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# JOINT STATEMENT

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## A JOINT STATEMENT FROM UPPER DUBLIN TOWNSHIP AND UPPER DUBLIN SCHOOL DISTRICT

**(FORT WASHINGTON, PA – March 13, 2023)** Administration and Board representatives from Upper Dublin Township and Upper Dublin School District met recently to discuss the Township and Public Works Building projects as well as the School District’s need for a transportation facility. This discussion focused on each organization’s needs, and the timing and costs associated in moving the respective projects forward.

Much of the discussion focused on the Township’s plan for the Public Works building, with all participants seeking to identify whether a viable solution exists to pursue a joint facility at that location. With space on the Township property being extremely limited, there is no opportunity to expand the new facility to include the School District transportation facility needs.

Additionally, in past years, the Township and School District examined the possibility of a joint transportation and Public Works facility in an alternate location that can accommodate the space requirements for each user. The space identified, which would provide enough land to build a joint facility, included use of the Field of Dreams. During the recent meeting, representatives from both groups agreed that the Field of Dreams is not an acceptable location for a facility, given the field’s significance to the community.

Representatives also considered alternate sites around the township. Representatives agreed the financial and logistical constraints of pursuing a location not already owned by the School District or Township is not a viable solution at this time. After thoroughly vetting all possible options, School District and Township representatives concluded that, in this instance, each project must be pursued separately.

The Township Manager and Superintendent reinforced the School District and Township’s commitment to continue the longstanding quarterly meetings, attended by staff and elected representatives, to continue to identify areas in which the Township and School District can work together to reveal opportunities to collaborate on behalf of the residents and taxpayers of Upper Dublin.

Upper Dublin Township  
Board of Commissioners

Upper Dublin School District and  
Board of School Directors