

**FRANCONIA TOWNSHIP
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Chairman Grey R. Godshall called the Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Franconia Township to order on Monday, April 21, 2014 at 7:04 p.m. at the Municipal Building, 671 Allentown Road, Franconia, Pennsylvania 18969.

Present were 1st Vice-Chairman David B. Fazio; 2nd Vice-Chairman W. Keith Freed; Supervisors Steven P. Barndt and Curtis N. Kratz; Township Manager Kevin D. Baver; Assistant Township Manager Jamie P. Worman; Township Solicitor, Frank R. Bartle; Chief of Police Joseph S. Kozeniewski; Public Works Director Paul R. Nice; Township Engineer Cindy VanHise, P.E.; Building and Code Inspector Jerry Rittenhouse and interested residents of Franconia Township.

OPENING MEETING TO THE PUBLIC

Frank and Luanne Arcaro of 100 Forrest Road addressed the Board of Supervisors in regard to the property at 128 Forrest Road. Mr. Arcaro stated that Mr. Heitz has moved a trailer on his property and appears to be living in it. The issue will be inspected by the township.

Gerald Thiel of 811 Allentown Road inquired about difference between the Zoning Hearing Board and various committees. Solicitor Frank R. Bartle addressed his questions and gave an explanation of the roles for the Zoning Ordinance Committee, Zoning Hearing Board and Zoning Officer. Mr. Thiel expressed his opposition to the proposed re-zoning of the Pilgrims Pride parcel from Industrial to Commercial and submitted his comments. Mr. Godshall thanked Mr. Thiel and told him that when the hearing for this application is slated for action that his submitted opinion will be entered and his comments taken into consideration.

APPROVAL OF MARCH 2014 MEETING MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. Kratz and seconded by Mr. Barndt to approve the March 17, 2014 Regular Meeting Minutes. The motion carried unanimously.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT – FRANK R. BARTLE, ESQUIRE

A motion was made by Mr. Kratz and seconded by Mr. Barndt to authorize the Township to Piggy-Back the 2012 Road Resurfacing Program bid by Whitpain Township on behalf of the Montgomery County Consortium Communities, which has been extended for 2014. The motion carried unanimously.

POLICE REPORT – CHIEF JOSEPH S. KOZENIEWSKI

The Police Report was submitted for March 2014.

ZONING REPORT – KEVIN D. BAVER

Mr. Baver submitted his report for March 2014.

HIGHWAY REPORT – PAUL R, NICE

Mr. Paul Nice submitted his report for March 2014.

ENGINEERING REPORT – CINDY VANHISE, P.E.

Ms. VanHise submitted the Engineer report for March 2014.

TREASURER’S REPORT – KEVIN D. BAVER

A motion was made by Mr. Barndt and seconded by Mr. Kratz 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. 14-21-04 dated April 21, 2014 in the amount of \$321,171.11. The motion carried unanimously.

PAYROLL

A motion was made by Mr. Barndt and seconded by Mr. Kratz for the Treasurer to be authorized to pay all employees during the pay period of April 19, 2014 through May 16, 2014 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. Barndt to hire Randall S. Graber as a Part-Time Patrol Officer effective March 26, 2014. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Freed and seconded by Mr. Kratz to hire Beth T. Gooch as the Code Enforcement Secretary/Receptionist Clerk effective April 21, 2014. The motion carried unanimously.

The Franconia Township Planning Commission will hold Regular meeting on Monday, May 5, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at the Franconia Township Municipal Building, 671 Allentown Road, Franconia, Pennsylvania 18969.

The Franconia Township Officials will conduct a Road Inspection beginning at approximately 8:15 am on Friday, May 9, 2014 from the Franconia Township Municipal Building, 671 Allentown Road, Franconia, PA 18969.

The next Regular Board of Supervisors Meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, May 20, 2014 at the Franconia Township Municipal Building, 671 Allentown Road, Franconia, Pennsylvania 18969. The Board of Supervisors Work Session will be held on Friday, May 10, 2014 and Monday, May 20, 2014 at 5:00 p.m. at the same location.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

A motion was made by Mr. Kratz and seconded by Mr. Barndt to adjourn the meeting at 7:49 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Kevin D. Baver, Ssqecretary