

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Chairman Steven P. Barndt called the Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Franconia Township to order on Monday, September 21, 2009 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. Baver;; Chief Joseph Kozeniewski; Township Solicitor Joseph C. Kuhls., Esquire; Township Engineer Barry Wert, P.E.; Building and Code Inspectors Roger M. Koffel and Jerry Rittenhouse and interested residents of Franconia Township. Assistant Township Manager Jamie P. Worman was absent (excused).

OPENING MEETING TO THE PUBLIC

Mr. Thiel, Allentown Road, questioned the zoning ordinance being prepared for advertisement. Mr. Kuhls explained that the change was adding definitions and wind energy facility. He was told that a draft copy of the ordinance would be available for review at the Township building. Mr. Thiel also questioned about a manhole on Godshall Road, Mr. Nice explained that the manhole was repaired.

APPROVAL OF AUGUST 2009 MEETING MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. Kratz and seconded by Mr. Godshall to approve the August 17, 2009 Regular Meeting Minutes. The motion carried unanimously.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT – JOSEPH C. KUHL, ESQUIRE

A motion was made by Mr. Kratz and seconded by Mr. Freed to authorize the Township Manager and Solicitor to prepare and advertise amendments to the Code of Franconia Township relating to definitions of the Following terms; Impervious Surface, Pervious Neutral Surface, Pervious Surface, Slope/Steep Slope/Precautionary Steep Slope/Prohibitive Steep Slope, and Wind Energy Facility.

A motion was made by Mr. Freed and seconded by Mr. Godshall to approve Resolution 09-25-21-09 - A Resolution Acknowledging the Receipt of 2010 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 2010 Calendar Year. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Kratz and seconded by Mr. Godshall to approve Resolution 09-26-21-09 – A Resolution accepting the 5-year PennDot Winter Road Maintenance Agreement and accepting the 2009-2010 Agreement. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Kratz and seconded by Mr. Freed to approve Resolution 09-27-21-09 - A Resolution Providing a Financial Commitment for an Agricultural Conservation Easement on the Yoder Farm. The motion carried unanimously.

POLICE REPORT – JOSEPH KOZENIEWSKI

Chief Kozeniewski submitted the Police report for August 2009. The Chief reported the following:

1. Detective Moyer had been involved with a task force to catch the man and woman who have been committing crimes in Franconia Township. Most crimes were car break-ins.
2. The launch of a new Community Information Service designed to deliver information to resident's cell phones, text, and email. There is no charge to the Township or Township Residents.

ZONING REPORT – KEVIN D. BAVER

Mr. Baver submitted his report for August 2009.

HIGHWAY REPORT – PAUL R. NICE

Mr. Nice submitted the Highway report for August 2009.

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

Mr. Wert submitted his report for August 2009.

TREASURER'S REPORT – KEVIN D. BAVER

A motion was made by Mr. Darrah and seconded by Mr. Freed 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. 09-21-09 dated September 21, 2009 in the amount of \$258,856.64. The motion carried unanimously.

PAYROLL

A motion was made by Mr. Darrah and seconded by Mr. Godshall for the Treasurer to be authorized to pay all employees during the pay period of September 19, 2009 through October 16, 2009 according to the hours worked as listed on the Payroll Journal for the aforesaid period. The motion carried unanimously.

LAND DEVELOPMENT

A motion was made by Mr. Freed and seconded by Mr. Godshall to approve Resolution 09-28-21-09 – A resolution granting Conditional Preliminary/Final Approval for the Greystone Organization (PSM Properties LP) Subdivision/Land Development and the property situated at the West side of Schoolhouse Road, South of the Lower Road Intersection (#02-09)-310 Schoolhouse Road. The motion carried unanimously.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A motion was made by Mr. Barndt and seconded by Mr. Kratz to Adopt Resolution 09-29-21-09 – A Resolution recognizing Fire Prevention Week October 4 – 10, 2009. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Barndt and seconded by Mr. Kratz to authorize Supervisor Steven P. Barndt, Supervisor W. Keith Freed, Supervisor Drew Darrah, Township Manager Kevin D. Bayer, Assistant Township Manager Jamie P. Worman, and Tax Collector Gerald R. Delong to attend the meeting of the Montgomery County Association of Township Officials to be hosted by Franconia Township on Friday, September 25, 2009. The motion carried unanimously.

The Franconia Township Planning Commission will hold Regular Meetings on Monday, October 5, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. at the Franconia Township Municipal Building, 671 Allentown Road, Franconia, Pennsylvania 18924.

The next Regular Board of Supervisors meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, October 19, 2009 at the Franconia Township Municipal Building, 671 Allentown Road, Franconia, Pennsylvania 18924. The Board of Supervisors Work Sessions will be held on Friday, October 9, 2009 at 7:00 a.m. and Monday, October 19, 2009 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 7:22 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Kevin D. Bayer, Secretary