

FRANCONIA TOWNSHIP

REGULAR MINUTES  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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Chairman Grey Godshall called the Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors to order on Monday, November 16, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at the Municipal Building, 671 Allentown Road, Telford, Pennsylvania 18969.

Present were Chairman Grey Godshall, Vice Chairman David Fazio, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-chairman Robert H. Nice, Supervisor Curtis N. Kratz, and Supervisor Steven P. Barndt. Also in attendance were Township Manager Jon A. Hammer, Chief of Police Joseph Kozeniewski, Township Solicitor Frank Bartle, Esquire, Township Engineer Doug Rossino, P.E., and interested residents of Franconia Township. Chairman Mr. Grey R. Godshall was absent.

**OPEN MEETING TO THE PUBLIC**

Chairman Godshall opened the meeting to the public.

Mr. Gerald Thiel, 811 Allentown Road, reported that he reviewed the budget and questioned the percentages used in the power point presentation that was presented to the public on November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2015. Specifically, Mr. Thiel didn't understand the percentage increase in revenues and decrease in expenditures that were presented, and what numbers were used to calculate those percentages. Township Manager Hammer told Mr. Thiel that he would look into his question and respond to him in the next few days.

**APPROVAL OF OCTOBER 19, 2015 MEETING MINUTES**

Mr. Barndt made a motion to approve the minutes from the October 19<sup>th</sup>, 2015 regular meeting. Mr. Nice seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**Presentation – Shop With A Cop**

Representatives from JBS presented the Franconia Township Police with a check for \$3,000.00 to use for their 2015 Shop with a Cop program. Officer Glenn Kranich thanked JBS, and gave all in attendance an overview of the program.

### **Solicitor's Report – Frank R. Bartle, Esquire**

Ordinance 386- FSA refinancing - AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF FRANCONIA, COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY, PENNSYLVANIA (THE "TOWNSHIP"), AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE INCURRENCE OF LEASE RENTAL DEBT, IN A MAXIMUM AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED NINE MILLION ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$9,180,000).

Township Manager Hammer summarized the ordinance before the Board of Supervisors, indicating that the township is responsible for guaranteeing the Franconia Sewer Authority's debt. In the Ordinance presented, the township will be guaranteeing a re-financing of old Authority debt, at a lower rate, with substantial savings to the Authority. A motion was made by Supervisor Fazio, seconded by Supervisor Nice to approve Ordinance 386. Approved 5-0.

### **POLICE REPORT- CHIEF JOSEPH S. KOZENIEWSKI**

Chief Kozeniewski submitted his report. Chief Kozeniewski

### **ZONING OFFICER REPORT-JON HAMMER**

Mr. Hammer indicated that the report has been filed and would answer any questions.

### **HIGHWAY REPORT-PAUL R. NICE**

Mr. Nice submitted the Highway Report. He reported that they are on target with their projects and are starting to get ready for winter.

### **ENGINEERING REPORT- DOUG ROSSINO, P.E.**

Mr. Rossino submitted his report and provided a summary of the projects.

### **TREASURER'S REPORT – JON A. HAMMER**

A motion was made by Mr. Nice 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. 15-16-11 dated November 16, 2015 in the amount of \$150,833.23. The motion carried unanimously.

### **PAYROLL**

A motion was made by Mr. Nice and seconded by Mr. Kratz for the Treasurer to be authorized to pay all employees during the current pay period. through November 16<sup>th</sup> , 2015

according to the hours worked as listed on the Payroll Journal for the aforesaid period. The motion carried unanimously.

#### **SUBDIVISION AND LAND DEVELOPMENT**

Mr. Barndt made a motion to approve Resolution 15-32-16-11 – A Resolution amending the Robert Landes Lot Line Adjustment Approval Resolution 15-19-20-07 by removing the reference to the Zoning Hearing Board Approval Condition. Kratz seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Mr. Barndt made a motion to approve Resolution 15-33-16-11 – A Resolution Granting Conditional Preliminary/Final approval for the “Bergey’s Realty Company Minor Subdivision” and the Property located at 461 Homestead Avenue, Franconia Township. Kratz seconded the motion. The motion passed.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Franconia Township Planning Commission will hold its regular meeting on Monday, December 7, 2015 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, December 14, 2015 at the Franconia Township Municipal Building, 671 Allentown Road, Telford, Pennsylvania 18969. The Board of Supervisors work sessions will be held on Wednesday, December 9, 2015 at 4:00 p.m. and Monday December 14, 2015 at 5pm.

#### **MOTION TO ADJOURN**

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

Respectfully submitted,

Jon Hammer