

FRANCONIA TOWNSHIP

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Chairman Grey R. Godshall called the Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Franconia Township to order on Monday, August 18, 2014 at 7:02 p.m. at the Municipal Building, 671 Allentown Road, Franconia, Pennsylvania 18924.

Present were 1st Vice-Chairman David B. Fazio; 2nd Vice-chairman W. Keith Freed and Supervisors Curtis N. Kratz and Steve Barndt; Assistant Township Manager, Jamie P. Worman; Chief Joseph Kozeniewski; Township Solicitor Frank R. Bartle, Esquire; Township Engineer Cindy VanHise, P.E.; Building and Code Inspector Jerry Rittenhouse and interested residents of Franconia Township.

OPENING MEETING TO THE PUBLIC

Mr. Jim Ofalt of 116 Memory Lane addressed the Board of Supervisors regarding a permit application for a shed that he submitted, which was denied due to non-compliance with his zoning district. Mr. Ofalt asked that the Board grant him the same consideration that was given to his neighbors. Solicitor Bartle explained that the Board of Supervisors does not have the jurisdiction to grant the variance for the shed, that he would have to go before the zoning hearing board.

Mr. Gerald Thiel of 808 Allentown Road spoke to the Board of Supervisors regarding the Small Games of Chance. Mr. Thiel gave handouts to the Board to update the minutes. Mr. Thiel explained to the Board that he had spoken with his US House Representative and State House Representative and they were not notified of the school districts need for this referendum. Mr. Thiel went on to explain the three criteria for Gambling: Consideration; Chance; and Prize or Reward. He stated that the Booster Clubs in the schools do not meet that criteria. Mr. Thiel reiterated that this issue should be settled without a referendum.

APPROVAL OF JULY 2014 MEETING MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. Fazio and seconded by Mr. Barndt to approve the July 21, 2014 Regular Meeting Minutes. The motion carried unanimously.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT – FRANK R. BARTLE, ESQUIRE

Ordinance 377 – An Ordinance amending Chapter 122 (SALDO) by revising certain definitions pertaining to “Stormwater and Watershed Management” pursuant to new Federal Stormwater Management Regulations and implementing provisions of the “Neshaminy Creek & Little Neshaminy Creek Watershed Plan” in accordance with Act 167.

Public Hearing commenced at 7:26 PM: Gerald Thiel of 811 Allentown Road asked how this change would affect residential homeowners. Ms. VanHise responded that they would be required to do a grading permit if they want to do anything. **Hearing closed at 7:32 PM.** A motion was made by Mr. Barndt and seconded by Mr. Fazio to approve Ordinance 377. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Fazio and seconded by Mr. Barndt to approve Resolution 14-14-18-08: A Resolution accepting the 5-year PennDOT Winter Traffic Services Agreement (2014-2019) and accepting the reimbursement rate for the 2014/2015 winter season in the amount of \$49,107.04. The motion carried unanimously.

POLICE REPORT – JOSEPH KOZENIEWSKI

Chief Kozeniewski submitted the Police report for July 2014.

ZONING REPORT – JAMIE P. WORMAN

Ms. Worman submitted her report for July 2014.

HIGHWAY REPORT – PAUL R. NICE

Ms. Worman submitted the Highway report for July 2014.

ENGINEERING REPORT – CINDY VANHISE, P.E.

Ms. VanHise submitted her report for July 2014.

TREASURER’S REPORT – JAMIE P. WORMAN

A motion was made by Mr. Barndt and seconded by Mr. Fazio to approve the Treasurer’s Report as presented, and to provide authorization for the Treasurer to pay all bills for the respective funds as presented on Voucher No. 14-18-08 dated August 19, 2014 in the amount of \$194,714.73. The motion carried unanimously.

PAYROLL

A motion was made by Mr. Barndt and seconded by Mr. Fazio for the Treasurer to be authorized to pay all employees during the pay period of August 17, 2014 through September 13, 2014 according to the hours worked as listed on the Payroll Journal for the aforesaid period. The motion carried unanimously.

LAND DEVELOPMENT

A motion was made by Mr. Freed and seconded by Mr. Kratz to approve Resolution 14-15-18-08: A Resolution granting Conditional Final Approval to the Godshall Quality Meats New Facilities-Phase I Land Development (#01-13) 743 Hagey Center Drive. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Freed and seconded by Mr. Barndt to approve Resolution 14-16-18-08: A Resolution granting Conditional Final Approval to the Vistas at Highland Ridge Land Development (#02-03) Hunsicker Road & Crestwood Drive. The motion carried unanimously.

BIDS

A motion was made by Mr. Kratz and seconded by Mr. Fazio to approve acceptance of fuel contract awards to the lowest responsible bidders for the following items pursuant to public bids opened August 13, 2014 and received at this meeting by the Board of Supervisors:

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| a) Unleaded Gasoline –P.K. Moyer & Sons | \$60,266.00 |
| b) Diesel Fuel – Moyer & Son Inc. | \$32,840.50 |
| c) No. 2 Fuel Oil – Moyer & Son Inc. | \$33,589.50 |

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Franconia Township Planning Commission will hold its Regular Meeting on Tuesday, September 2, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at the Franconia Township Municipal Building, 671 Allentown Road, Franconia, Pennsylvania 18969.

The next Regular Board of Supervisors meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, September 15, 2014 at the Franconia Township Municipal Building, 671 Allentown Road, Franconia, Pennsylvania 18969. The Board of Supervisors Work Sessions will be held on Friday, September 5, 2014 at 7:00 a.m. and Monday, September 15, 2014 at 5:00 p.m. at the same location.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

A motion was made by Mr. Barndt and seconded by Mr. Fazio to adjourn the meeting at 7:41 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Jamie P. Worman, Secretary