

**FRANCONIA TOWNSHIP
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Chairman Steven P. Barndt called the Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Franconia Township to order on Monday, March 18, 2013 at 7:02 p.m. at the Municipal Building, 671 Allentown Road, Franconia, Pennsylvania 18969.

Present were 1st Vice-Chairman Grey Godshall; 2nd Vice-Chairman W. Keith Freed ; Supervisors Drew Darrah and Curtis N. Kratz; Township Manager Kevin D. Baver; Assistant Township Manager Jamie P. Worman;; Chief of Police Joseph S. Kozeniewski; Public Works Director Paul R. Nice; Township Engineer Cindy VanHise, P.E.; Building and Code Inspector Jerry Rittenhouse and interested residents of Franconia Township. Joseph C. Kuhls, Township Solicitor was absent (excused).

OPENING MEETING TO THE PUBLIC

Representatives from Plymouth Township addressed the Board of Supervisors and the Franconia Township Police Department thanking them from the “Bottom of their Hearts” for their assistance during the Officer Brad Fox tragedy. Plymouth Township Chairman Sheldon Simpson; Vice-Chairman Lenore Bruno; Council Member Dean Eisenberger; Deputy Police Chief John Myrsiades; and Township Manager Karen Weiss expressed their gratitude for the assistance that they received from Franconia Township and many other Townships on September 13, 2012 after the fatal shooting of Officer Brad Fox.

Mr. Gerald Thiel, 811 Allentown Road, spoke to the BOS with regard to Item 5a: Ordinance Small Games of Chance. Mr. Baver explained that he is trying to determine if action was taken or not taken in 1989. The Solicitor is reviewing this item and determining if there is a need for a Referendum. Mr. Baver will contact Mr. Thiel with information.

APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY 2013 MEETING MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. Godshall and seconded by Mr. Kratz to approve the February 19, 2013 Regular Meeting Minutes. The motion carried unanimously.

SOLICITOR’S REPORT – KEVIN D. BAVER

A motion was made by Mr. Barndt and seconded by Mr. Godshall to authorize the Township Manager and Solicitor to proceed with the necessary documents to permit Small Games of Chance within Franconia Township as the Regulations relate to Act 184 of 2012 (effective December 23, 2012). The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Kratz and seconded by Mr. Freed to adopt Resolution 13-03-18-03: A Resolution Adopting the Montgomery County Hazard Mitigation Plan. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Kratz and seconded by Mr. Freed to adopt Resolution 13-04-18-03: A Resolution Authorizing Participation in the 2013-2014 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania-COSTARS Road Salt Contract.

POLICE REPORT – JOSEPH S. KOZENIEWSKI

The Police Report was submitted for February 2013.

ZONING REPORT – KEVIN D. BAVER

Mr. Baver submitted his report for February 2013.

HIGHWAY REPORT – PAUL NICE

Mr. Paul Nice submitted his report for February 2013.

ENGINEERING REPORT – CINDY VANHISE, P.E.

Ms. VanHise submitted the Engineer report for February 2013.

TREASURER’S REPORT – KEVIN D. BAVER

A motion was made by Mr. Darrah and seconded by Mr. Kratz 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. 13-18-03 dated March 18, 2013 in the amount of \$200,262.92. The motion carried unanimously.

PAYROLL

A motion was made by Mr. Darrah and seconded by Mr. Kratz for the Treasurer to be authorized to pay all employees during the pay period of March 16, 2013 through April 12, 2013 according to the hours worked as listed on the Payroll Journal for the aforesaid period. The motion carried unanimously.

BIDS

A motion was made by Mr. Kratz and seconded by Mr. Freed to approve the awarding of the 2013 Traffic Signal System contract to Lenni Electric Corporation in the amount of \$90,309.00. The motion carried unanimously.

LAND DEVELOPMENT

A motion was made by Mr. Freed and seconded by Mr. Godshall to adopt Resolution 13-05-18-03: A Resolution for Act 537 Plan Revision for new Land Development, DEP Code 1-46927-151-2, Vistas at Highland Ridge, Hunsicker Road and Crestwood Drive. The motion carried unanimously.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Franconia Township Planning Commission will hold Regular Meetings on Monday, April 1, 2013 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, April 15, 2013 at the Franconia Township Municipal Building, 671 Allentown Road, Franconia, Pennsylvania 18969. The Board of Supervisors Work Session will be held on Friday, April 5, 2013 at 7:00 a.m. and Monday, April 15, 2013 at 5:00 p.m. at the same location.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

A motion was made by Mr. Kratz and seconded by Mr. Godshall to adjourn the meeting at 7:23 p.m.
The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Kevin D. Baver, Secretary