

April 17, 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, and Barbara Beltz; 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.

1st Public Hearing Re: Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) for Fiscal Year 2018-
Jennifer Hunsicker was present to explain the purpose of the public hearing is to receive input and comments from citizens for the use of the CDBG 2018 funds for Franklin Township.

Ms. Hunsicker noted that the Township chose the funding for 2017 CDBG monies to reconstruct/repave Red Hill Road. A survey was needed to qualify this project and benefits 72.27% low to moderate income people in this project area.

She noted that Franklin Township's 2018 CDBG allocation from the Federal Government will be approximately **\$84,211.00**. Carbon County will receive \$15,157.00 for administering the grant program for the Township, leaving a balance of **\$69,054.00** for the project implementation. Ms. Hunsicker stated that the amounts are approximate because they did not yet receive the funds from DCED. She reviewed the guidelines of the CDBG Program they are as follows: (Copy is on file).

Program Objectives:

1. Primarily to benefit low to moderate people (LMI).-51% of the people in a project area must be LMI.
2. Address slums or blight
3. Meets a particular urgent community development need

No project will be undertaken that will cause displacement of any individuals.

Eligible Activities:

Public Facilities & Improvements; Removal of Architectural Barriers; Senior Centers/Facilities; Parks, Recreation Facilities, Parking Facilities; Street Improvements; Sidewalks; ADA Handi-cap Corners; Water/Sewer Improvements; Flood and Drainage Facilities; Clearance and Demolition.

Schedules:

Jennifer said the Pre-Application is due by Friday, May 18, 2018. All requests must be made using the pre-application forms furnished by their office. She also noted the second public hearing is anticipated for the September, 2018 and the formal application will be submitted to DCED in November /December 2018.

No Public comment was received.

Public hearing adjourn at 6:40 p.m.

Barbara Beltz made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 20, 2018 Township Meeting
Robin Cressley seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Secretary's Report –

The following Executive Sessions were held:

4/13/18- Tour of Franklin Township Elementary School/Personnel matter with Chief Doll

4/5/18- Litigation and Personnel Matters

4/9/18- Personnel Interviews

***Residents were reminded that driveway permits must be obtained prior to paving existing driveways or re-paving existing driveway.

Residents are reminded to breakdown cardboard boxes when using the recycling bins.

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

Zoning Report - Zoning Officer Paul Jarrett submitted his report from 3/21/18 through 4/16/18. Revenue from Zoning Permits: \$50.00. Variance application fees - \$0.00

UCC Building Code Official – Received report from Paul Jarrett, Building Code Officer from 3/21/18 to 4/16/18. Administrative fees turned in with report: \$109.00.

Fire Chief's Report – Fire Chief Lynn Diehl submitted the March, 2018 report for the Franklin Township Volunteer Fire Co. #1, as well as for the Fire Police. Copy is on file.

Police Report – Chief of Police Jason Doll submitted the Police report from 2/25/18- 3/24/18. Copy is on file.

Central Carbon Municipal Authority – Received minutes of the March 19, 2018 CCMA meeting
Copy is on file.

Carbon County Council of Governments- Minutes from February 27, 2018

Franklin Township Lions Club – Received April 2018 report/newsletter. Copy is on file.

Communications –

A resignation letter was received from Paul Kocher, informing the Township Supervisors that he will no longer be a resident of Franklin Township and will no longer be eligible to serve on the Planning Commission and other boards that he is on, effective, April 19, 2018.

Communication Cont'd -

Received Investment Performance Report for the Franklin Township Pension Plan for the period ending December 31, 2017 from Uninvest; 2015 Recycling Grant Payment of \$1,191.00; Email from PPL- Notifying the Township a Contractor Riggs Distler, to install routers on utility poles and street lighting in our area, this will be the beginning of their Meter replacement Project; Received the First Quarter 2018 reports from Nationwide attached was Allied Benefit Group, LLC contract transaction history and aggregate report for the period of (1/1/18-3/31/18) regarding our police pension. Each Township Supervisor received a copy of the 2018's first quarter report; Received a copy of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statements (GASB 68) as of December 31, 2017; Letter from CCMA that they will be applying for renewal of the NPDES Permit regarding the Wastewater Treatment Plant; Received Act 205 Actuarial Valuation Report for the Non-Uniformed Pension Plan; Letter from the Pohopoco Rod and Gun Club announcing the 8th Annual Youth Fishing Day will be Sunday May 13, 2018 beginning at 9:00 a.m. and concluding at 1:00 p.m. The event is open to any youth 15 years and younger who are children or grandchildren of members of the military or military veterans and /or involved with the Girl or Boy Scouts; Emails: Newsletter- COSTARS, NEPA, PSATS, DEP, and LTAP

Citizen Participation –

Tom Romanchik was present to inform the Supervisors that he met with a representative of PennDot and was told at this point he would not be able to use Rt. 209/Interchange Road for an entry or exit to his proposed land development plans. He would like to use Main Road and Wagner Street as entry and exits and asked what the Supervisors thoughts or concerns are if he would use Main Road and Wagner Street. Their main concerns were the trucks using the bridge on Main Road, and signage. The bridge on Main Road was built in the 1930's. Supervisor Cressley said he would talk to the Township's engineer on getting an estimate on the cost of repairing the bridge and have the engineer look at the bridge, he will also check with John Davis.

Resident Thomas Beltz was present to express his opinion on the Leighton School Board selling the Franklin Elementary School. He feels the Supervisors should not wait and take a active approach on obtaining the Christman Ballfield by hiring an attorney who specializes in eminent domain. He said this is well worth the fight to keep Christman Ballfield, it provides not only Franklin Township children, but the entire School District kids with a wonderful place to be active and learn many values from playing baseball on this field. He feels strongly that the Supervisors must actively move on obtaining this property before the Elementary School is sold.

