

May 18, 2021

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, and Barbara Beltz; and Secretary Brenda Cressley; 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 to approve the minutes of the April 20, 2021 Township Meeting. Robin Cressley seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Secretary's Report –

The Secretary announced there would be a change for Memorial Day's garbage collection. Monday, May 31st will be picked up on Tuesday, June 1st.

An Executive Session was held on May 4, 2021 at 5:30 p.m. regarding a Zoning Matter.

Supervisor Beltz attended a meeting on May 12th at 10:30 a.m. located at the Beltzville State Park to discuss the operations plan and updated response to the ongoing crowding and traffic issues, Officer Roberts also attended the meeting.

Supervisor Frey added there was a meeting held on May 18, 2021 at 5:30 p.m. to discuss matters regarding the Lloyd Otto, LLC campground, present was Supervisor Frey, Atty. Nanovic, Greg Haas, Tracy Herman, Paul Jarrett, and the owners and representatives from Lloyd Otto LLC.

Treasurer's Report – Robin Cressley moved to accept the Treasurer's Report. Barbara Beltz seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Zoning Report - Zoning Officer Tracy Herman submitted her report from 4/16/2021 through 5/13/2021. Revenue from Zoning Permits: \$630.19. Variance Application fees - \$0.00. Copy of report is on file.

UCC Building Code Official – Paul Jarrett submitted his reports from 4/16/2021 through 5/18/2021. Revenue from Building Permits: \$250.00. Copy is on file.

Fire Chief's Report – Fire Chief Lynn Diehl submitted the April, 2021 report for the Franklin Township Volunteer Fire Company, as well as for the Fire Police. Copies are on file.

Police Report – Chief of Police Jason Doll submitted the Police reports to the Board of Supervisors from 4/4/21 to 5/1/21. Copies are on file.

Road Crew Report – Report given 5/2/21- 5/15/21

Central Carbon Municipal Authority – Ronald Solt submitted the CCMA minutes and reports from the April 19, 2021 meeting.

Franklin Township Lions Club – Received May 2021 report/newsletter. Copy is on file.

SEO Reports – Scott Bieber submitted the SEO Report from 2/9/21 – 5/6/21.

Communications-

Received the 2021 first quarter account statement(s) for the Police Pension Plan from Girard Pension Services, LLC Investment Advisory Agreement from Nationwide as our Plan Custodian, also received a copy of the quarterly invoice from Girard Pension Services which was paid by our plan; All Supervisors received a copy of same; Received a copy of the approved eContract document from DCED granting us an extension for the MAP grant regarding the updated Joint SALDO and ZONING Ordinances until May 22, 2022; Letter from Siana Law- informing the Township that the Buskirk-Henritz lawsuit was dismissed against the Township; Notification from KCE –Steven Hawk that Mieczyslaw & Ewa Klecha is applying for an NPDES Permit to continue earth disturbance in the residential subdivision “Homestead in the Pines” for the remaining six (6) lots;

Citizen Participation -

Township Residents Jim Bestider and Phil Balliet were presented to voice their concerns on the speeding in their development especially on Mill Run Drive. He asked the Supervisors if they would install Stops Signs at Acorn Drive, Mill Run Drive, and Pine Cone Drive to control the speeding problem Supervisor Cressley said he will talk to the Township Engineer regarding the sign requests. Mr. Bestider also asked “Why the hiring of another police officer was killed.” The Supervisors explained the hiring of another police officer was not killed they decided for budget reasons they cannot hire another full time officer until next year. Barbara Beltz also noted the Township advertised three times to hire part-time police officers we received no applicants until the most recent advertisement, we received to date two (2) applicants and will begin the interview process as soon as possible. Mr. Bestider also informed the Supervisors that he is a certified fire arms instructor and is willing to volunteer his time to assist the police department when certifying police officers.

