

December 18, 2018

The regular meeting of the Supervisors of Franklin Township was held in the Franklin Township office, and called to order by Dennis Howard at 1901 hours. The Pledge of Allegiance was said by all. Present were Supervisors James Sachar, Dennis Howard, Daniel Netzler, Steven Walker and Robert Simonelli and Solicitor Gery Nietupski, and Secretary Ramona Junkins.

Visitors present: Denny Russin, George Plavcan, Karl Ebert, Todd Zonna, Maryann Mook, Mike Brinker, Kathy Netzler, Denise Benedict, Todd Benedict, Georgia Hudy, Dee Engel, Raymond Junkins and Kevin Wheeler.

A Moment of Silence was observed.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

There is a Wage and Salary Survey on the PSATS that is only accessible electronically, the elected Auditors would like a copy of this survey.

MINUTES:

Daniel Netzler made a motion to approve the minutes from the November 20, 2018. James Sachar seconded. Yeas: James Sachar, Dennis Howard, Daniel Netzler and Robert Simonelli. Nays: None. Abstain: Steven Walker

James Sachar made a motion to approve the minutes from the Curative Amendment Proposal held on November 19, 2018. Robert Simonelli seconded. Yeas: James Sachar, Daniel Netzler and Robert Simonelli. Nays: None. Abstain: Dennis Howard and Steven Walker.

Dennis Howard made a motion to approve the minutes from the Public Hearing for the Conditional Use for Jason Kerr from November 20, 2018. Daniel Netzler seconded. Yeas: Dennis Howard, Daniel Netzler, and Robert Simonelli. Nays: None. Abstain: James Sachar and Steven Walker.

Dennis Howard made a motion to approve the minutes from the Public Hearing for Ord 1 of 2018 amending the SALDO Ordinance. Daniel Netzler seconded. Yeas: Dennis Howard, Daniel Netzler and Robert Simonelli. Nays: None. Abstain: James Sachar and Steven Walker

Dennis Howard made a motion to approve the minutes from the Public Hearing for Ord 3 of 2018 amending the Zoning Ordinance. Daniel Netzler seconded. Yeas: Dennis Howard, Daniel Netzler and Robert Simonelli. Nays: None. Abstain: James Sachar and Steven Walker.

REPORTS:

Roadmaster Report – The Township has had two culverts replaced, the one on Mohawk Road and the one on Silverthorn Road. We have received our entire antiskid for this year. The freeze and thaw is going to make the roads rough and we will get out fixing the rough spots when we can. It would be nice if some motorists would slow down with the roads being rough.

FINANCIAL AND TAXES

Bills – Dennis Howard made a motion to approve the December 18, 2018 bill list for a total of \$135,693.18. James Sachar seconded. Passed by unanimous roll call vote. Carried.

James Sachar made a motion to approve the Supervisors Bill List for December 18, 2018 for a total of \$335.19. Robert Simonelli seconded. Yeas: James Sachar, Steven Walker and Robert Simonelli. Nays: None. Abstain: Dennis Howard and Daniel Netzler.

Payroll – Steven Walker made a motion to approve Payrolls #24 & 25 of 2018 as presented. Robert Simonelli seconded. Passed by unanimous roll call vote. Carried.

The monthly recap was given to the Board of Supervisors.

Ramona gave the Supervisors the Renewal Insurance papers.

PLANNING COMMISSION: No meeting was held.

ZONING: None

DRY HYDRANTS: None

TRAINING FACILITY: Robert Simonelli reported that there is some interest in the forming an association; we are currently speaking with a grant writer to see if this association would be eligible for grants for the training facility. We hope to work on this more after the holiday at the beginning of the year.

FIRE DEPARTMENT: Georgia Hudy gave the Supervisors the new list of Line Officers and Business Officers for 2019.

SOLICITOR: None

OLD BUSINESS:

Dennis Howard made a motion to approve Ordinance 1 of 2018 amending the SALDO Ordinance which amends Ordinance No. 1-2009. Steven Walker seconded. A discussion was held on how much of a Right of Way is really needed for a single residence. Passed by unanimous roll call vote. Carried.