Township resident Gerald Moulthrop suggested that Franklin Township purchases the Elementary School and its property and utilize the building for offices, a community center, restaurant, etc. He said he would like the Board to seriously consider purchasing the Elementary School.

Township Resident Bill Lewis lives directly across from Christman Ballfield he wants the property to remain a ballfield and nothing else. He understands the school is too big however suggested purchasing the Elementary School and remove or demolish part of the school, or keep the land that goes with the school and just sell the school

Unfinished Business – None

New Business -

Robin Cressley made a motion to bid on the following items, with bids to be opened at the May 15, 2018 Township Meeting:

1. Seal Coating on various roads within Franklin Twp- 40,000 SY Single Bituminous Seal Coat
2. 2,000 Tons (more or less) Superpave 9.5 mm, Wearing Course, 0.0 to 0.03 million ESAL's SRL-L - FOB Plant and FOB Delivered to Township Paver
3. 100 Tons (more or less) Superpave 9.5 mm, Wearing Course any ESAL, SRL-ANY FOB Plant and FOB Delivered to Township Paver
4. 200 Tons (more or less) Superpave 19.0 mm, Wearing Course FOB Plant and FOB delivered to Township Paver
5. 200 tons (more or less) Superpave 25.0 mm Base Course- FOB Plant and FOB Delivered to Township Paver
6. 1,600 tons (more or less) PennDot Anti-Skid AS-2, AS-3, or AS-4, FOB Plant and FOB delivered to Township Garage
7. 100 Tons (more or less) AASHTO #10 Screenings, FOB Plant and delivered to Township Garage
8. 100 Tons (more or less) AASHTO #57 with 1% Wash, FOB Plant and FOB Delivered to Township Garage
9. 300 Tons (more or less) R-3 Rock Lining, FOB Plant and Delivered to Township Garage or Alternate Site
10. 800 Tons (more or less) 2A Aggregate, FOB Plant and FOB Delivered as directed to the Township Garage or Alternate Site
11. 150 tons (more or less) AASHTO #8 with 2% Wash, FOB Plant and FOB Delivered to Township Garage or Alternate Site

Barbara Beltz seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Opening of Bids for Landfill/Transfer Station Services- One bid was received for landfill/transfer station services. The bid was opened and read as follows;

<u>Name of Company</u>	<u>1 Year Contract</u>	<u>2 Years</u>	<u>3 Years</u>	<u>4 Years</u>	<u>5 years</u>
Advanced Disposal Services	\$80.00 per ton	\$80.00 per ton	\$80.00 per ton	\$80 per ton	\$72.00 per ton

Robin Cressley made a motion to award the lone bid for Transfer Station Services to Advanced Disposal Services Eastern Pa Inc. for a five (5) year term/contract at \$72.00 per ton, pending all proper paperwork is furnished and completed. Barbara Beltz seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Barbara Beltz made a motion Adopt Ordinance 2018-01 – “Establishing a Temporary Designation Area for the Exclusive Use of Children Fifteen (15) Years or under for the purpose of fishing at the Phifer’s Ice Dam Park Facilities.” Robin Cressley seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously,

Robin Cressley made a motion to Proclaim the month of April as Pennsylvania 811 Safe Digging Month. Barbara Beltz seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Barbara Beltz made a motion approving Robin Cressley and Kim Hunsicker to attend a free Northeast Safety Day Conference (PA One Call Program) on May 17, 2018 from 7:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Jason Frey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Robin Cressley made a motion to advertise Ordinance 2018-02 (proposed zoning amendment-light manufacturing in a commercial-2 zoning district) - Blockers/Yannone-(Blue Mountain Machine). Barbara Beltz seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Barbara Beltz made a motion to advertise the proposed Ordinance adoption of a Health Care Overlay District. Robin Cressley seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Robin Cressley made a motion to accept the time extension until June 12, 2018 for action by the board of Supervisors for the Cara Serfass/Russell & Sandra Miller Subdivision/Lot Consolidation. Barbara Beltz seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Robin Cressley made a motion to approve the Redline Shopping Center’s Land Development Agreement. Barbara Beltz seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Barbara Beltz made a motion to approve the Rockland’s Energy Land Development Agreement. Robin Cressley seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Robin Cressley made a motion to approve the request for Franklin Township’s Fire Police to assist with traffic control at the Franklin Township Elementary School’s for the following events:

May 11, 2018- 6:00 a.m. – 7:30 a.m. – Muffins with MOM

May 22, 2018- Morning – 8:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. – SPRING CONCERT

Afternoon- 12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. – SPRING CONCERT

June 1, 2018 -6:00 a.m. – 7:30 a.m. – Donuts with DAD

Jason Frey seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously

Robin Cressley made a motion to send a letter to the Lehigh Area School Board requesting to move the medals/name plates (monument) currently located at the Franklin Elementary School to the Phifer’s Ice Dams Park. Barbara Beltz seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment:

Attorney Bubba noted we will not have the required thirty (30) days for public review of the proposed Overlay District Ordinance by our next Township Meeting on May 15, 2018 and asked

for a Special Meeting to be advertised for adoption of said Ordinance, The Board agreed to advertise for a Special Meeting to be held on May 21, 2018 at 7:00 pm.

Jason Frey made a motion to send a letter to the Lehigh Area School Board requesting all fields (Christman Ballfield and the Soccer Field behind the current Franklin Elementary School to be used solely for recreational purposes. Robin Cressley seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Questions from the Press: None

Barbara Beltz made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:20 p.m. Robin Cressley seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Brenda Neeb
Secretary-Treasurer