

FRANCONIA TOWNSHIP

REGULAR MINUTES
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Chairman Grey Godshall called the Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors to order on Monday, July 17th, 2023, at 6:07 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 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 and interested residents of Franconia Township.

Solicitor Wert announced that prior to the start of the meeting the Board met in an executive session to discuss a matter of potential litigation.

Open meeting to the Public

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

APPROVAL OF THE JUNE 19, 2023 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Supervisor Fazio motioned for the approval of the minutes from the June 19th, 2023 meeting. It was seconded by Supervisor Amuso, and all voted in favor, 5-0.

Chairman Godshall asked for a motion to appoint Ben Shearer as Emergency Management Coordinator for Franconia Township. Supervisor Amuso made the motion. Supervisor Fazio seconded the motion, and all voted in favor.

SOLICITOR 'S REPORT – ERIC WERT, ESQUIRE

None

POLICE REPORT- CHIEF MICHAEL MARTIN

Chief Martin submitted the statistical report prior to the meeting. He announced that the police department started the “Blue Envelope” program for anyone in town with special needs. It allows individuals to indicate any communication needs they may have. The

program was initiated by the Montgomery County Police Chief's Association and every county is participating.

HIGHWAY REPORT-ANTHONY FRYDLEWICZ

Mr. Frydlewicz submitted his report prior to the meeting. He added that the Branchwood Park renovations are underway. The fencing has been removed as well as the black top from the basketball courts. Mr. Hammer stated that the contractor is working on the pickle ball courts either this week or early next week. They will need to sit for a month and will be open for use early September.

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

Mr. Rossino submitted his report prior to the meeting. He reported that Souderton Mennonite Homes has started construction and Hopewell Christian Fellowship has received their grading approval.

TREASURER'S REPORT

A motion was made by Supervisor Nice and seconded by Supervisor Halteman 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. 23-17-7 dated July 17, 2023, in the amount of \$1,052,360.80. Mr. Nice reported that half is an open space payment and there are a number of checks for the fire companies. 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 July 17, 2023, through August 20, 2023, according to the hours worked as listed on the Payroll Journal for the aforesaid period. The motion carried unanimously.

SUBDIVISION AND LAND DEVELOPMENT

Resolution 23-06-17-07 A Resolution accepting the dedication of Lincoln Woods, T.H. Properties, Franconia Township, Pennsylvania. Supervisor Fazio motioned for approval. It was seconded by Supervisor Halteman and the motion passed unanimously.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Franconia Township Planning Commission will hold its next Regular meeting on Monday, August 7, 2023, 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, August 21, 2023, 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 August 21, 2023, at 5p.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 6:14 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Beth T. Gooch

Director of Planning and Zoning