

November 20, 2018

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 Brenda Neeb. An attendance sheet listing all others present is attached to the Minute Book. Chairman Jason Frey called the meeting to order at 6:40 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 October 16, 2018 Township Meeting. Robin Cressley seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Barbara Beltz made a motion approving the minutes from the November 14, 2018 Budget Workshop Meeting. Robin Cressley seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Secretary's Report - Noted if any Township Resident would be interested in becoming a Franklin Township Planning Commission Member please contact the Township Administration Office.

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

Zoning Report - Zoning Officer Paul Jarrett submitted his report from 10/22/18 through 11/12/18. Revenue from Zoning Permits: \$231.60. Variance application fees- \$0.00 (Copies are on file)

UCC Building Code Official - Received report from Paul Jarrett, Building Code Officer from 10/22/18 through 11/12/18. Administrative fees turned in with report: \$450.00 (Copies are on file)

Fire Chief's Report - Fire Chief Lynn Diehl submitted the October, 2018 report for the Franklin Township Volunteer Fire Co. and Francis Kresge submitted the October 2018 report for the Fire Police. Copies are on file.

Police Report- Chief Jason Doll submitted the Police report from 10/7/18-11/3/18.

Central Carbon Municipal Authority – October 15, 2018 Meeting Minutes, along with Crowder Jr. Company reports on preventative maintenance service of generators at our pump stations.

Franklin Township Lions Club Report- Franklin Township Lions Newsletter for November 2018 was submitted.

Communications –

Univest Municipal Pension Services submitted the third quarter investment reports from July 1, 2018 to September 30, 2018 for the Franklin Township Police Pension Plan; Received the Scope of Services document for Franklin Township Police Pension Plan; A copy of the third quarter TCG Investment Advisory, Inc. paid invoice, (Supervisors received copies of the third quarter reports); Received the 2016 DEP 904 Performance Grant from the Commonwealth of Pa in the amount of \$1,396.00; EMAILS from: PSATS News Bulletin, DEP, and LTAP.

Citizen Participation

Daniel Sell owner of the property located at 10 Fairyland Road was present to request the Township's assistance in obtaining a three (3) way Stop Intersection and guardrails at the intersection located at Fairyland Road, Long Run Road, and Canal Street. He spoke to a representative from PennDot and was told they would have to begin by having an engineering study done. PennDot also advised him they would need a letter from Franklin Township recommending that an additional Stop Sign is needed at this intersection. Mr. Sell said he recently was taking a tree down near this intersection and was nearly hit because of vehicles cutting the corner short. He feels with another Stop Sign installed and guardrails replaced it would make it a safer intersection. The Board of Supervisors said they would look into the matter.

Township resident, James Washburn was present again to request another Stop Sign be installed at the intersection of Red Hill Road and Indian Hill Road. He would like to see a Stop Sign coming down Indian Hill Road as it meets Red Hill Road. He stated we need more police presence there to stop the speeding and the overweight trucks from driving on Indian Hill Road. Supervisor Cressley stated once again that the township engineer advised them it would be a safety issue and would not recommend a Stop Sign be put in place where Mr. Washburn requested. The Board of Supervisors said they would speak to Chief Doll about patrolling that area more. Supervisor Cressley said he will also look into the possibility of milling strips on Indian Hill Road to slow the traffic down.

Unfinished Business - NoneNew Business:

Barbara Beltz made a motion to tentatively adopt the 2018 budget for all funds (General Fund, State (Liquid Fuels) Fund, Sewer Operating Fund, Recreation Fund, Fire Hydrant Fund, Road Equipment Fund, Capital Project Garbage Collection Equipment Fund, Capital Reserve Police Vehicle and Equipment Fund; Capital Reserve Building Fund; and Capital Reserve Employee Benefit Fund). Robin Cressley seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Chairman Frey noted that there will be no tax, garbage, or sewer rate increases for the year of 2019.

Robin Cressley made a motion authorizing the Secretary to advertise the Boards' intent to appoint Independent Auditors to Audit all Township 2018's Accounts. Barbara Beltz seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Robin Cressley made a motion to authorize Univest Municipal Police Pension Services as Trustee to adjust retired police officer Thomas Beltz's COLA at a rate of 2.8% effective January 1, 2019. Jason Frey seconded the motion. Motion carried. Barbara Beltz abstained due to conflict of interest.

Robin Cressley made a motion to advertise for a Full-Time Laborer Position. Barbara Beltz seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Barbara Beltz made a motion to advertise for a Seasonal Part-time Plow Truck Driver Position. Robin Cressley seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Robin Cressley made a motion to purchase a LeeBoy 8515E Asphalt Paver for \$146,193.00. The paver will be paid from the Liquid Fuels Fund in the amount of \$140,000.00 and remaining balance of \$6,193.00 will be paid from the Capital Projects Road Machinery Fund. Barbara Beltz seconded the motion. Chairman Frey recommended receiving additional quotes. Supervisor Cressley said he did look into other brands and found this one to be the best offer in his opinion. Motion carried unanimously.

Barbara Beltz made a motion to approve the purchase of two (2) Goodyear tires for the Franklin Township Volunteer Fire Company's Rescue Truck through the Costars Program. Robin Cressley seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Citizen Questions/Comments -

Fire Chief Lynn Diehl presented information on the Knox box which is a secure keybox system used nationally. He said it is a secure and safe way to gain access to businesses during an emergency. He requested that the Board of Supervisors would consider implementing the use of this system in the near future. He also said he is still working on collecting additional information on Act 172.

Questions from the Press: None

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

Brenda Neeb,
Secretary-Treasurer