

Chairman Grey Godshall called the Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors to order on Monday, March 20th, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. at the Municipal Building, 671 Allentown Road, Telford, Pennsylvania 18969.

Present were Chairman Grey Godshall, Vice Chairman David Fazio, 2nd Vice-chairman Robert H. Nice, and Supervisor Dr. Charles Amuso. Also in attendance were Township Manager Jon A. Hammer, Chief of Police Joseph Kozeniewski, Township Solicitor Frank Bartle, Esquire, Township Engineer Douglas Rossino P.E, and interested residents of Franconia Township. Supervisor Curtis Kratz was absent.

OPEN MEETING TO THE PUBLIC

Chairman Godshall opened the meeting to the public.

Ms. Marianne Vargo Wright, 659 Lower Road, was present to address some concerns she has with Masacro. Ms. Wright presented a letter from Mr. Landis to the board about a problem with rats on his property that he believes are a result of the transfer station on Wile Road. Ms. Wright stated that she has contacted the Township over several weeks about whether or not Masacro was complying with their permits. It is Ms. Wright's opinion that the operations are occurring throughout the night and Masacro is not complying with various township codes. Amongst her other concerns were the radiation, noise, truck traffic, and that the Township is not enforcing its ordinances. She reported various violations that have been issued by the DEP. Ms. Wright contacted Masacro herself and many roll offs were moved to the Forman Road location. She also raised concerns about the sewer management program and having another company come to her private residence at her cost. Ms. Wright feels that Masacro should be asked to move more of the business to Forman Road since it is less residential.

Additionally, Ms. Wright raised concerns about the traffic from the Souderton High School due to the Halteman Road gate remaining closed on a day to day basis. The number of

students and faculty warrants a second entrance. Ms. Wright stated that the traffic in front of her house is due to the traffic being forced out the one single entrance.

Chairman Godshall responded that the amount of information pertaining to Mascaro would require some looking into. In regards to the Hatleman Road entrance of the High School, that was discussed during the land development phase of the project. Permission was given to use the exit on a special basis only without being required to do the road or sidewalk improvements on Halteman Road. The school board did not show interest in doing the improvements that would be needed to keep that exit open of a permanent basis.

Mr. Jeff Wright, 659 Lower Road, was present to discuss the cell tower on Mascaro's property. He stated that he was never notified about the zoning hearing. Mr. Wright also explained that the required 8 foot fence is only 8 feet on three sides and that the generator runs in the middle of the night. He requested that the code enforcement personnel look into this issue. It was Mr. Wright's recommendation that Mascaro be asked to make the cell tower look more like tress. He provided a picture of what he is suggesting to Manager Hammer. Mr. Wright also questioned the jake brake retards prohibition along Lower Road and why they are not prohibited along the entire length of Lower Road.

Chairman Godshall stated that each individual section had to be evaluated separately in regards to the grade and where the road turns. He believes it is a legitimate question and it will be looked into.

No other comments were made.

APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY 21, 2017 MEETING MINUTES

Mr. Fazio made a motion to approve the minutes from the February 21, 2017. Dr. Amuso seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Solicitor's Report – Frank Bartle, Esquire

No report.

POLICE REPORT- CHIEF JOSEPH S. KOZENIEWSKI

Chief Kozeniewski submitted his report. Two items noted on the report are that the radio mobile units are being installed in the cars and Chief Dickenson, from Towamencin

Township, sent a very nice letter thanking Franconia officers in apprehending an armed individual responsible for a jewelry theft.

HIGHWAY REPORT-PAUL R. NICE

Mr. Paul Nice submitted his report and stated that after the 4 inches of sleet and 4 inches of snow from last week the crew will go back to cleaning up for spring.

ENGINEERING REPORT- DOUGLASS ROSSINO, P.E.

Mr. Rossino submitted the report and provided a summary of the projects. He noted that the HD Indoor project received approval and will be getting started and that Suspenders was issued a grading permit and will also begin their parking lot expansion.

TREASURER’S REPORT –

A motion was made by Mr. Nice 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. 17-20-03 dated March 20, 2017 in the amount of \$450,372.16. Supervisor Nice reported that \$250,000 of the voucher is to repay half of the TAN Note which is ahead of schedule. The motion carried unanimously.

PAYROLL

A motion was made by Mr. Nice and seconded by Mr. Fazio for the Treasurer to be authorized to pay all employees during the current pay period March 20, 2017 through April 16, 2017 according to the hours worked as listed on the Payroll Journal. The motion carried unanimously.

BIDS

A motion was made by Mr. Godshall and seconded by Mr. Kratz to approve the awarding of bid contracts for the following:

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| <u>Stone:</u> Naceville, Sellersville, PA | \$21,250.00 - FOB | Full Bid |
| <u>Paving Materials:</u> Allen Myers, Malvern, PA | \$123,435 | Full Bid |
| <u>Paving Equipment Rental:</u> P.K. Moyer & Son, Earlington, PA | \$18,024.00 | Full Bid |
| <u>Construction Equipment Rental:</u> J.H. Freed Inc., Elroy, PA | \$60,160.00 | Full Bid |
| <u>Road Oil & Equipment Rental:</u> Asphalt Maintenance Solutions, LLC, Center Valley, PA | \$57,960.00 | Full Bid |
| <u>Pavement Markings:</u> Guidemark Souderton, PA | \$19,598.50 | Full Bid |
| <u>John Deere Tractor:</u> Robert E. Little Zieglerville, PA | \$45,118.00 | Full Bid |

The awards are consistent with the bid tabulation summary results prepared by the Township Manager. The motion carried unanimously.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Franconia Township Planning Commission will hold a Regular Meeting on Monday, April 3rd, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. at the Franconia Township Municipal Building, 671 Allentown Road, Telford, Pennsylvania 18969

The next Regular Board of Supervisors meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, April 17, 2017 at the Franconia Township Municipal Building, 671 Allentown Road, Telford, Pennsylvania 18969. The Board of Supervisors Work Session will be held on April 17, 2017 at 5:00 p.m. at the same location.

Motion to Adjourn

A motion was made by Mr. Fazio and seconded by Mr. Kratz to adjourn the meeting at 7:34 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Beth T. Gooch

Planning and Zoning Coordinator