

FRANCONIA TOWNSHIP

REGULAR MINUTES

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Chairman Grey Godshall called the Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors to order on Monday, November 21, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. at the Municipal Building, 671 Allentown Road, Telford, Pennsylvania 18969.

Present were Chairman Grey Godshall, Vice Chairman David Fazio, Supervisor Robert Nice, Supervisor Curtis N. Kratz, and Supervisor Dr. Charles Amuso. Also in attendance were Township Manager Jon Hammer, Chief of Police Joseph Kozeniewski, Township Solicitor Eric Wert, Esquire, Township Engineer Douglas Rossino P.E, and interested residents of Franconia Township.

OPEN MEETING TO THE PUBLIC

Chairman Godshall opened the meeting to the public. Mr. Thomas Wolff, 210 Sandown Court, was present to express his concerns about the stop sign by Leidy's Church. He is requesting that someone take another look at this area and the danger of that intersection. Chairman Godshall stated that this is an issue that Mr. Hammer is currently working with the Township Engineer to identify what can be done. Mr. Rossino reported that due to the sight distance of Cherry Road and the driveway entrance of Leidy's Church, the stop sign must remain at the current location. Mr. Godshall stated that an alternative might be a three way stop and that this issue and possible solutions will be discussed at the next Board of Supervisors Work Session.

Approval of October 17th, 2016 Meeting Minutes

Supervisor Kratz made a motion to approve the minutes from the October 17th, 2016 regular meeting. Supervisor Nice seconded the motion. The motion passed.

PRESENTATION – POLICE BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION

Officer Boyle and Officer Kranich were present to accept a donation check from JBS in the amount of \$3,000 for the shop with a cop program. Officer Boyle explained that these funds would be used to shop for families in need and will be nominated by the school district. Three families will benefit from this program, and the families will have the opportunity to shop for clothes, toys and food.

SOLICITOR’S REPORT – ERIC WERT, ESQUIRE

Mr. Wert explained that the Township’s Zoning Map has been updated to reflect changes that have already been approved and taken place. Supervisor Nice made a motion to approve the revised Zoning Map, updated by Gilmore and Associates, Inc. dated September 30, 2016. Supervisor Kratz seconded the motion, the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Wert then asked for a motion to authorize the appropriate township officials to sell the 2009 Dodge Charger to Wilcox Recycling for the amount of \$400. Supervisor Kratz made the motion, it was seconded by Supervisor Fazio. All were in favor.

POLICE REPORT- DETECTIVE SGT. GEORGE MOYER

Det. Sgt. Moyer submitted the monthly police report. He also reported that the West Broad Street Elementary School held their annual walk to school day on October 5th and there were officers present to assist.

HIGHWAY REPORT- PAUL NICE

Mr. Nice submitted his report and informed the board that the great weather this past month allowed the crew to complete their summer projects. Mr. Nice is now shifting gears and preparing the equipment for the winter.

ENGINEERING REPORT- DOUGLASS C. ROSSINO, P.E.

Mr. Rossino submitted the report and provided an update on the current projects throughout the township. He reported that the rain garden on the grounds of the Paragon project has been regraded and is operating correctly and that the Shoemaker Land Development project is complete.

TREASURER'S REPORT –

Mr. Nice made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report as presented, and to provide authorization for the Treasurer to pay all bills for the respective funds as presented on Voucher No. 16-21-11 in the amount of \$185,410.63, it was seconded by Mr. Fazio. The motion carried unanimously.

PAYROLL

A motion was made by Mr. Nice and seconded by Supervisor Kratz for the Treasurer to be authorized to pay all employees during the current pay period November 21, 2016 through December 18, 2016 according to the hours worked as listed on the Payroll Journal. The motion carried unanimously.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Franconia Township Planning Commission will hold a Regular Meeting on Monday, December 5th, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. at the Franconia Township Municipal Building, 671 Allentown Road, Telford, Pennsylvania 18969.

The next Regular Board of Supervisors meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, December 19, 2016 at the Franconia Township Municipal Building, 671 Allentown Road, Telford, Pennsylvania 18969. The Board of Supervisors Work Session will be held on Monday, December 19, 2016 at 5:00 p.m. at the same location.

Motion to Adjourn

A motion was made by Mr. Fazio and seconded by Mr. Kratz to adjourn the meeting at 7:23 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Beth T. Gooch

Planning and Zoning Coordinator