

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Chairman Steven P. Barndt called the Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Franconia Township to order on Monday, September 20, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. at the Municipal Building, 671 Allentown Road, Franconia, Pennsylvania 18924.

Present were 1st Vice-chairman Grey Godshall, 2nd Vice-chairman W. Keith Freed and Supervisors Drew Darrah and Curtis N. Kratz; Township Manager Kevin D. Bayer; Assistant Township Manager Jamie P. Worman; Sergeant Jeffrey Gower; Township Solicitor Frank R. Bartle, Esquire; Township Engineer Barry Wert, P.E.; Building and Code Inspectors Roger M. Koffel and Jerry Rittenhouse and interested residents of Franconia Township.

OPENING MEETING TO THE PUBLIC

Joe Pisoni, 324 Elmwood Lane spoke to the Board of Supervisors about the possibility of reducing the speed limit on Bergey Road in Belmont Estates from 35 mph to 25 mph. Mr. Pisoni was told that BOS would take it under consideration. Mr. Pisoni also inquired about the paving in the Belmont Estates Development. Mr. Bayer explained that the Township is in litigation with the Bond Company, and is currently waiting to see if the hearing will take place in Federal or County court.

APPROVAL OF AUGUST 2010 MEETING MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. Kratz and seconded by Mr. Godshall to approve the August 16, 2010 Regular Meeting Minutes. The motion carried unanimously.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT – FRANK R. BARTLE, ESQUIRE

A motion was made by Mr. Godshall and seconded by Mr. Freed to approve Resolution 10-31-20-09 - A Resolution Acknowledging the Receipt of 2011 Minimum Municipal Obligation Worksheets from the Township Manager as Prepared by Redmond Consulting, Ltd for Inclusion of Said Obligations for the Non-Uniformed Employees Pension Plan and Police Pension Plan in the 2011 Calendar Year. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Darrah and seconded by Mr. Freed to accept the dedication of easements for 301 Godshall Road as depicted on plans and legal descriptions prepared by Metz Engineers dated August 18, 2010. The motion passed on a vote of 4-0, Mr. Barndt abstained.

Ordinance 368- An Ordinance Amending Chapter 115 [Solid Waste] Article I of the Franconia Township Codebook. A Public Hearing commenced at 7:10 PM. Mr. Bartle explained that this Ordinance is to bring the Township in to compliance with Act 101 and Act 140. A motion was made by Mr. Barndt and seconded by Mr. Darrah to close the Hearing at 7:19 PM. A motion was made by Mr. Barndt and seconded by Mr. Godshall to approve Ordinance #368. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Godshall and seconded by Mr. Freed to authorize the Township Manager and Township Solicitor to prepare and advertise an Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance regarding Use and Occupancy Permits. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Kratz and seconded by Mr. Barndt to accept the proposed Cost-sharing and Cooperation Agreement by the Pennsylvania Stormwater coalition. The motion carried unanimously.

POLICE REPORT – GEOFFREY GOWER

Sergeant Gower submitted the Police report for August 2010.

ZONING REPORT – KEVIN D. BAVER

Mr. Baver submitted his report for August 2010.

HIGHWAY REPORT – PAUL R. NICE

Mr. Nice submitted the Highway report for August 2010.

ENGINEERING REPORT – BARRY L. WERT, P.E.

Mr. Wert submitted his report for August 2010.

TREASURER’S REPORT – KEVIN D. BAVER

A motion was made by Mr. Darrah and seconded by Mr. Godshall 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. 10-20-09 dated September 20, 2010 in the amount of \$281,460.66. The motion carried unanimously.

PAYROLL

A motion was made by Mr. Darrah and seconded by Mr. Kratz for the Treasurer to be authorized to pay all employees during the pay period of September 18, 2010 through October 15, 2010 according to the hours worked as listed on the Payroll Journal for the aforesaid period. The motion carried unanimously.

LAND DEVELOPMENT

No Action

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A motion was made by Mr. Godshall and seconded by Mr. Freed to Adopt Resolution 10-32-20-09 – A Resolution recognizing Fire Prevention Week October 3 – 9, 2010. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Barndt and seconded by Mr. Freed to award the contract for Collection and Disposal of Bagged Municipal Residential Leaf Waste to BFI Waste Services for a two-year contract price of \$47,346.00. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Barndt and seconded by Mr. Freed to authorize Supervisor Steven P. Barndt, Supervisor W. Keith Freed, Supervisor Curtis N. Kratz, Township Manager Kevin D. Baver, Sewer Authority Director George E. Witmayer, and Tax Collector Gerald R. Delong to attend the meeting of the Montgomery County Association of Township Officials to be hosted by Worcester Township on Friday, September 24, 2010. The motion carried unanimously.

The Franconia Township Planning Commission will hold Regular Meetings on Monday, October 4, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. at the Franconia Township Municipal Building, 671 Allentown Road, Franconia, Pennsylvania 18969.

The next Regular Board of Supervisors meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, October 18, 2010 at the Franconia Township Municipal Building, 671 Allentown Road, Franconia, Pennsylvania 18969. The Board of Supervisors Work Sessions will be held on Friday, October 8, 2010 at 7:00 a.m. and Monday, October 18, 2010 at 5:00 p.m. at the same location.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

A motion was made by Mr. Kratz and seconded by Mr. Freed to adjourn the meeting at 7:28 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Kevin D. Baver, Secretary