them any legal counsel as to what they do next. Mr. Gormont moved, seconded by Mr. Bowman, to allow administrative staff and solicitor to meet with this requestor. Motion carried unanimously. The Board agreed to the meeting and Ms. Hare will send a letter to the requestor, letting them know the Board approved the meeting with the requirement of payment in advance.

Executive Session: None.

Adjournment: With no further business to be discussed by the Board, Mr. Patterson moved, seconded by Mr. Scholle, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sheri L. Moyer
Secretary