Residents from Fresh Meadow Drive in Franklin Township were present to voice their concerns about the upcoming summer season at the Beltzville State Park and the parking issues. Resident Clinton Hawk expressed his concerns because last year (2020) people were parking on their road and then walking into the State Park. The residents along Fresh Meadow Drive do not want this to happen again this year and suggested that the Township have NO PARKING signs placed along Fresh Meadow Drive. Kelli Carpenter asked if the Township could close Pohopoco Drive at Grange Road. Supervisor Beltz attended a meeting on what the Beltzville State Park has planned to contain the parking problems etc. for this year (2021). She said they plan on not letting anyone walk-in, they will have no overflow parking (the soccer field will be closed), they are barricading the cove entrances, hiring additional rangers from other State Parks, installing fencing, letting the grass/weeds grow along Pohopoco Drive to prevent people from parking along the road, and using social media (twitter, facebook etc.) to advertise when the Park is at full capacity.

Citizen Participation cont'd -

Township Resident, Larry Williams was present to voice his concerns again on speeding throughout the Township notably Long Run Road, Indian Hill Road, Union Hill, and Forest Street. He said he was told by the Board that things would get better. He said they were getting better but now is worse again. The Supervisors explained we had a part-time officer who was working thirty-two (32) hours per week but went elsewhere for a full-time position and we are now in the process of interviewing for more part-time police officers.

Old Business – None

New Business -

Opening of Bids for Road Materials – Only one (1) bid was received. The sole bidder was from Lehigh Asphalt Paving & Construction Co., Tamaqua, Pa. ROAD MATERIAL bid was opened and read as follows:

Franklin Twp.
MS-963

SCHEDULE OF PRICES - MATERIALS

ATTACHMENT #1

Lehigh Asphalt Paving & Construction, Co., Inc.
BIDDER NAME: _____

1	2	3*	4**	5	6	A	7	8	8***	C
Item No.	Approx. Quantity	Unit	Description	Remarks and/or Delivery Dates	Unit Price FOB Plant	Total (2 x 6)	Unit Price Delivered at Job Site	Total (2 x 7)	Unit Price Delivered as Directed	Total (2 x 8)
1	2,600	Tons	Superpave WMA 9.5 mm PG64S-22, Wearing Course, 0.0 to 0.3 million ESAL's, SRL-L	FOB Plant and FOB Delivered to the Twp. Paver	\$ 56.00	\$ 140,000.00			\$ 64.50	\$ 161,250.00
2	100	Tons	Superpave WMA 9.5mm PG 64S-22, Wearing Course, ANY ESAL, SRL-ANY	FOB Plant and FOB Delivered to the Twp. Paver	\$ 55.00	\$ 5,500.00			\$ 63.50	\$ 6,350.00
For additional instructions see the "Additional Instructions and Special Conditions for MS-963" sheets										
Source Location:				Andreas	* 21 ton minimum delivery					
Mileage one way to the Twp. Bldg.:				12.1 miles						

*Gallons-Tons-Feet-etc. **Includes Class-Size-Diameter ***For Bituminous or other Pavements in Place, Use Form MS-944

Use of Cutback Asphalt is Prohibited Between May 1st and October 31st Except as Noted in Bulletin No. 25.

All Columns Must Be Completed Unless Otherwise Indicated.

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3	200	Tons	Superpave WMA 9.5 mm PG 64S-22, Wearing Course, 0.0 to 0.3 million ESAL's, SRL-L	FOB Plant and FOB Delivered to the Twp. Paver	\$ 56.00	\$ 11,200.00			\$ 64.50	\$ 12,900.00
4	300	Tons	AASHTO#1 Stone	FOB Plant and FOB Delivered as Directed to the Twp Garage or Alternate Site	\$ 13.35	\$ 4,005.00			\$ 18.50	\$ 5,550.00
5	1,600	Tons	PennDOT Anti Skid AS2, AS3, or AS4	FOB Plant and FOB Delivered as Directed to the Twp Garage	\$ 13.50	\$ 21,600.00			\$ 18.70	\$ 29,920.00
For additional instructions see the "Additional Instructions and Special Conditions for MS-963" sheets										
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Mileage one way to the Twp. Bldg.:										

