

Unadilla Township Regular Meeting Minutes
April 13, 2023

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Pledge to flag.

Present: Walker, Topping, Weiland, Cowan, Cox. Absent: None.

Motion Walker support Cox to approve agenda. Carried.

Motion Walker support Cox to approve March minutes. Carried.

Motion Walker support Cowan to approve payment of bills as presented. Carried.

Call to Public: None

Chief Bartus of Stockbridge Village Police was present to give a presentation on hiring a School Resource Officer with a commitment of 3 years. They received a grant of \$31,000 per year for 3 years. Village will contribute and employ in the summer months and they are hoping each jurisdiction that has students will contribute \$25 per child toward hiring the Resource Officer. Unadilla Township currently has 219 students enrolled. Motion Weiland support Walker to approve the commitment of 3 years towards a School Resource Officer for Stockbridge Community Schools. Carried.

Reports: Planning meeting in March approved rezoning of 2 parcels for Buurma Farms from Conservation to Agricultural. They will be meeting next month to review our current commercial solar ordinance to make some changes. Motion Walker support Weiland to put a moratorium on commercial solar projects for 90 days. Carried. Public Safety Chief Russell gave a written report, he also reports the new car has been ordered not expected until October 2023 and they are working on ongoing training. Fire Chief Huse reports there is a statewide burning ban on until it rains. They are working on the 4th of July plans. They held CPR classes and had 7 residents join. They have 2 new hires and report Justin Hoffman is resigning. Recreation Report by Cowan she is looking in to recycling options and possibly grants for recycling. They will be meeting in May 2nd Wednesday at 5:00 p.m. in the Unadilla Park. Discussion on school house project, meeting with contractor Tuesday to discuss options.

Correspondence: Discuss large trash day, waiting to hear from Stockbridge Township if they want to do a spring one and a fall one this year.

Unfinished Business: Show cause updates, Southwell property much improved. Wilson working on permits, Powers also working on permits and Singman has been turned over to attorney.

No updates on broadband waiting to hear on grants.

New Business: Rezoning request from Buurma. Motion Walker support Weiland to approve the rezoning of 2 parcels from Conservation to Agricultural, which was the original intent in the exchange from DNR with prior owner. Parcel 4713-01-100-001 and 4713-01-100-002. Carried.

Final Call to Public: None.

Motion Walker support Weiland to adjourn at 8:00 p.m. Carried.


Linda Topping, Clerk

May 2023

No Meeting

Unadilla Township Regular Meeting Minutes
June 8, 2023

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Pledge to flag.

Present: Walker, Topping, Weiland, Cowan, Cox. Absent: None

Motion Walker support Cowan to approve Agenda as amended. Carried.

Motion Walker support Cox to approve April 2023 minutes. Carried.

Motion Walker support Cox to approve payment of bills as presented. Carried.

Call to Public: None.

Planning Report: Did not meet waiting for attorney solar ordinance updates.

Public Safety: Police Report by Chief Russell, written report given.

Fire Report given by Asst. Fire Chief Smith, 3 new hires, golf outing fund raiser set for September 9th. The fire association bought and installed new flags. They are applying for a DNR grant for equipment.

Recreation Report by Cowan, they will hold a meeting on June 14th at the Unadilla Park at 6:00 p.m. for input on updating recreation plan.

Correspondence: none.

Unfinished Business: Southwell on hold given time to move equipment to new property he's purchased. Wilson working on clean up and permits, Singman was sent to attorney, since has been much improved all the junk in yard removed and mowed. Powers, present to discuss fencing and goals.

Surf Air Broadband updates none at this time, County Broadband updates, they are still planning to hook up our Police and Fire to their loop.

New Business: **Motion** Walker support Cox to go into closed session at 7:30 p.m. to discuss employee negotiations. Carried. **Motion** Walker support Weiland to close closed session and return to regular meeting at 7:37 p.m. Carried.

Motion Walker support Cox to approve resolution allowing Topping to sign road closure permit for 4th of July parade. Carried.

Final Call to Public: Steve Richmond was present to discuss road commission issues, Livermore is having gravel and perma-zyme installed, they are still doing ditching there. He said we need to have any requests for work for next year to them by December. He was quoted approx. \$30,000 to do Cass Street with new gravel and perma-zyme for next year.

Mary Klinke was present from Unadilla Cemetery; she brought the new plat of plots that were surveyed. She quoted Unadilla and Lyndon residents receive a \$100 discount toward plot purchases.

Motion Walker support Cowan to adjourn at 7:50 p.m. Carried.



Linda Topping, Clerk

Unadilla Township Regular Meeting Minutes
July 13, 2023

Meeting called to order at 7:01 p.m.

Pledge to flag.

Present: Walker, Topping, Weiland, Cowan, Cox. Absent: None.

Motion Walker support Cowan to approve Agenda as amended (adding moratorium on large scale solar). Carried.

Motion Walker support Cox to approve the June 8, regular meeting minutes. Carried.

Motion Walker support Cowan to approve the June 8, closed meeting minutes. Carried.

Motion Walker support Cox to approve payment of bills as presented. Carried.

Call to Public: None.

Miller show cause extended to next month, Curvin show cause extended to next month. McCall show cause re: storage on vacant property. They were present to discuss, 2 vehicles have been removed and working on remainder.

Planning report: no meeting in June waiting on language from attorney for solar ordinance.

Police written report received. Fire Report, Beutler stated 2 firemen are enrolled in MFR classes and 3 in the academy. 4th of July went well looking at more fundraisers for fireworks for next year.

Recreation report by Cowan, thanked Levi Weiland for putting together picnic table. They are working on update of Recreation plan that was sent to board members.

Correspondence: GO LIV CO letter received requesting our endorsement of the county trails plan. **Motion** Cowan support Walker to endorse plan.

Unfinished Business: Southwell on hold, Wilson on hold, Powers working on permits, Singman much improved.

Surf Air Broadband updates, the Robin Grant is in its final challenge stage and will know more after August 4th.

County Broadband updates: none to report.

New Business: Ballot box/ tax payment box has been ordered with grant money from election reforms.

Motion Walker support Cowan to extend our moratorium on Large Scale Solar ordinance for an additional 90 days. Carried.

Motion Walker support Weiland to adjourn meeting at 7:30 p.m. Carried.



Linda Topping, Clerk