Dennis Howard made a motion to approve Ordinance 3 of 2018 amending the Zoning Ordinance from the Zoning Ordinance No. 1-2015. Robert Simonelli seconded. Yeas: James Sachar, Dennis Howard, Steven Walker and Robert Simonelli. Nays: Daniel Netzler Abstain: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

Resolution 13 of 2018. Dennis Howard made a motion to approve Resolution 13 of 2018, approve the Financial Statements and Independent Auditor's Report of the Erie Area Council of Governments for the Calendar Year Ending December 31, 2017. Steven Walker seconded. Passed by unanimous roll call vote. Carried.

Resolution 14 of 2018. Dennis Howard made a motion to approve Resolution 14 of 2018, Adopting the 2019 Budget as advertised, including the Employee Pay and Benefits Schedule and recommends to the auditors that they set the Supervisors wages as per the pay and benefits schedule. Dennis Howard seconded. Passed by unanimous roll call vote. Carried.

Resolution 15 of 2018. Dennis Howard made a motion to approve Resolution 15 of 2018, amending the 2018 Budget to reflect the actual revenues received and expenses paid from January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2018 including yearend adjustments made by the Township and/or the auditors. Robert Simonelli seconded. Passed by unanimous roll call vote. Carried.

Resolution 16 of 2018. Dennis Howard made a motion to approve Resolution 16 of 2018, setting the tax levy for 2019 at 2.7 mills: 0.79 mill, General Fund; 0.4 mills, Fire Department Fund; 0.26 mills Municipal Building fund; 0.5 mills, Road Machinery Fund; 0.5 mills, Permanent Improvement Fund and 0.25 mills, EMS fund. Robert Simonelli seconded. Passed by unanimous roll call vote. Carried.

Resolution 17 of 2018. Dennis Howard made a motion to approve Resolution 17 of 2018, approving the amended West County Emergency Operation Plan as presented. Steven Walker seconded. Passed by unanimous roll call vote. Carried.

Curative Amendment submitted by Daniel and Kathy Netzler. The Board of Supervisors reviewed the Curative amendment submitted, then reviewed the Erie County Planning Departments recommendations.

Steven Walker made a motion to approve the maximum lot coverage across the board in the A-1 District to 60%. Robert Simonelli seconded. A discussion was held in regards to the Erie County Planning recommendations and what the next process could be, an option is to send it back to the Planning Commission for consideration of adding a section for Conditional Uses or Special Exceptions to see if this project would fit in somewhere else. Yeas: None. Nays: James Sachar, Dennis Howard, Steven Walker and Robert Simonelli. Abstain: Daniel Netzler.

Dennis Howard made a motion to task the Planning Commission to see if there is a way to build in Special Exceptions or Conditional Uses in the Zoning Ordinances for projects like this. To see if they can find a recommendation for a project like this. Robert Simonelli seconded. Passed by unanimous roll call vote. Carried.

Dennis Howard made a motion to advertise for a revised date for the Organizational meeting to be held on January 7, 2019 at 7:00pm for the Board of Supervisors. Daniel Netzler seconded. Ramona is also to check with the Auditors to advertise for their meeting to be January 8, 2019 at 10:00am., in which Karl Ebert said this is okay. Passed by unanimous roll call vote. Carried.

The Supervisors reviewed the Proposals for a new CPA Firm to be appointed at the Organizational Meeting.

James Sachar would like to recommend moving Joseph Grimaldi to the Senior Labor position and Alfred Smith to the Full Time Laborer position at the Organizational meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE:

None

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Spoke with Carol Loll and the conversation was about recycling, Waste Management currently takes bottle in Ohio but why not here? Can we go back to only recycling for our small community where we do not have all the headaches? It would also be nice if the Board of Supervisors would send a Supervisor to attend the Erie County Planning meetings.

Thank you for the good, quick job on the culvert replacement on Silverthorn Road.

My mailbox got hit; it was fixed and within two weeks got hit again. The plow did not even have his plow all the way down.

I think it would be important for the Supervisors to review what constitutes a quorum.

Denny Russin – Zoning Hearing Board member. Our last meeting was July 23, 2018, Freedom Farms was given a 45 day waiver and it has been since July and nothing has been handed back in. The Zoning Hearing Board is now done it has been way to long and nothing has been handed back into the Township. It is now a dead issue as the extension was 5 months ago and is now dead. You can look for two new Zoning Hearing Board members at the Organization meeting as Dana Erdely and I will not be sitting on the Zoning Hearing Board any longer.

James Sachar moved to adjourn. Dennis Howard seconded. The meeting adjourned at 2046 hours.

Ramona Junkins, Township Secretary