

## **September 20, 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 7:00 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was said by all. Present were Supervisors Dennis Howard, Robert Simonelli, and James Sachar, and Solicitor Gery Nietupski, and Ramona Junkins and Zoning Officer Ralph Breiding.

Visitors present were Alan Hauser, Marge Hetz, Ernie Robinson, Matthew Bailey, Leslie Sult, Kirk Hill, Shawn Wroblewski, Denise Benedict.

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 August 16, 2022. James Sachar seconded. Passed by unanimous roll call vote. Carried

### **REPORTS:**

**Roadmaster Report** – Mowing, ditching, getting ready to add gravel to Clair Wright Road. We have been catching up on everything.

### **FINANCIAL AND TAXES**

**Bills** – James Sachar made a motion to approve the September 20, 2022, bill list for a total of \$264,772.34. Robert Simonelli seconded. Passed by unanimous roll call vote. Carried.

**Payroll** – Robert Simonelli made a motion to approve Payrolls # 18 & 19 of 2022 as presented. James Sachar seconded. Passed by unanimous roll call vote. Carried

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

**PLANNING COMMISSION:** The minutes were reviewed from the September 6, 2022, meeting.

**ZONING:** Have processed a couple zoning permits, a couple minor complaints.

**EACOG:** Dennis stated that the COG will be hosting a Utility Scale Solar Workshop on September 29 from 3 to 6, the primary discussion was on the financials and the CPA audit.

**ECATO:** None

**WECEMA:** The budget for next year was given for review. Dennis Howard made a motion to approve the 2023 budget for WECEMA with no tax increase for \$2,140.15. Robert Simonelli seconded. Passed by unanimous roll call vote. Carried

**TRAINING FACILITY:** Robert reported that another annual Recycle day was held on the grounds and Edinboro Fire Department has utilized the grounds a couple times.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT:** None

**SOLICITOR:** Will be discussed under old business.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

Falls Road intersection, no new update currently.

Township Building was discussed, Dennis has reached out to Butler and Morton Buildings, Dennis will continue to pursue this and is going to go look at Springfields new building they had built.

Dry Hydrants discussion – Fall maintenance has begun

American Rescue Plan Funds, the second installment has been received.

Noise Abatement Petition, the solicitor has prepared the petition that needs to be filed with the PLCB. This is a draft copy for the Supervisors to review and vote on at the next meeting. Dennis Howard made a motion to approve signing the petition for exemption to the Liquor Control Board. Robert Simonelli seconded. Passed by unanimous roll call vote. Carried

Resolution 9 of 2022

Dennis Howard made a motion to approve Resolution 9 of 2022 requesting exemption from Section 493(34) if the Pennsylvania Liquor Code. Robert Simonelli seconded. Passed by unanimous roll call vote. Carried

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Reviewed subdivision plans regarding the Schaaf/Bailey subdivision located on Gudgeonville and Clair Wright Road intersection. Nancy Schaaf owns 81+ acres and is subdividing 2.186 acres to Matt Bailey for a remaining total of 78.814 + acres. James Sachar made a motion to approve the Schaaf/Bailey Subdivision for parcel number (22) 6-18-1. Robert Simonelli seconded. Motion Carried. Dennis Howard made a motion to approve the plans as submitted for Matthew Bailey On-Lot Disposal of Sewage septic system as per the recommendation of the Health Department. Robert Simonelli seconded. Passed by unanimous roll call vote. Carried

Reviewed subdivision plans regarding Harry L Bland Jr and Sanmar. Kirk Hill brought the subdivision plans Harry Bland is selling part of his land to the adjoining property that belongs to Sanmar and they will be merging the property they are acquiring with the property they currently own. Dennis Howard made a motion to approve the plans for subdividing 11.33 acres of his property Harry Bland is selling to the adjoining property owned by Sanmar. Robert Simonelli seconded. Passed by unanimous roll call vote. Carried

A discussion regarding an 1,850-gallon poly tank with a lid that Washington township would be interested in selling. This would be used to put in the back of a truck for dust control or water versus having a whole other vehicle that has maintenance and insurance costs. James Sachar made a motion to offer Washington Township an amount starting at \$800 with authorization to go up to \$1,200.00 for their 1,850 gallon poly tank with a lid. Robert Simonelli seconded. Passed by unanimous roll call vote. Carried

A discussion regarding a 2004 paver that Ron Bole has for sale, it came from McKean Township the motor is a 3-year-old Perkins engine, has new belts, McKean Township does have all the maintenance records. Pictures were passed around. Millings could be put in this paver and then put the millings down on the road. Robert Simonelli made a motion to purchase the paver from Ron Bole in the amount of \$5,300.00. Dennis Howard seconded. Passed by unanimous roll call vote. Carried

A discussion on Act 57 of 2022 was held regarding property tax penalty waiver provisions, this will be revisited next month.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** None

### **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Ernie – Said he is willing along with some other volunteers to work off the clock and volunteer his time and the others are willing to volunteer their time and supplies to fix up the pavilion at the training facility so it can be used.

Dennis Howard made a motion to allow Ernie and the other volunteers to refurbish the pavilion at no cost to the township. Robert Simonelli seconded. Yay: Dennis Howard, Robert Simonelli. Nay: James Sachar. Motion carried.

Alan – How much is being subdivided on Clair Wright Road?

Denise- They do have grants for parks and recreation out there if you wanted to fix up more of the training facility.

James Sachar made a motion to adjourn at 7:47 pm. Robert Simonelli seconded. Passed by unanimous roll call vote. Carried

Ramona Junkins, Secretary