

A regular meeting of the Franklin Township Supervisors was called to order by Chairman Dennis Howard at 7:00 pm and took place at the Franklin Township Volunteer Fire Dept. Social Hall.

Members present were Supervisors Dennis Howard, Robert Simonelli, Ernest Robinson, Secretary Ramona Junkins, and Solicitor Gery Nietupski.

PUBLIC COMMENT - AGENDA – None

CONSENT AGENDA

Robert Simonelli moved to approve the consent agenda to include the Supervisor minutes of July 21, 2026, expenses of August 31, 2026, in the amount of \$138,615.94 and the Treasurer's report dated July 31, 2026, second by Ernest Robinson and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

REPORTS/COMMITTEES/FIRE DEPARTMENT/ROAD REPORTS

Robert Simonelli gave the Roadmaster report as follows: continued ditching, dust control, grading, looking at improvements for public works garage with the new municipal building, submitted two grants for Dirt and Gravel, and paving intersections.

Planning Commission minutes were reviewed.

Robert Simonelli stated that CECPA is continuing to run calls.

It was noted that the treasurer closed two general fund accounts due to security breach and opened two new accounts.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Dennis Howard moved that Franklin Township approved the professional services proposal from David Laird Associates Inc. for the completion of the civil site design and permitting work for the new township municipal building at an estimated cost of \$9,875.00 for submittal for LSA grant, second by Robert Simonelli and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

Dennis Howard reported that the Supervisors are in receipt of recommendations from the ASA Advisory Committee and the Planning Commission.

Dennis Howard moved to advertise the public hearing to take place on September 15, 2026, at 6:30 p.m. for the Agricultural Security Area, second by Robert Simonelli and passed by unanimous rollcall vote.

Dennis Howard moved to submit Proposed Ordinance 2 -2026 to Erie County Department of Planning for their 30-day review, second by Robert Simonelli and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

Dennis Howard moved that a full-time Roadmaster hourly rate is \$28.00 with full benefits, second by Robert Simonelli and passed by unanimous roll call vote

NEW BUSINESS

Dennis Howard moved to approve the replot of the lands of Andrw J & Heather C. Zuber on Silverthorn Road, second by Robert Simonelli and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

Robert Simonelli moved to approve the purchase of a 50-gallon square steel fuel transfer tank and fuel transfer pump, and to assign a number for the gas pump for this tank, second by Ernest Robinson and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

Robert Simonelli moved to work towards the sale of the 1984 Oshkosh with plow, second by Dennis Howard and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

Robert Simonelli moved to purchase a new one-way snowplow for the international truck at a cost of \$15,000 and sell the existing snowplow, second by Dennis Howard and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

Dennis Howard moved to appoint Ernest Robinson and Robert Simonelli as Laborers, second by Robert Simonelli and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

Robert Simonelli moved to reimburse McKean Township in the amount of \$6,420.00 for the Superpave material that was placed on Fry Road, second by Dennis Howard and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

Ramona Junkins noted that due to the cyber breach she will be opening two new accounts at Northwest Bank and closing the older two accounts, this will save the township the \$55.00 monthly fee for the positive pay after the breach.

CORRESPONDENCE

Act 14 Notification – SFTF (7233 Crane Road)

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comments were received regarding intersection paving, tree service signage, public works building, road complaints, sale of Oshkosh, zoning issue, data centers and ditching.

ADJOURNMENT

With no objections the meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ramona Junkins, Secretary