

April 23, 2019

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, and Daniel Netzler and Secretary Ramona Junkins and Zoning Officer Ralph Breiding. Robert Simonelli is very sick today.

Visitors present: Todd Zonna, George Plavcan, Brad Irwin, Bob Herman, Karl Ebert, Bill Taylor, Dee Engel, Kyle Buckholtz, Gale Brugh, Terry Brugh, Dennis Russin and Dave Demyanovich.

A Moment of Silence was observed.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

None

MINUTES:

James Sachar made a motion to approve the minutes from the Conditional Use Hearing for the Carpenters on March 19, 2019. Daniel Netzler seconded. Passed by unanimous roll call vote. Carried.

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REPORTS:

Roadmaster Report – The new Road Foreman (Bill Russin) has officially started working. A round of planing has been completed, we have also been ditching with the rotary ditcher. Some spot ditching has been completed with the Backhoe. General maintenance has been completed on the equipment. Pot hole repairs are being looked at and looking into a demo of a sweeper for the intersections that were paved.

FINANCIAL AND TAXES

Bills – Dennis Howard made a motion to approve the April 23, 2019 bill list for a total of \$49,712.41. James Sachar seconded. Passed by unanimous roll call vote. Carried.

Dennis Howard made a motion to approve the April 23, 2019 Supervisors bill list for a total of \$343.36. James Sachar seconded. Passed by unanimous roll call vote. Carried.

Payroll – James Sachar made a motion to approve Payrolls #7 & 8 of 2019 as presented. Daniel Netzler seconded. Passed by unanimous roll call vote. Carried.

The monthly recap was given to the Board of Supervisors.

PLANNING COMMISSION: Reviewed the recommendation for the Irwin Subdivision.

ZONING: Handled one complaint, a couple building permits were issued, one subdivision and one logging permit.

EACOG: The annual assembly will be held on May 9th at the Shriners building. The focus will be Exploring the Erie Region.

ECATO: Dan was 1 of the 2 voting delegates at PSATS for ECATO.

WECEMA: Chuck Kanarr explained with the new radio system coming in the municipality with be receiving two radios, one will be a portable radio and one will be a mobile radio. Chuck's recommendation is for Ramona to take the portable radio as she is the rep for the township and if the township chooses to

not install this specific radio in one of their trucks then to loan it to the WECEMA so they can hang onto it and if an emergency arises that it is needed then it can be signed out. Ramona and the road team will review and see what the best path is and then move forward.

DRY HYDRANTS: None

TRAINING FACILITY: Two different time's people have come to the Board and asked permission for use of the facility. A clear scope and authority needs to be put on paper, and then the Solicitor can review it after that it will come to the Board of Supervisors.

FIRE DEPARTMENT: The president's husband has had a serious surgery today please keep the family in your prayers. Sunday April 14th we had some severe weather. The department has some issues finding some houses and it would be nice to get some more address numbering signs up for the residents. The fire department would like to get a load of RAP material to fill in some of the extremely bad pot holes as you enter their parking lot.

Dennis Howard made a motion to furnish a load of RAP material to the fire department to fix the potholes in their parking lot. James Sachar seconded. Passed by unanimous roll call vote. Carried.

SR 6: Daniel Netzler wanted to know if anyone reviewed page 22 and then wanted to know their thoughts.

Recruitment & Retention: Daniel Netzler stated that he is part of a subcommittee looking at Recruitment and Retention on keeping volunteers. Everyone has heard the crisis on needing volunteers. The number of EMT's decreased by 542 paramedics across the state.

SOLICITOR: None

OLD BUSINESS:

A discussion was held in regards to using the grounds on September 21st 2019 in which 8 municipalities will be taking part in the West County Recycling Day. A question was asked if we could move the tanker and the response was yes. Dennis Howard made a motion to host and participate in the West County Recycle Day to be held on the Franklin Township grounds on Saturday September 21, 2019. Daniel Netzler seconded.

Passed by unanimous roll call vote. Carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

James Sachar made a motion to accept the Brad Irwin Subdivision as presented. Daniel Netzler seconded. Passed by unanimous roll call vote. Carried.

Dennis Howard made a motion to approve that the ECATO Yearbook/Scholarship invitation be sent to the Board of Supervisors, Secretary/Treasurer, Road Foreman, Zoning Officer and the Tax Collector. James Sachar seconded. Passed by unanimous roll call vote. Carried.

A discussion was held in regards to a letter that was received from the Erie Area Council of Government in regards to a contribution in the amount of \$250.00 to help with getting information out there about completing the 2020 Census. This was tabled until the next meeting to find out more information about this.

Daniel Netzler made a motion to approve the cost for the crushing of the RAP material in the amount not to exceed \$ 15,000.00. James Sachar seconded. Passed by unanimous roll call vote. Carried.

James Sachar motion to approve a Penndot approved product for dust control on the dirt and gravel roads not to exceed \$19,500.00. Daniel Netzler seconded. Passed by unanimous roll call vote. Carried.

Daniel Netzler made a motion to approve Ramona to look into government cell phone plans & decide which ones to go with to get a cell phone and plan for the Road Foreman. James Sachar seconded. Passed by unanimous roll call vote. Carried.

A discussion was had in regards We have received a radio quote as our newer vehicles do not have radios in them. The equipment missing a radio is the Mack Tandem Dump, Grader, New Massey Ferguson and the 1 ton.

James Sachar made a motion to purchase the radio equipment from Freedom Communications not to exceed \$2,500.00. Daniel Netzler seconded. Passed by unanimous roll call vote. Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

A letter from Erie County Department of Planning in regards to reviewing the Land use Map.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

AS the vacancy board member do I need to do anything as there is an open seat, am I legally obligated to be doing something?

A special raffle is being held by several departments to precede the Franklin Township VFD, McKean VFD, CECPA and the Edinboro McKean VFW.

Could someone let Kevin Wheeler know the day the Recycling event is going to be held so if possible not to schedule an auction at his facility on that day?

The second class code states the supervisors may appoint a new supervisor but the vacancy board shall appoint someone. This needs to be looked into.

Mohawk Road has been ditched and cleaned. Thank you to Bill Russin and the road crew you are doing a great job.

My neighbor left his property and the people that are left have left quite a mess and it is now affecting my property.

Did my neighbor get a permit for the driveway that was put in as it is only 4" deep and it should be more. Good job to the road crew on the ditching on Fry Road.

James Sachar moved to adjourn. Daniel Netzler seconded. The meeting adjourned at 2022 hours.

Ramona Junkins, Township Secretary