REGULAR MINUTES BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Chairman Grey Godshall called the Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors to order on Monday, April 17th, 2023, at 6:05 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.

Open meeting to the Public

Chairman Godshall opened the meeting to the public.

Mr. Kyle Rodgers, resident of 440 Godshall Road and local pastor in the township, was present to express concern of the content available at the Indian Valley Public Library that can be checked out by children without parental consent. He stated that the library is no place for pornography and is requesting that the Board take action to allocate money towards checking ages of children accessing these books. Chairman Godshall stated that as a board funding for the year was approved back in September of 2022. He added that further investigation of usage, funding from the School District and to understand better what books are selected will need to take place.

Mr. Nate Lester, 745 Hunsicker Road, stated that as a parent, it is our job to protect our children and asked that maybe the tax money could be reallocated.

Mr. Jay Schisler stated that this is a Christian Community, and it is a really important issue and asked the Board to let the Library know how they feel about it.

Mr. Jason Shelly, 111 Memory Lane, asked about the amount of information needed to make any decisions. He requested that a sense of urgency be placed on this issue. Chairman Godshall asked for a motion to offer a conditional offer of employment to David Matozzo for the position of Patrol Officer. Supervisor Fazio made the motion, and it was seconded by Supervisor Halteman. The motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF THE MARCH 20, 2023 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Supervisor Amuso motioned for the approval. It was seconded by Supervisor Fazio, and all voted in favor, 5-0.

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 there will be another drug take back day on Saturday held at Franconia Elementary and that three officers have completed the advanced specialized police bicycling course training.

HIGHWAY REPORT-ANTHONY FRYDLEWICZ

Mr. Frydlewicz submitted his report prior to the meeting. He provided an update on the Enos Godshall Park project. The area has been cleared of dead trees, the pond water and sediment removed, the outfall structure has been installed as well as a storm pipe. He added that the department still needs to dig out the spill way, install Geo tech style fabric, stone and amended soils. The trees and shrubs will be planted and hopefully the project will be completed by the end of the year. Chairman Godshall asked about adding the replacement of the bridge to the project.

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

Mr. Rossino submitted his report prior to the meeting. The Lincoln Woods development has received its second final punch list, a resubmission has been made for the Allebach Tract, and NCC Automated has started construction.

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. 23-17-4 dated April 17, 2023, in the amount of \$292,415.85. Mr. Nice reported that it included the purchase of a piece of new equipment for \$140,000. 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 April 17, 2023, through May 14, 2023, according to the hours worked as listed on the Payroll Journal for the aforesaid period. The motion carried unanimously.

SUBDIVISION AND LAND DEVELOPMENT

None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Franconia Township Planning Commission will hold its next Regular meeting on Monday, May 1, 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, May 15, 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 May 15, 2023, at 5p.m. at the same location.

Motion to Adjourn

A motion was made by Supervisor Fazio and seconded by Supervisor Halteman to adjourn the meeting at 6:30 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Beth T. Gooch Director of Planning and Zoning