

**October 20, 2020**

The regular meeting of the Supervisors of Franklin Township was held in the Franklin Township Volunteer Fire Department Social Hall, was called to order by Dennis Howard at 1900 hours. The Pledge of Allegiance was said by all. Present were Supervisors Dennis Howard, Robert Simonelli, and James Sachar, and Solicitor Gery Nietupski and Secretary Ramona Junkins and Zoning Officer Ralph Breiding.

Visitors present were Alan Hauser, Marge Hetz, Tara Miller, Dee Engel, Chuck Kanarr, Andrew Pennock

A Moment of Silence was observed.

**PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS** -

None

**MINUTES:**

James Sachar made a motion to approve the minutes from the regular meeting on September 15, 2020. Dennis Howard seconded. Passed by unanimous roll call vote. Carried

Robert Simonelli made a motion to approve the minutes from the minutes from the Budget Workshops for 2020. James Sachar seconded. Passed by unanimous roll call vote. Carried

**REPORTS:**

**Roadmaster Report** – James stated that one truck is dressed for winter. A little berm mowing was done last week. Some spot graveling took place also. James drove around with Fred looking at some of the crosspipes on Monday. Thinking of having the truck run some millings to add to the pile as it would be nice to double the pile to use next year.

**FINANCIAL AND TAXES**

**Bills** – Dennis Howard made a motion to approve the October 20, 2020 bill list for a total of \$87,828.90. Robert Simonelli seconded. Passed by unanimous roll call vote. Carried.

There are no Supervisor bills this month.

**Payroll** – Dennis Howard made a motion to approve Payroll #'s 20 & 21 of 2020 as presented. James Sachar seconded. Passed by unanimous roll call vote. Carried

The monthly recap was given to the Board of Supervisors.

**PLANNING COMMISSION:** The minutes were reviewed

**ZONING:** Has been handling complaints and signing permits

**EACOG:** There was not meeting yet

**ECATO:** The next meeting will be on Thursday October 22, 2020 at McKean Township @ 9:00am. They will be doing nominations for the board and a roadmaster roundtable will be held right after the meeting.

**WECEMA:** Chuck Kanarr introduced his replacement Andrew Pennock as the new Emergency Management Coordinator.

**TRAINING FACILITY:** Robert Simonelli has started hitting the road again talking to municipalities about interest in the training facility.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT:** Has received a grant for \$24,384 to be used towards operating expenses. Robert Simonelli also attended the CECPA meeting and they are doing their membership drive so please pay your membership dues.

**SOLICITOR:** None

**OLD BUSINESS:**

The numbers for Recycle Day this year were reviewed. The numbers were higher than last year. There were 1,837 tires collected, 209 freon units, 1085 E-waste and \$1,182 in cash donations. Franklin township had 116 households take part with an overall number of 642 total households.

A discussion on the Employee Handbook and clarifying the “call out policy” was reviewed. Dennis Howard made a motion to amend the Call Out Policy to read Emergency Call-Out Policy. Employees will receive a minimum of two (2) additional hours of pay for any “emergency” or “unexpected” occasion on which they are “called-in” to work in addition to the actual hours worked. This section does **not** apply to any regularly scheduled hours of work. James Sachar seconded. Passed by unanimous roll call vote. Carried

**NEW BUSINESS:**

The EMA budget for 2021 was reviewed. Dennis Howard made a motion approving the 2021 EMA Budget in the amount of \$47,050 with a \$1.327 Per Capita for a total to Franklin Township being \$2,166.99. James Sachar seconded. Passed by unanimous roll call vote. Carried

**CORRESPONDENCE:** None

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Dee Engel – The Fire Department is doing a Trunk or Treat on Halloween from 4pm – 6pm for the kids to go trick or treating at the fire station and it would be nice if the township could give at least \$25 towards the cost of buying candy for the neighborhood kids.

Dennis Howard made a motion to give the fire department \$50.00 towards the Trunk or Treating event to buy supplies for the event. Robert Simonelli seconded. Passed by unanimous roll call vote. Carried

Gery Nietupski and Robert Simonelli also each donated \$50 a piece towards the Trunk or Treating event.

Dennis Howard made a motion to adjourn 1928. James Sachar seconded. Passed by unanimous roll call vote. Carried

Ramona Junkins, Secretary