

May 17, 2022

The regular meeting of the Supervisors of Franklin Township was held in the Franklin Township Building, was called to order by Dennis Howard at 7:02 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was said by all. Present were Supervisors Dennis Howard, Robert Simonelli, and James Sachar, and Solicitor Gery Nietupski, Zoning Officer Ralph Breiding and Secretary Ramona Junkins.

Visitors present were Bob Herman, Alan Hauser, Dee Engel, Kyle Buckholtz, Georgia Hudy, June Shelhamer.

A Moment of Silence was observed.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

None

MINUTES:

Robert Simonelli made a motion to approve the minutes from the regular meeting on April 19, 2022. James Sachar seconded. Passed by unanimous roll call vote. Carried

REPORTS:

Roadmaster Report – Normal springtime maintenance, brushed some intersections off, filled some potholes and did some grading.

FINANCIAL AND TAXES

Bills – Robert Simonelli made a motion to approve the May 17, 2022, bill list for a total of \$71,775.80. James Sachar seconded. Passed by unanimous roll call vote. Carried.

Supervisor Bill List

Dennis Howard made a motion to approve to reimburse Robert Simonelli for the PSATS Conference expenses in the amount of \$1,225.76. James Sachar seconded. Robert Simonelli Abstained. Motion Carried.

Payroll – Dennis Howard made a motion to approve Payrolls # 9 & 10 of 2022 as presented. Robert Simonelli seconded. Passed by unanimous roll call vote. Carried

The monthly financial recap was given to the Board of Supervisors.

PLANNING COMMISSION: The minutes from their meeting were reviewed.

ZONING: One complaint was filed through the Solicitor who then forwarded it to Ralph. The gentlemen decided to remove a sign on his property and primarily do most of the business at his other location on Route 6N in another township. Ralph investigated the complaint and found no violations.

EACOG: A meeting was held, and a presentation was made dealing with an Erie County loan fund for a 2% interest a year, it is called the Municipal Loan Fund Program.

ECATO: None

WECEMA: None

TRAINING FACILITY: Dennis Howard made a motion to approve Recycle Day to be held on the training facility grounds. It is tentatively scheduled for September 10, 2022. Robert Simonelli seconded. Passed by unanimous roll call vote. Carried

FIRE DEPARTMENT: None

SOLICITOR: Worked on Zoning issues, answered day to day issues that arise. Worked on Noise Abatement Ordinance.

OLD BUSINESS:

Noise Exemption- Gery created a simpler document regarding a Noise Abatement Ordinance for establishments holding a liquor license. The Planning Commission reviewed it and made a couple changes and now is being presented to the Board of Supervisors. Dennis Howard made a motion to put this out for a public hearing for public comment. James Sachar seconded. Passed by unanimous roll call vote. Carried

Falls Road intersection was discussed regarding sight distance, angle issues, people exiting on Route 98 onto Falls Road at speeds of 55 mph. Dennis met with Emily Aloiz with the MPO from the County regarding including Penndot into these discussions. Next step is to reach out to Penndot for further discussions.

Falk Run will be renamed to its original name of Falls Run as it was changed back in 1923 in a typing error it got changed to Falk Run. Dennis has taken the necessary steps to fix the error and it will be renamed to Falls Run.

Township Building was discussed.

Dennis Howard made a motion to approve spraying the township building for bees and other insects. Robert Simonelli seconded. Passed by unanimous roll call vote. Carried

Dry Hydrants discussion is still an ongoing issue, the department has started flushing some of the dry hydrants.

The old Massey Ferguson did sell at Wheeler's Auction for \$5,000.00 but the Grader only went up to \$7,500 and the township the last meeting said it would only go to \$8,000.00. The individual that went up to \$7,500 might still be interested. Dennis Howard made a motion to take \$7,500 for the Grader if the person from the auction is still interested in it. Robert Simonelli seconded. Passed by unanimous roll call vote. Carried

NEW BUSINESS:

The bids for the Seal Coating and Surface treatment were opened at Washington Township at 11:00am yesterday. Suit Kote – Single Seal Coat \$1.715 and Surface Treatment \$4.79, Russell Standard Single Seal Coat \$2.30 and Surface Treatment \$4.92.

James Sachar made a motion to award the projects to Suit Kote for the Single Seal Coat and Surface Treatments. Robert Simonelli seconded. Passed by unanimous roll call vote. Carried

A discussion on the Mohawk Road Culvert was held regarding the township not having big enough equipment for the job. James suggested that the township can rent a piece of equipment for the job, he said Washington Township would likely send us a little manpower and that he would make sure he would be present to get the project completed.

CORRESPONDENCE: On Common Ground Magazine

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Alan Hauser commented about the Grader on the township should be more conscientious when a year and a half ago the township turned down a bid for \$10,001 and now, we are willing to let it go at \$7,500.00.

Kyle Buckholtz recommended reaching out to our representative Brad Roae office or the DCED regarding funding for a new municipal Building loan.

Bob Herman commented that a lot of people in our community would like to see a Park, maybe even a walking dog park in our community and as we have the training ground property, we should consider utilizing it.

Robert Simonelli made a motion to adjourn at 8:02 pm. James Sachar seconded. Passed by unanimous roll call vote. Carried

Ramona Junkins, Secretary