

FRANCONIA TOWNSHIP

REGULAR MINUTES

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Chairman Godshall announced that The Board had met in executive session prior to the start of the meeting. Solicitor Wert added that items discussed were those of human resources, potential litigation and a real estate acquisition.

Chairman Grey Godshall called the Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors to order on Tuesday, February 22nd, 2022, at 6:08 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., and interested residents of Franconia Township.

Open meeting to the Public

Chairman Godshall opened the meeting to the public. Mr. Steven Boell, 106 Eire Ave, took a moment to thank the Board for appointing him as the representative to the Indian Valley Public Library and he added that he wants to strive for good communication.

APPROVAL OF THE DECEMBER 20, 2021 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Supervisor Fazio motioned for the approval. It was seconded by Supervisor Amuso and all voted in favor.

APPROVAL OF JANUARY 17, 2022 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Supervisor Fazio made a motion to approve the minutes from the January 17th, 2022 Regular Meeting. Supervisor Halteman seconded the motion. The motion passed, 5-0.

SOLICITOR 'S REPORT – ERIC WERT, ESQUIRE

Mr. Wert opened the public hearing to consider Ordinance 416-22. An Ordinance of the Township of Franconia, Montgomery County, Pennsylvania amending the Zoning Ordinance to modify the Institutional District and to amend the zoning map to rezone certain properties from their current classification of R-130 Residential district to the I – Institutional District.

Court reporter Mary Gladwell was present to record the hearing. Mr. Wert entered the exhibits onto the record. He stated that the amendment would move the Continuing Care Use within the Institutional District from a Special Exception to a Conditional Use. This would allow the Board of Supervisors to hear the application in conjunction with land development plans. Mr. Carl Weiner, solicitor for Living Branches, added that Souderton Mennonite Homes has agreed to a deed restriction to limit the height of the buildings, within the first 100 feet of the property along W Reliance Road to a maximum of 40 feet. Mr. Wert asked for any questions or comments from the Board. There were no comments from the Board or the public in attendance. Supervisor Amuso made the motion to adopt the Ordinance. Supervisor Fazio seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous, and the hearing concluded at 6:14 p.m.

Resolution 22-02-22-02 A resolution adopting procedures for the handling of recycling and solid waste disposal violations by haulers, businesses, Institutions, or residents of member municipalities of the Northern Montgomery County Recycling Commission. Supervisor Nice motioned for approval. It was seconded by Supervisor Fazio and the motion carried.

Resolution 22-03-22-02 A resolution authorizing the submission of grant application to Montgomery County's 2040 Grant Implementation Program. Manager Hammer reported that the grant is for up to \$200,000 with a 20% match. It is primarily to be used for local parks, trails, and ADA compliancy. He added that Branchwood Park in in the need of some updating and the addition of cross walks and other safety modifications. The motion to approve was made by Supervisor Fazio and was seconded by Supervisor Halteman. All voted in favor.

POLICE REPORT- SARGENT STEVEN CRONIN

The statistical report was submitted prior to the meeting. Chairman Godshall asked about a number of break-ins throughout the community. Sargent Cronin reported that it is not limited to Franconia and various communities have seen the theft of catalytic converters. Officer Geist responded to call at NF Landis that led to an arrest.

HIGHWAY REPORT-ANTHONY FRYDLEWICZ

The highway report was submitted prior to the meeting. Mr. Frydlewicz thanked the Board for appointing him as the Director of Public Works. He stated that the clearing at Enos Godshall Park will begin next week, along the slope from the parking lot to the water's edge.

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

Mr. Rossino reported that construction on Belton Manor Estates has begun, and the trees are being cleared. Bayard Estates pulled their first building permit, and the job trailer is on site. The JBS parking lot expansion is complete. Chairman Godshall asked for an update on the Myers Farm. Mr. Rossino stated that it is still under review and that the Planning Commission has only recommended preliminary approval at this point

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. 22-22-02 dated February 22, 2022, in the amount of \$239,902.83. The motion passed, 5-0.

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 February 22, 2022, through March 20, 2022, according to the hours worked as listed on the Payroll Journal for the aforesaid period. The motion carried unanimously.

MOTION TO AUTHORIZE BID ADVERTISEMENT

Chairman Godshall made a motion to authorize the Township Manager to prepare specifications and advertise for bids for road material. Said bids are to be opened at 2:00 p.m. on March 17, 2022 at the Franconia Township Municipal Building, 671 Allentown Road, Telford 18969. The bids are for as follows:

- a) Ultra-Thin Bonded Wearing Course, Single Bituminous Seal Coat, Type II Slurry Seal, Polymer Modified Crack Seal and Polymer Modified Fog Seal
 - 1) Polymer Modified Crack Seal – Approximately 6,000 Pounds
 - 2) Ultra-This Bonded Wearing Course – Approximately 14,000 square yards
 - 3) Single Bituminous Seal Coat – Approximately 96,363 square yards
 - 4) Type II Slurry Seal – Approximately 96,363 square yards
 - 5) Sweeping followed by Polymer Modified Fog Seal Application – Approximately 32,563 square yards

- b) Paving Materials
 - 1) Superpave HMA Wearing PG64S-22 0-0.3 million ESAL's 9.5 mm SRL H 1,000 tons
 - 2) Superpave HMA Wearing PG64S-22 .3<3. million ESAL's 9.5 mm SRL H 500 tons

- 3) Superpave HMA Wearing PG64S-22 0-0.3 million ESAL's 19. mm SRL H 1,000 tons
- 4) Superpave HMA Binder PG64S-22 .3<3.million ESAL's 19. mm 500 tons
- 5) Superpave HMA Base PG64S-22 .3<3. million ESAL's 25. mm 100 tons

Supervisor Fazio seconded the motion, and all voted in favor.

SUBDIVISION AND LAND DEVELOPMENT

None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Franconia Township Planning Commission will hold its regular meeting on Monday, March 7, 2022, 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, March 21, 2022, at 6:00 pm at the Franconia Township Municipal Building, 671 Allentown Road, Telford Pennsylvania 18969. The Board of Supervisors Work Session will be held on March 21, 2022, at 5:00 p.m. at the same location.

Motion to Adjourn

A motion was made by Chairman Godshall and seconded by Supervisor Nice to adjourn the meeting at 6:25 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Beth T. Gooch

Director of Planning and Zoning