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6	100	Tons	AASHTO #57 with 1% Wash	FOB Plant and FOB Delivered as Directed to the Twp Garage	\$ 13.50	\$ 1,350.00			\$ 18.65	\$ 1,865.00
7	800	Tons	PennDOT 2A Aggregate	FOB Plant and FOB Delivered as Directed to the Twp Garage or Alternate Site	\$ 10.95	\$ 8,760.00			\$ 16.20	\$ 12,960.00
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8	150	Tons	AASHTO #8	FOB Plant and FOB	\$ 18.50	\$ 2,775.00			\$ 23.65	\$ 3,547.50	
			with 2% Loss by Wash	Delivered as Directed							
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Robin Cressley made a motion to award the contract for Road Materials to the lone bidder Lehigh Asphalt Paving and Construction Co. He noted the prices per ton was around the same price, but the antiskid was a little higher than 2020's bid price. Barbara Beltz seconded the motion.

Opening of Bids for Seal Coat on various roads within Franklin Township 25,411 SY of Single Bituminous Seal Coat) – Two (2) bid proposals were received. They were opened and read as follows:

THIS PORTION TO BE COMPLETED BY THE MUNICIPALITY

DESCRIPTION OF WORK:

As indicated below and in Attachments 1-A
 Contractor is to place either a Single or Double Bituminous Seal Coat using a Polymer Modified Emulsion, CRS-2PM (E-3M) or RS-2PM (E-2M) and #8 Stone with a 1.0% Loss by Wash. All material to be complete in place in conformance with PENNDOT Pub. 408, Section 470.

ESCALATOR CLAUSE: (If adopted by the Municipality)

Contract contains an Escalator Clause for quantities of bituminous material of less than 100 tons of asphalt cement including asphalt cement residue contained in emulsions or cutbacks. PennDOT Pub. 408, Section 110.04 will apply to quantities of bituminous materials greater than 100 tons of asphalt cement including asphalt cement residue contained in emulsions or cutbacks. (See Attachment 1-A for more information)

SCHEDULE OF PRICES

1. Item No.	2. Approximate Quantities	3. Units	4.*Description	5. Unit Price	6. Total
BASE BID ROAD(S)					
1.	13,294	SY	T-438 Overlook Drive from SR-2015 Fairyland Road to T-416 Indian Hill Road Single Bituminous Seal Coat using a Polymer Modified Emulsion and #8 Stone with a 1.0% Loss by Wash, Surface Category Condition "C", ADT 100-500	1.95	25,923.30
2.	9,165	SY	T-416 Indian Hill Road from T-438 Overlook Drive to SR-2015 Long Run Road Single Bituminous Seal Coat using a Polymer Modified Emulsion and #8 Stone with a 1.0% Loss by Wash, Surface Category Condition "C", ADT 100-500	1.95	17,871.75
*DESCRIPTION Must include ADT on Wearing surfaces. USE OF CUTBACK ASPHALT IS PROHIBITED BETWEEN MAY 1 st and OCTOBER 31 st EXCEPT AS NOTED IN BULLETIN NO. 25.				SUBTOTAL	43,795.05
				SUBTOTAL(S) FROM OTHER ATTACHMENT(S)	5,756.40
				TOTAL AMOUNT OF BIDS	49,551.45

Shiffer Bituminous Service Co.- Bid:

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ADDITIONAL BID ROAD(S)					
3.	2,952	SY	T-432 Spruce Street from T-416 Indian Hill Road north for 1,220' Single Bituminous Seal Coat using a Polymer Modified Emulsion and #8 Stone with a 1.0% Loss by Wash, Surface Category Condition "D", ADT <100	1.95	5,756.40
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Asphalt Maintenance Solutions LLC (AMS)- Bid:

