

February 19, 2019

The Franklin Township Supervisors met on the above date at the Franklin Township Administration Building located at 889 Fairyland Road. Township Officials present were Supervisors Jason Frey, Robin Cressley, Barbara Beltz, and Secretary-Treasurer Brenda Neeb; a list of others in attendance at the meeting is attached to the Minute Book. Chairman Frey called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m., and led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

Barbara Beltz made a motion approving the minutes from the January 15, 2019 Township Meeting. Robin Cressley seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Secretary's Report- the Secretary announced that the garbage bills were mailed out, and if anyone did not receive a bill they should contact the Township Office. The Secretary also announced that there will be an E-cycling Event held on June 8, 2019 (9:00 a.m. -12:00 p.m.). The township residents were reminded that they should not plow/shovel snow onto the Township Roadways.

Treasurer's Report – Barbara Beltz made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report. Robin Cressley seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Zoning Officer- No Report Received

UCC Building Code Official - No Report Received

Police Reports – Chief Jason Doll submitted the police department's January Criminal Activity Report from 12/31/18-1/26/19. (Copy on file)

Fire Chief's Report – Fire Chief Lynn Diehl submitted the January 2019 monthly report for the Franklin Township Volunteer Fire Co. (Copy on file)

Fire Police Reports – The Franklin Township Fire Police submitted their monthly report for January 2019. (Copy on file).

Central Carbon Municipal Authority – No Report Received.

Franklin Township Lions Club – Received the January 2019 Newsletter.

Robin Cressley and Barbara Beltz moved to approve and accept all reports submitted.

Communications -

Received a letter from the Pohopoco Rod and Gun Club listing the projects they completed during the year of 2018 and mentioned that the Fishing Contest last year was a success. Received the 2018 fourth quarter (October-December) and the 2018 annual (January-December) investment report(s) for the Franklin Township Police Pension Plan(s) from Girard (Univest Municipal Pension Services), included with this report was the Scope of Services document and the revenues paid by the Plan (s) to Univest as of December 31, 2018; and a copy of the quarterly Girard Pension Services, LLC effective January 1, 2019) invoice that was paid by our plan; Copies were given to each Supervisor; Pennsylvania One Call 2018 rate structure; Approval letter from DEP granting the township the ability to hold an electronic recycling collection day on June 8th and October 26, 2019; Received emails from, PSATS, LTAP, NEPA, Delaware & Lehigh National Heritage Corridor, and PennDot

Citizen Participation –

Barry Reed representing the Pohopoco Rod and Gun Club was present to ask the Board of Supervisors for permission to hold their (9th) annual youth fishing day on Sunday, May 19, 2019 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 pm. at the Phifer's Ice Dams Park. The Pohopoco Rod and Gun Club along with the Franklin Township Lions Club are requesting to have the largest dam located at the Phifer's Ice Dam (the stocked pond only) be restricted to only have youth ages fifteen (15) and younger allowed to fish at the pond. They are requesting that the "stocked only" pond be closed for thirty (30) days from May 11, 2019 – June 10, 2019. He said as in the past Scott Christman, Waterways Conservation Officer of the PFBC has volunteered to help enforce the restriction and will obtain the proper approval forms from the PFBC. Mr. Reed said with the combined effort, of the Pohopoco Rod and Gun Club and the Franklin Township Lions' Club they will post the signage around the pond indicating to the public the restrictions. Each participant will receive a free hotdog and drink. He also reported that the grass carp stocked in the dam have done a great job eating the underwater vegetation and has made the water more "fishable". Their goals are to encourage the youth and their families to participate in outdoor activities like fishing and also to give back to the Franklin Township Community. He thanked the Supervisors for allowing them to hold this event and for the use of the administrative office to hold their monthly meetings. Supervisor Cressley thanked Mr. Reed and wished their club continued success.

