

**May 21, 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 Daniel Netzler, Dennis Howard, and Robert Simonelli and Solicitor Gery Nietupski and Secretary Ramona Junkins.

Visitors present: George Plavcan, Tara Miller, Bob Herman, Dave Dows, Maryann Mook, Karl Ebert and Dee Engel.

A Moment of Silence was observed.

**PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS**

Under the public comment section on the previous minutes I made a comment that the vacancy board shall appoint a Supervisor. It does not say May but states Shall.

**MINUTES:**

Robert Simonelli made a motion to approve the minutes from the regular meeting on April 23, 2019. Daniel Netzler seconded. Passed by unanimous roll call vote. Carried.

**REPORTS:**

**Roadmaster Report** – Daniel Netzler stated Grading has been started with Fry Road along with Rolling of the roads. Safety inspections have started on some of the equipment. There have been a lot of repairs on the equipment. The Koman Road project is still on going.

**FINANCIAL AND TAXES**

**Bills** – Robert Simonelli made a motion to approve the May 21, 2019 bill list for a total of \$36,976.23 Daniel Netzler seconded. Passed by unanimous roll call vote. Carried.

Daniel Netzler made a motion to approve the May 21, 2019 Supervisors bill list for Dennis Howard for a total of \$932.40. Robert Simonelli seconded. Dennis Howard Abstained. Yea: Daniel Netzler and Robert Simonelli. Carried.

Dennis Howard made a motion to approve the May 21, 2019 Supervisors bill list for Netzler Service & Repair for a total of \$37.00. Robert Simonelli seconded. Daniel Netzler Abstained. Yea: Dennis Howard and Robert Simonelli. Carried.

**Payroll** – Dennis Howard made a motion to approve Payrolls #9 & 10 of 2019 as presented. Robert Simonelli seconded. Passed by unanimous roll call vote. Carried.

The monthly recap was given to the Board of Supervisors.

**PLANNING COMMISSION:** There was no meeting due to lack of an agenda.

**ZONING:** Has issued a couple permits. One is for an in ground pool and one zoning complaint has been received.

**EACOG:** Dennis Howard and Robert Simonelli attended the annual assembly will be held on May 9<sup>th</sup> at the Shriners building. The assembly was very well received; it featured tourisms, trail ways and etc....

**ECATO:** No report

**WECEMA:** Is currently working on a grant for the light tower that was previously discussed.

**DRY HYDRANTS:** The sign for the dry hydrant on Brooks Road needs replaced as it was broken.

**TRAINING FACILITY:** The PA State Police did tour the facility. They have a training allotment that could possibly be used towards the training facility. A possibility they want us to consider is an outdoor shooting range.

The committee has been working on the building and grounds listing items that need to be repaired. We might be at the point of needing to create an agreement or resolution on what we need to do next.

#### **FIRE DEPARTMENT:**

Dennis Howard made a motion to approve the fire police for May 27<sup>th</sup> for the Fairview Memorial Day Parade and June 9<sup>th</sup> for Cranesville MS Bike Race. Robert Simonelli seconded. Passed by unanimous roll call vote. Carried.

There were 8 EMS calls; only 2 were answered by our department. The department is in jeopardy of losing our QRS license as it is renewal time and Dan Netzler is our only person who is answering EMS calls. The department is in great danger and does not know what to do as manpower is an issue all around the county. Our department was called for manpower by Edinboro, we also assisted Cambridge Springs for the big fire and we were on standby at the Kearsarge Fire Department for the China Buffet fire on Peach Street. Don't forget to buy your \$100 raffle ticket to win a \$60,000 truck or \$40,000 cash prize.

**SR 6:** Daniel Netzler wanted to recommend to the other Supervisors to read page 22 in particularly.

**Recruitment & Retention:** Daniel Netzler stated they are meeting every month, it is a subcommittee formed through Kathy Dahlkemper.

**SOLICITOR:** Just a couple day to day things.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

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. There was a grant that was received in the amount of \$50,000 but they need to match that money so that is why they are asking the townships to share the costs.

Dennis Howard made a motion for Franklin Township to contribute the \$250.00 to support this program through Erie County. Daniel Netzler seconded. Passed by unanimous roll call vote. Carried.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Dennis Howard made a motion to approve the township to contribute \$200.00 towards a joint venture with the Fire Department on creating a newsletter for the residents. Daniel Netzler seconded. Passed by unanimous roll call vote. Carried.

A discussion was held in regards to reviewing the EMS Agreements with McKean and Edinboro. These will be reviewed by the Supervisors to see if any changes need to be amended.

A discussion was held in regards to reviewing the Fire Department Agreement with the Franklin Township Volunteer Fire Department. This will be reviewed by the Supervisors to see if any changes need to be amended and a copy will be given to the Fire Department for their thoughts.

Dennis Howard made a motion to approve putting a bid packet together and advertising for the Seal Coating project on Eureka Road. Robert Simonelli seconded. Passed by unanimous roll call vote. Carried.

Daniel Netzler made a motion to approve Ramona attending the Pa Association of Municipal Administrators Conference to be held on August 11-14 in Cranberry Township. Dennis Howard seconded. Passed by unanimous roll call vote. Carried.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** Brace properties sent a letter to the Supervisors to consider using them for Brine for the dust on the dirt roads. Robert Simonelli made a motion to approve Brace Properties as an

acceptable vendor for the township. Dennis Howard seconded. . Passed by unanimous roll call vote.  
Carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

How much of Eureka Road will be Seal coated?

What is the plan for New Road it is in terrible condition?

I am against reopening the shooting range it was horrible.

Maybe the Parks & Rec committee we had before should be reinstated, so that we can do something with the training facility.

The condition of Silverthorn Road is really bad as a Roadmaster a long time ago rerouted the water, and now we have a lot of water. The water is coming off Silverthorn and running up Old State Road.

The shooting range was pure Hell, please do not let it happen again.

Eureka Road culvert looks like it needs to be cleaned out north of New Road.

Will the township building be remodeled at all in my lifetime?

Daniel Netzler to adjourn. Robert Simonelli seconded. The meeting adjourned at 2016 hours.

Ramona Junkins, Township Secretary