

**UPPER OXFORD TOWNSHIP
DECEMBER 10, 2007**

The Upper Oxford Township Board of Supervisors held their regular monthly meeting at the township building, 1185 Limestone Road, Russellville, PA on Monday, December 10, 2007 at 7:00 P.M.

PRESENT: James E. Gordon
Betsy E. Huber
Charles Fleischmann

Jane Daggett, Secretary
John Coldiron, Zoning/Bldg. Inspector
Frances Reyburn, Historic Commission

OTHERS:	Jerry Wilson	Ramona Tubloon
	Ruth Wilson	Bill Schoell
	Alice Fling	Scott Rugen
	Karl and Barb Herr	Janet Robinson
	Christine Nibouar	Steve Hoffman
	Gary Calibey	Bill Hovis
	Andrea Finerosky	Gregory Pettinaro
	Joe Riper	Bob Fling
	Vivian Miller	Iris Dowling
	Sarah and Chris Coburn	Shelley Cook
	Harold Bryson	Samuel Reyburn
	Fran and Franny Sharon	

After the Salute to the Flag, Betsy Huber led in prayer

PUBLIC COMMENTS – At this time, public comments were asked for from the audience. Alice Fling stood and read a letter regarding her views on shopping centers proposed in the township. Scott Rugen requested the Supervisors to consider the human element and impact that a shopping center will have on the township. Bill Schoell added, in his opinion, that the Supervisors voting to amendment zoning ordinances is probably the most important decision that they will make.

MINUTES – Motion was made by Charles Fleischmann, seconded by Jim Gordon and carried to approve the November 12, 2007 Minutes.

Gordon – Yea Huber – Abstained Fleischmann – Yea

ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS – A proposal was received last year from a developer, to amend some zoning ordinances in the C-2 District. The amendments would allow for a larger “anchor store” and impervious coverage to be increased from present amount. After a hearing held for the changes, the Supervisors investigated some surrounding shopping centers. Jim Gordon stated his reasons for not voting for the zoning changes, because he felt the impervious coverage should not be changed to 75%. Betsy Huber stated her reasons for not voting for the zoning changes because she felt that the definitions needed changed or corrected, the terms needed defined in the ordinance, and the maximum paved area needed clarified along with parking standards. Charles Fleischmann then stated that he had no intention of voting for the zoning changes.

Motion was made by Charles Fleischmann, seconded by Betsy Huber to not adopt the zoning changes as proposed.

Gordon – Yea Huber – Yea Fleischmann – Yea

WIGGINS/BAINBRIDGE – Motion was made by Betsy Huber, seconded by Charles Fleischmann and carried to accept and grant an extension of time for the Wiggins/Bainbridge 16 –Lot Subdivision on Pusey Mill Road until February 29, 2008.

Gordon – Yea Huber – Yea Fleischmann – Yea

SHAW/RIDINGS – Motion was made by Charles Fleischmann, seconded by Betsy Huber and carried to accept and grant an extension of time for the Shaw/ridings 37 Lot Subdivision on Newark Road until February 29, 2008.

Gordon – Yea Huber – Yea Fleischmann – Yea

ANTHONY BEILER – Motion was made by Charles Fleischmann, seconded by Betsy Huber and carried to accept and grant an extension of time for the Anthony Beiler 5-Lot Subdivision on Limestone Road for three (3) years.

Gordon – Yea Huber – Yea Fleischmann – Yea

MALLET HILL/FORTUGNO – Motion was made by Charles Fleischmann, seconded by Betsy Huber and carried to accept and grant an extension of time for the Mallet Hill/Fortugno 77-Lot Subdivision on Forest Manor Road until March 14, 2008.

Gordon – Yea Huber – Yea Fleischmann – Yea

RICK RETTIG – Motion was made by Charles Fleischmann, seconded by Betsy Huber and carried to accept and grant an extension of time for the Rick Rettig 2-Lot Subdivision on Homeville Road until March 31, 2008.

Gordon – Yea Huber – Yea Fleischmann – Yea

FINISHLINE LAND DEVELOPMENT – Motion was made by Charles Fleischmann, seconded by Betsy Huber and carried to accept and grant an extension of time for the Finishline Land Development Plan until January 15, 2008.

Gordon – Yea Huber – Yea Fleischmann – Yea

BUDGET – Motion was made by Charles Fleischmann, seconded by Betsy Huber and carried to adopt the 2008 Budget.

Gordon – Yea Huber – Yea Fleischmann – Yea

TAX LEVY – Motion was made by Charles Fleischmann, seconded by Betsy Huber and carried to adopt Resolution No. 2007-13 setting the tax millage rate for 2008 at .0005 mills.

Gordon – Yea Huber – Yea Fleischmann – Yea

ROADS – A road report was presented to the Supervisors for the meeting.

BUILDING/ZONING – John Coldiron read his report for the month.

HISTORIC COMMISSION – Frances Reyburn gave a report on the members attending a seminar regarding “Sears Roebuck” houses. Frances also handed in a Certificate of Accomplishment for the completion of a Historic Resource Atlas.

AG SECURITY ADDITION – The Township has received a proposal from Nelson and Joanne Horst to add 74.2 acres to the present Ag Security District. No action is needed. After 180 days the addition will be automatically approved.

PAYMENT OF BILLS – Motion was made by Charles Fleischmann, seconded by Betsy Huber and carried to approve the payment of bills in the amount of \$476.51 from the Open space fund and \$40,000.41 from the General Fund.

Gordon – Yea Huber – Yea Fleischmann – Yea

COMCAST CABLE – The previous contract called for a \$25,000.00 Bond, Comcast would like to have this changed to \$15,000.00 Bond. This will be tabled until a later date.

VISION PARTNERSHIP GRANT AGREEMENT – Motion was made by Betsy Huber, seconded by Charles Fleischmann and carried to sign the Vision Partnership Grant Agreement with the County and the surrounding townships.

Gordon – Yea Huber – Yea Fleischmann – Yea

ACT 537 – Motion was made by Charles Fleischmann, seconded by Betsy Huber and carried to authorize the Solicitor to advertise the Act 537 Proposal to be acted on in February.

Gordon – Yea Huber – Yea Fleischmann – Yea

ROBERT YODER – questioned the Supervisors on why the Road Master did not have a report. Charles Fleischmann informed Mr. Yoder that the Road Master did send a report for the meeting. Mr. Yoder also wanted to know the status of the recent election and information regarding the Republican Party. He was informed that he should contact Voter Services for the information.

ADJOURNMENT – There being no further business, motion was made by Charles Fleischmann, seconded by Betsy Huber and carried to adjourn at 7:50 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Daggett
Secretary