Unfinished Business - NoneNew Business-

Barbara Beltz made a motion to approve the Pohopoco Rod and Gun Club's ninth annual Youth Fishing Day on Sunday, May 19, 2019 between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. Robin Cressley seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Robin Cressley made a motion to approve the Franklin Township Lions Club request to hold their annual "Kids Fishing Contest at Phifer's Ice Dam on May 11, 2019 and to close/restrict the fishing at the upper dam be limited to any youth fifteen (15) years of age and under for thirty (30) days beginning May 11, 2019 and commencing on June 10, 2019 at 12:00 a.m.; and allow for signs to be posted along the dam to inform the public. Barbara Beltz seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

New Business Cont'd -

Opening of Bids for 10,000 Gal Low Sulfur Diesel Fuel & 6,000 Gal. Heating Oil – No bid proposals were received. Barbara Beltz made a motion to re-advertise bids for 10,000 Gal Low Sulfur & 6,000 Gal. Heating Oil (Prices are to be in effect on March 19th), Escalator Clause in effect, bids to be opened at the March 19, 2019 Township Meeting. Robin Cressley seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Opening of Bids for 10,000 Gal 87 Octane No/Lead Gasoline At-the-Pump – No bid proposals were received. Robin Cressley made a motion to re-advertise bids for 10,000 Gal 87 No/Lead Gasoline (At-the-Pump prices in effect on March 15th), Escalator Clause in effect, bids to be opened at the March 19, 2019 Township Meeting. Barbara Beltz seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Barbara Beltz made a motion to grant JDY Properties LLC (Blue Mountain Machine) waiver/modification request #1 –

SALDO Section 403- The initial plan filed with the commission after the sketch plan shall be considered preliminary plan

The waiver requested is to combine the Preliminary and Final Plan submission. The plans include both a 2-lot subdivision and land development. Lot #1 will only be developed. No stormwater improvements are required since the development is on existing impervious area. Robin Cressley seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Robin Cressley made a motion to grant JDY Properties LLC (Blue Mountain Machine) waiver/modification request #2-

SALDO Section 619- All access drives and parking and loading areas for commercial and industrial land developments shall be constructed of a minimum of 7 inches of 2A subbase material, 6 inches crushed aggregate base course, 1 ½ inches of binder course, and 1 inch of wearing course.

The waiver requested is to provide the required paving specification in the parking area only. The remaining area would contain a stable stone subbase only. Barbara Beltz seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Barbara Beltz made a motion to grant JDY Properties LLC (Blue Mountain Machine) waiver/modifications request #3 –

SALDO Section 507- The developer shall improve Fairview Street through the project site to meet Minor Street Classification.

The waiver requested is for the upgrading of Fairview Street. The section of Fairview Street that runs through the project site is a 22-23 foot wide concrete and paved road. Ordinance requires a 20-foot cartway with 3-foot shoulders. Robin Cressley seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

New Business Cont'd-

Robin Cressley made a motion to grant JDY Properties LLC (Blue Mountain Machine) waiver/modifications request #4-

SALDO Section 507- Additional street right-of-way shall be dedicated to the Township for State Road to meet minimum 25-feet from the street centerlines for the requirement of a minor street.

The waiver requested is for a portion of the property on Lot 1 from the additional street right-of-way dedication. The site is hindered by an existing utility line traversing the property and proposed development will be on an existing developed area. Barbara Beltz seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Barbara Beltz made a motion to grant JDY Properties LLC (Blue Mountain Machine) waiver/modification request #5 -

SALDO Section 702- Sheet size shall either 18 x 22 inches or 36 X 44 inches.

The waiver requested to utilize plan sizes of 24 x 36 inches due to recording requirements at the county. Robin Cressley seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Robin Cressley made a motion to approve the Agility Agreement with PennDot retroactive from February 1, 2019. Barbara Beltz seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

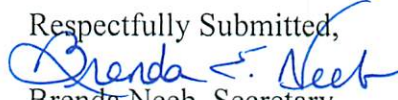
Robin Cressley made a motion to appoint Tracy Herman as Franklin Township's Alternate Zoning Officer for the year of 2019. Barbara Beltz seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Citizen Participation –

Township resident Larry Williams was present and asked if the Board of Supervisors received any complaints about the rocks etc. that the property owners have placed along the intersection of Long Run Road and Fairyland Road. The Supervisors said they did not receive any complaints. The property owners have expressed their safety concerns and have requested PennDot make that intersection a three (3) way stop. We have not received a response for that request to date.

Questions from the Press – None Present

Barbara Beltz made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:10 p.m. Robin Cressley seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Brenda Neeb, Secretary