

UPPER GWYNEDD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

PUBLIC MEETING WORK SESSION AGENDA

April 10, 2023

This meeting will be held in person at the Township and will be live streamed on our website at www.uppergwynedd.org

If you would like to attend the meeting virtually, please dial in to the meeting – **1 929 205 6099**, the meeting ID is **839 6018 0407** and the password is **771317**. You may email questions and/or public comments to mweaver@uppergwynedd.org (Megan Weaver, Assistant Township Manager).

PLEASE NOTE: The Commissioners will be making decisions on the following items: #22 and #23

1. Call to order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call
4. Announcement of Executive Sessions
5. Recognition of Jim O'Mara for 5 years of service to the Township (4/18)
6. Walters Group Presentation (1500 Pennbrook Pkwy.) 4/10
 - Kim Krauter, Director of Development
7. Public comments and concerns (limit of five minutes per individual)

Departmental Reports

8. Manager's Report (Sandra Zadell)
9. Planning and Zoning Report (E. Van Rieker)
 - **ZHB 22-21, 1601 Valley Forge Road (Wawa).** Special Exception to permit the sale of gas and other motor fuels and variances to permit additional signage [and less than 10% of the parking lot to be devoted to landscaping.] This variance has been withdrawn. Started December 2022, testimony concluded April 4, 2023; Decision tentatively scheduled May 23, 2023.
 - **ZHB 23-04: 944 Crest Road** – Variance to permit a porch to extend 6 ft in the required front yard. Approved March 28, 2023
 - **ZHB 23-05, 869 Twinlyn Drive** – Variance to permit a 1-story sunroom to extend 10 ft 8 inches into the rear yard. Approved March 28, 2023
 - **ZHB 23-06, North Penn Auto Service, 1605 Valley Forge Road.** Appeal of Zoning violation for parking and storage of vehicles on 1601 Valley Forge Rd. Continued to June 27, 2023
 - **ZHB 23-07, 104 Barberry Road** – Variance to permit roofed patio to extend 7.5 ft into required rear yard. Approved March 28, 2023
 - **ZHB 23-08, 201 Church Road, Unit C** – special exception to permit the cutting and polishing of granite. Zoned L-I (Limited Industrial). Scheduled April 25, 2023

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- **ZHB 23-09, 983 Allentown Road, Bridge Community Church** – Variance to permit a shed to be located within the 100 ft setback, 25.9 feet proposed. Scheduled April 25, 2023
- **ZHB 23-10, 1238 Dickerson Road** – variances to permit roof over patio in side yard and gazebo in front yard. Scheduled April 25, 2023.
- **ZHB 23-11, Upper Gwynedd Township** – Variance/Interpretation to replace LED panel and variances to permit more than three lines of LED text and more than one color per message.
- **ZHB 23-12, 402 Swedesford Road** – variance to permit the height to mid-point of garage roof of 15 ft. 10 inches where 14 ft. is the maximum permitted. Scheduled April 25, 2023
- **Land Development Plan for development of 10 twin dwelling units (5 buildings) at Moyer Blvd. and West Point Pike.** UGT Planning Commission recommended approval with conditions on January 11, 2023. Approved by BOC March 21, 2023
- **Subdivision Plan for 2 lots, 645 Sumneytown Pike.** UGT Planning Commission recommended approval with conditions on January 11, 2023. ZHB approved 3 units with conditions. Will submit for BOC approval of 2-lot subdivision.
- **1500 Pennbrook Parkway, Walters Group** – TOD residential development. Proposed zoning map overly amendment. (60 DU on 5.7 acres)

10. Engineering Report (Isaac Kessler)

- **Haines Run Streambank Restoration Project** – this project is a large scale streambank improvement project to restore the naturalization and effectiveness of the stream and its floodplain, which improves its ability to have water move through the system and lower the risk of flooding due to obstructions in the waterway. We look forward to having meeting in April and May with Township staff, stakeholders, and residents to review the project and receive feedback from the public.
- **Dickerson Road Drainage Improvements Project** – we have been able to coordinate the three utility companies to schedule their work to resolve the underground conflict in the project area. They are scheduled at the end of April (tentatively 4/26 and 4/27). Following this utility work, the drainage project will be completed by the contractor.
- **Spring Cleanups (MS4 Program)** – with the weather warming and grass growing, please remember to properly dispose of yard waste and any cleaning products. Our Township MS4 Program strives to keep our storm sewer system and waterways clear of items that may clog drains (grass clippings and yard waste) and pollutants (cleaning products or oils). Each resident in the Township is part of the team for our MS4 goals. Thank you!

Denise M. Hull, PRESIDENT Finance/Personnel/Administration

11. Staff Department Reports

[Parks & Rec](#)

[Public Works](#)

[Police](#)

[Zoning](#)

[Code Report](#)

[Eng. – G&A](#)

[Eng. – RVE](#)

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12. [Public Meeting Minutes of March 13, 2023](#)

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13. [Public Meeting Minutes of March 21, 2023](#)
14. [Approval of the Proclamation for Arbor Day 2023](#)
15. [Approval of Proclamation for Library Week 2023](#)

Katherine D. Carter, Vice President **Public Safety**

16. Announcement: Coffee with a cop, April 22nd, 8 am – 10 am
17. Fire Department Grant Announcement

Ruth S. Damsker **Zoning/Planning/Code Enforcement**

18. [Approval of the Merck waiver request from Chapter 113-1 & 124-5 for Sunday work hours at WP50 for equipment installations with crane lifts. Sunday work beginning May 7 – December 17, 2023](#)

Liz K. McNaney **Public Works/Parks/Recreation**

19. [Approval of the Equipment Rental Bid for various Stormwater Projects to Floyd G. Hersh in the amount of \\$313,600](#)
20. [Approval of the Ambler Olympic Club 5K Race on Saturday, August 26, 2023 from 7 am – 12 pm](#)
21. [Approval of the Walk the Wissahickon Event on Saturday, September 30, 2023 from 7 am – 8:30 am and the Wissahickon 5-mile Trail Race on Saturday November 4, 2023 from 7:30 am – 12:00 pm](#)
22. **DECISION:** [Motion to approve Resolution 10-2023: DCNR grant application for Whittaker and Rexdale Park Upgrades](#)
23. **DECISION:** [Motion to ratify the Township's Street Light Procurement Program agreement with Signify.](#)

Martha A. Simelaro **Wastewater Treatment**

24. Approval of Resolution 09-2023, Pre-Treatment Fees for 2022
25. [Approval of the Sanitary Sewer Easement Agreement between Toll Mid-Atlantic, Worcester Township and Upper Gwynedd Township](#)

Other Business

26. Approval of April 2023 Open Invoices (via roll call vote)
27. Approval April 2023 Paid Invoices (via roll call vote)
28. Call for Adjournment