

**UPPER YODER TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS
AUGUST 7, 2014**

**SPECIAL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING**

MEMBERS PRESENT

EDWARD BARZESKI
ROY SHAFFER
ROBERT AMISTADI
WILLIAM HUSTON
SCOTT HUNT

OTHERS PRESENT

MARY KAY MAHER-TWP SECRETARY

OTHERS: V. Jean Reavel

CHAIRMAN CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 7:00 P.M. WITH THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – JULY 17, 2014 REGULAR MEETING

Roy moved, Bill seconded to approve the minutes as presented. Motion
Carried. 5/0

PERSONS REQUESTING TO BE ON THE AGENDA

JEAN REAVEL/122 OLD HICKORY LANE/NUISANCE COMPLAINT

Jean Reavel addressed the Board concerning her neighbor's property at 118 Old Hickory Lane. The owners are separated, the house is vacant, in foreclosure and is being handled by a legal firm from New Jersey. The grass is being maintained, however, Mrs. Reavel was concerned about the trees that overhang her property from the neighbors. She had obtained a quote from a local company to trim the trees on her side of her property at a cost of \$450 and her attorney said that she is legally permitted to do so. The local company will not trim the trees unless they obtain permission from the responsible party managing the vacant property. She appealed to the Supervisors for direction. They informed her that the Township has no jurisdiction over a civil matter between property owners; however, if the Police know of the responsible party maintaining the property, they will have them get in touch with her. Mrs. Reavel made several attempts to get in touch with the original owners, as well as her attorney, but there was no response from them. If any other information could be obtained on the property, it will be forwarded to her.

APPROVAL OF SUBMITTED BILLS FOR \$6,893.53

Scott moved, Bill seconded to approve the submitted bills for payment in the amount of \$6,893.53. ROLL CALL VOTE: Scott-aye, Bill-aye, Bob-aye, Ed-aye, Roy-aye MOTION CARRIED 5/0

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

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ROAD PAVING CONTRACT NO. 2014-01

The bid opening was held at 3:00 p.m. earlier the same day with only one bid received from Quaker Sales Company for the same amount as the earlier bid - \$256,551.00. The submitted bid, along with the Seal Coating contract would exceed the current budget funds by approx. \$82,000.

Bob moved, Bill seconded not to accept the submitted bid from Quaker Sales for \$256,511.00 because it exceeds the budget parameters. MOTION CARRIED 4/0/1 with Scott abstaining

SEAL COAT CONTRACT NO. 2014-02

Cottle Asphalt Maintenance Company had submitted their requested documents of the Performance Bond, Payment Bond, Certificate of Insurance, and Affidavit for the Workmen's Compensation in reference to their submitted bid for the Seal Coat Contract. All was found to be in order by the Township Solicitor.

Ed moved, Roy seconded to issue a Proceed Order to Cottle Asphalt Maintenance Company for the Seal Coat Contract. MOTION CARRIED 5/0

PLANNING COMMISSION VACANCY

Ed Berkhammer contacted the Township office and informed them he would be interested in accepting an appointment on the Planning Commission Board.

Roy moved, Ed seconded to appoint Edward Berkhammer of 200 Berks Drive to complete the term vacated by Mark Walker on the Planning Commission Board. Ed's term of office will run until 4/1/16. MOTION CARRIED 5/0

THE RIDGE MAINTENANCE

Bob requested the use of the Township's leaf vacuum for the Ridge maintenance. Dave at the Road Department will be contacted for its use.

SCHOOL BUS TURNAROUND/ROAD USAGE

Bob questioned when the previous correspondence was issued to McIlwain Bus Lines, the Westmont Recreation Commission, or the School District concerning the school buses turning around at the Ridge during their school routes. Concerns were the wear and tear on the Ridge road and constant maintenance. Letter will be pulled and reviewed.

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THE RIDGE FIELDS USAGE

The fields at the Ridge are being used by organized leagues and it was not known if they are registered through the new West Hills Recreation Commission. The Board will request the Police Department to check on any organization using the fields to make sure they are registered with the Commission.

SIGNAGE/SUNRAY DRIVE BUILDING

A quote was received from Big City signs to do various signage for the new building. Bob informed the Board that the outside sign was completed, they are working on the inside one.

Bill moved, Ed seconded to issue a check for fifty (50%) percent of the submitted quote for work on the Sunray Drive signage. MOTION CARRIED 5/0

HALLWAY COUCHES/CHAIRS-SUNRAY DRIVE

A quote was received from Ebensburg Office Supply for various chairs/couches that could be used in the hallway of Sunray Drive. The chairs are wood and material of various sizes. Board requested a quote on chairs that are black metallic with vinyl coverings.

NEW BUSINESS

SUNRAY DRIVE RENOVATIONS

A quote was received from C.J. Kist Construction to install 280 feet of new base cove and to patch flooring and install new tile for a quote of \$940.00.

Bill moved, Bob seconded to accept the submitted quote of \$940.00 for renovations on Sunray Drive from C.J. Kist Construction. MOTION CARRIED 5/0

A quote was received from C.J. Kist Construction for new steel door, threshold for the tax office; install a separation wall for the insurance company, and to do electrical work in the insurance company side of the building for \$1,977.00.

Scott moved, Ed seconded to approve the submitted quote of \$1,977.00 for renovations on Sunray Drive from C.J. Kist Construction. MOTION CARRIED 5/0

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - none

ADJOURNMENT – Motion by Bob, seconded by Bill to adjourn the meeting due to lack of business Motion Carried. 5/0

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ADJOURNED – 7:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Mary Kay Maher
Twp. Secretary

**THE NEXT MEETING OF THE UPPER YODER TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS WILL BE HELD ON
THURSDAY, AUGUST 21, 2014 AT 7:00 P.M. AT THE TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL BUILDING**