

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, May 18, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. at the Municipal Building, 671 Allentown Road, Franconia, Pennsylvania 18924.

Present were 1st Vice-chairman Grey Godshall, 2nd Vice-chairman W. Keith Freed and Supervisors Curtis N. Kratz, and Drew Darrah; Township Manager Kevin D. Baver; Cpl Stephen Rinker; Township Solicitor Joseph C. Kuhls, Esquire; Public Works Director Paul R. Nice; Township Engineer Cindy Van Hise, P.E.; Building and Code Inspectors Roger M. Koffel and Jerry Rittenhouse and interested residents of Franconia Township.

OPENING MEETING TO THE PUBLIC

Mr. Jonathan E. Rinde, Esq., Chairman and Ms. Elizabeth Emlen, Administrator of the Montgomery County Agricultural Land Preservation Board presented a Resolution to Supervisor Curtis N. Kratz in appreciation for his nineteen years of service as a member of the Montgomery County Agricultural Land Preservation Board and also as a member of the Montgomery County Farm Bureau and the County Conservation District.

Mr. Gerald Theil, 811 Allentown Road, wished the two (2) Board of Supervisors running for Re-Election, W. Keith Freed and Curtis N. Kratz good luck on Primary Election Day.

APPROVAL OF APRIL 2009 MEETING MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. Freed and seconded by Mr. Kratz to approve the April 13, 2009 Regular Meeting Minutes. The motion carried unanimously.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT – JOSEPH C. KUHL, ESQUIRE

A motion was made by Mr. Godshall and seconded by Mr. Kratz to adopt Resolution 09-16-18-05 – A Resolution Authorizing the appropriate Township Officials to execute a Traffic Signal Agreement between Franconia Township and the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation. (Allentown and Wambold Roads) The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 09-17-18-05 was tabled.

A motion was made by Mr. Godshall and seconded by Mr. Freed to adopt Resolution 09-18-18-05 – A Resolution Authorizing the Appropriate Township Officials to Execute Highway Transfer Agreement between PennDOT and Franconia Township. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Freed and seconded by Mr. Kratz to Authorize the Township Manager and Township Solicitor to Prepare and Advertise an Amendment to the Administrative Code to require Contractors performing Home Improvement contracts to demonstrate registration with the Commonwealth of PA prior to performing said contracts in the Municipality of Franconia Township. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Kratz and seconded by Mr. Barndt to Authorize the Township Manager and Township Solicitor to Prepare and Advertise an Ordinance Establishing and Empowering the Indian Valley Library Commission to determine the Methodology for Funding the Indian Valley Library and Authorizing the Franconia Township to join an Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement for the Same Purposes. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Godshall and seconded by Mr. Freed to Authorize the Township Manager to prepare and advertise requests for proposals for Liability Insurance for all real property, Public Officials and Vehicle Insurance. RFP's to be due Tuesday, June 30, 2009 @ 10:00 AM. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Kratz and seconded by Mr. Freed to Authorize the Township Solicitor to commence action for the recovery of the Surety Bonds posted or financial guarantee for completion of the public improvements relative to the Belmont Estates and Westport Farms Developments and to retain special counsel to assist in that process.

POLICE REPORT – CORPORAL STEPHEN RINKER

Corporal Rinker submitted the Police report for April 2009.

ZONING REPORT – KEVIN D. BAVER

Mr. Baver submitted his report for April 2009.

HIGHWAY REPORT – PAUL NICE

Mr. Paul Nice submitted his report for April 2009.

ENGINEERING REPORT – BARRY L. WERT, P.E.

Ms. Van Hise submitted her report for April 2009.

TREASURER’S REPORT – KEVIN D. BAVER

A motion was made by Mr. Darrah and seconded by Mr. Godshall 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. 09-18-05 dated May 18, 2009 in the amount of \$952,294.85. 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 May 16, 2009 through June 12, 2009 according to the hours worked as listed on the Payroll Journal for the aforesaid period. The motion carried unanimously.

LAND DEVELOPMENT

1. A motion was made by Mr. Freed and seconded by Mr. Kratz to approve Resolution 09-19-18-05 - A Resolution approving for Act 537, Plan Revision for New Land Development for MCC Material Resource Center - Souder Road. The motion carried unanimously.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Franconia Township Planning Commission will hold Regular Meetings on Monday, June 1, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. at the Franconia Township Municipal Building, 671 Allentown Road, Franconia, Pennsylvania 18924.

The next Regular Board of Supervisors meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, June 15, 2009 at the Franconia Township Municipal Building, 671 Allentown Road, Franconia, Pennsylvania 18924. The Board of Supervisors Work Sessions will be held on Friday, June 5, 2009 at 7:00 a.m. and Monday, June 15, 2009 at 5:00 p.m. at the same location.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

A motion was made by Mr. Kratz and seconded by Mr. Freed to adjourn the meeting at 7:22 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Kevin D. Baver, Secretary