

FRANCONIA TOWNSHIP

REGULAR MINUTES

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Chairman Grey Godshall called the Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors to order on Monday, August 16th, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. at the Municipal Building, 671 Allentown Road, Telford, Pennsylvania 18969.

Present were Chairman Grey Godshall, Vice Chairman David B. Fazio, Supervisor Robert Nice, Supervisor Dr. Charles Amuso, and Supervisor Jill Halteman. Also, in attendance were Township Manager Jon A. Hammer, Township Solicitor Eric Wert, Esquire, Township Engineer Douglas C. Rossino, P.E., Chief Michael Martin and interested residents of Franconia Township.

Open meeting to the Public

Chairman Godshall opened the meeting to the public. No comments were heard.

APPROVAL OF JULY 19, 2021 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Supervisor Nice made a motion to approve the minutes from the July 19th, 2021 Regular Meeting. Supervisor Fazio seconded the motion. The motion passed, 5-0.

SOLICITOR 'S REPORT – ERIC WERT, ESQUIRE

Solicitor Wert opened the public hearing to consider Ordinance 414-21 to amend Chapter 145, Article X, to create a new PO – Professional Office Overlay District and amending the Franconia Township Zoning Map to apply the PO – Professional Office overlay to certain land as advertised and posted. Court Reporter Mary Gladwell was present to record the proceeding. Mr. Wert marked the exhibits. Mr. Joseph Zadlo, Township Land Planner, explained the purpose of the proposed overlay and answered questions from the public in attendance. Chairman Godshall also addressed questions and concerns from various property owners. Mr. Wert asked if the Board wished to take action. Supervisor Nice made the motion for approval. Supervisor Fazio seconded the motion, and all voted in favor, 5-0.

POLICE REPORT- CHIEF MICHAEL MARTIN

The statistical report was submitted prior to the meeting. Chief Martin added that the speed signs are up and he is hoping to get solar powered signs. The Fall Fest will take place on October 9th and 10th and the department is still looking for volunteers. He announced that there will be fireworks Saturday night.

HIGHWAY REPORT-ANTHONY FRYDLEWICZ

Mr. Hammer announced that in Paul Nice's absence, Tony Frydlewicz has stepped in. Mr. Frydlewicz reported that the Lower Road nova chipping is complete. He added that he is still waiting for a new number for the removal of the ash trees to be taken down over at Godshall Pond from a third party.

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

Mr. Rossino stated that the DEP permitting and the NPDES permit for Godshall Pond are administratively complete and the reviews are able to begin. He added that the Peter Becker pocket neighborhood project is ready to break ground and the Hillstone developer is trying to finalize and complete the project. The sidewalk connection on Mininger Road has been installed as well as the pedestrian bridge and walking trails.

TREASURER'S REPORT –

A motion was made by Supervisor Nice and seconded by Supervisor Fazio 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. 21-16-08 dated August 16, 2021 in the amount of \$170,999.35. Mr. Nice reported that it was all normal professional services and standard monthly bills. The motion carried unanimously.

PAYROLL

A motion was made by Supervisor Nice and seconded by Supervisor Fazio for the Treasurer to be authorized to pay all employees during the pay period of August 16, 2021 through September 19, 2021 according to the hours worked as listed on the Payroll Journal for the aforesaid period. The motion carried unanimously.

SUBDIVISION AND LAND DEVELOPMENT

None

FUEL BIDS

Chairman Godshall asked for a motion to advertise for fuel bids as listed on the agenda No. 12 a through d for unleaded gasoline 87.0, unleaded gasoline 89.0, diesel fuel, and no. 2 fuel oil. Supervisor Amuso made such motion. It was seconded by Supervisor Fazio and the motion passed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Franconia Township Planning Commission will hold its regular meeting on Tuesday, September 7th, 2021 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 on Monday, September 20, 2021 at 7:00 pm at the Franconia Township Municipal Building, 671 Allentown Road, Telford Pennsylvania 18969. The Board of Supervisors Work Session will be held on September 20, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. at the same location.

Motion to Adjourn

A motion was made by Supervisor Nice and seconded by Supervisor Fazio to adjourn the meeting at 7:54 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Beth T. Gooch
Director of Planning and Zoning