

FRANCONIA TOWNSHIP
WORK SESSION MINUTES

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1st Vice Chairman David B. Fazio called the Work Session Meeting to order on Monday, November 30th, 2015 at 4:30 p.m. at the Municipal Building, 671 Allentown Road, Franconia, Pennsylvania 18969.

Present were 2nd Vice-chairman Robert H. Nice, and Supervisor Curtis N. Kratz, Township Manager Jon A. Hammer, Township Finance Officer Ami L. Tarburton, Solicitor Frank R. Bartle, Esquire, Police Chief Joseph Kozenewski.

ORDINANCE THAT APPROVES CERTAIN CAPITAL PROJECTS; AUTHORIZES A BORROWING BY FRANCONIA TOWNSHIP (THE "TOWNSHIP") FROM MONTGOMERY COUNTY (THE "COUNTY") AND THE ISSUANCE OF A PROMISSORY NOTE, 2015 SERIES (THE "2015 NOTE"), IN THE MAXIMUM PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$64,640.80

Mr. Hammer explained that this ordinance allows for 0% financing, over a five year term for the purchase of new police radios. This finance is being offered by Montgomery County, and is being used by municipalities and fire departments county-wide.

Supervisor Kratz questioned if the radios were needed at this time. Chief Kozenewski stated that the county is migrating all radios to a new platform, and that new radios were needed to ensure communication with the county and surrounding municipalities.

Motion was made by Supervisor Fazio, seconded by Supervisor Nice. Approved 3-0.

MOTION TO APPOINT JON A. HAMMER AS TOWNSHIP ZONING OFFICER

Mr. Hammer explained that currently, Russ Dunlevy from Gilmore and Associates is the only appointed Zoning Officer. Mr. Hammer felt it necessary to have a staff member appointed as Zoning Officer.

Motion was made by Supervisor Nice, Seconded by Supervisor Kratz. Approved 3-0.

KAPUSTA CONDITIONAL USE DECISION

Mr. Hammer explained the decision and order for the Mildred Kapusta Conditional Use Application, including reviewing the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law. Mr. Hammer distributed copies of the decisions for the Board of Supervisors.

Supervisors Kratz made a motion to approve, seconded by Supervisor Nice. Approved 3-0.

MOTION – APPROVAL OF 2016 TAX ANTICIPATION NOTE

Ms. Tarburton explained that we received proposals from three banks, and recommended we use Quakertown National Bank for the 2016 Tax Anticipation Note. The rate was 1.35% , by far the lowest of the three proposals.

A motion was made by Supervisor Kratz to accept the proposal from Quakertown National Bank, seconded by Supervisor Nice. Approved 3-0.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr.Fazio announced that the BOS will enter into a brief Executive Session to discuss issues pertaining to personnel following adjournment. The meeting adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jon Hammer
Township Manager