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2.	9,165	SY	T-416 Indian Hill Road from T-438 Overlook Drive to SR-2015 Long Run Road Single Bituminous Seal Coat using a Polymer Modified Emulsion and #8 Stone with a 1.0% Loss by Wash, Surface Category Condition "C", ADT 100-500	\$ 1.81	\$16,588.65
*DESCRIPTION Must include ADT on Wearing surfaces. USE OF CUTBACK ASPHALT IS PROHIBITED BETWEEN MAY 1 st and OCTOBER 31 st EXCEPT AS NOTED IN BULLETIN NO. 25.				SUBTOTAL	\$40,650.79
				SUBTOTAL(S) FROM OTHER ATTACHMENT(S)	
				TOTAL AMOUNT OF BID	

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*DESCRIPTION Must include ADT on Wearing surfaces. USE OF CUTBACK ASPHALT IS PROHIBITED BETWEEN MAY 1 st and OCTOBER 31 st EXCEPT AS NOTED IN BULLETIN NO. 25.				SUBTOTAL	\$ 5,343.12
				SUBTOTAL(S) FROM OTHER ATTACHMENT(S)	\$ 40,650.79
				TOTAL AMOUNT OF BID	\$ 45,993.91

Robin Cressley made a motion to award the bid for approximately 25,411 SY Single Bituminous Seal Coat to the low bidder, Asphalt Maintenance Solutions LLC (AMS). Barbara Beltz seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

New Business Cont'd-

Barbara Beltz made a motion to approve the encroachment permit from Blue Ridge Cable Technologies to bore under TR 538 (Fresh Meadow Drive) to replace the bad television cable. Robby Cressley seconded motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Robin Cressley made a motion to approve the request from Franklin Township's Police Chief, Jason Doll for Heart & Lung Benefits retroactive to beginning request date of May 12, 2021. Barbara Beltz seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Barbara Beltz made a motion to approve the request from the Franklin Township's Fire Chief, Lynn Diehl to participate in the following parades:

5/31/21- Memorial Day Parade- Summit Hill

6/6/21 – Fire Company's Car Show

6/10/21 – LAHS Senior Graduation Parade, Lehighton

6/12/21 – 150 Anniversary Parade – Walnutport

6/26/21- Six County Fireman's Parade – White Haven

7/30 & 7/31/21 – Franklin Fire Co., Block Party- Fireworks

Robin Cressley seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Robin Cressley made a motion to sign the Cooperation Agreement for the FY 2020 CDBG contract with the County of Carbon. Barbara Beltz seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Robin Cressley made a motion to approve the purchase of a 60" Riding Lawn Mower per the 2021 General Fund Budget. Barbara Beltz seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Robin Cressley made a motion to approve Towamensing Township's paving project which includes the paving of a portion of two (2) roads located in Franklin Township (Frankie & Gallaher Drive); the bid was awarded to and will be completed by H & K Group Inc.; Motion to reimburse Towamensing Township the amount of \$14,564.08 for the paving on Frankie & Gallaher Drive upon the satisfactory completion of this road project paid out of Liquid Fuels Money. Barbara Beltz seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Barbara Beltz made a motion to approve the Patricia Beltz Final Lot Line Adjustment (Subdivision) Plan pending receipt of the Franklin Township Planning Commission's meeting minutes. Robin Cressley seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Supervisor Cressley suggested that we look into the possibility of implementing a Fire Tax for the sole purpose of donating the tax revenue to the Fire Company. He said the Volunteer Fire Company is in desperate need of replacing a thirty (30) year old Fire Truck which they do not have the funds to be able to purchase this new piece of equipment. This matter will be further discussed in the near future.


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Public Comment – None

Questions from the Press- None

Barbara Beltz made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 p.m. Robin Cressley seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.


Respectfully Submitted,
Brenda Cressley, Secretary