

## **FRANCONIA TOWNSHIP**

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### **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, November 19, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. at the Municipal Building, 671 Allentown Road, Franconia, Pennsylvania 18924.

Present were 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-chairman Grey Godshall, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-chairman W. Keith Freed, Supervisors Drew Darrah and Curtis N. Kratz; Township Manager Kevin D. Baver; Township Solicitor Joseph C. Kuhls, Esquire; Assistant Township Manager Jamie P. Worman; Township Engineer Barry Wert, P.E.; Public Works Director Paul Nice; Building and Code Inspectors Jerry Rittenhouse and Roger Koffel and interested residents of Franconia Township.

#### **OPENING MEETING TO THE PUBLIC**

Mr. Lane Anderson of 537 Schoolhouse Road inquired about the Leaf Collection Project. Mr. Baver reported that at this time there were no issues and that a formal report would be submitted sometime after the first of the year.

Mr. Gerald Thiel of 811 Allentown Road congratulated Supervisor Darrah on his re-election win.

#### **APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER 2007 MEETING MINUTES**

A motion was made by Mr. Kratz and seconded by Mr. Godshall to approve the October 15, 2007 Regular Meeting Minutes. The motion carried unanimously.

#### **SOLICITOR'S REPORT – JOSEPH C. KUHL, ESQUIRE**

A motion was made by Mr. Kratz and seconded by Mr. Freed to acknowledge receipt of petition from Kevin L. and Kimberly M. Hendricks to have their property located at 730 Hunsicker Road included in the Franconia Township Agricultural Security Area.

A motion was made by Mr. Darrah and seconded by Mr. Barndt to extend the Conditional Use Approval for Lincoln Woods (T.H. Properties) for a period of six-months to May 19, 2008 or until preliminary approval is granted by the Board of Supervisors.

A motion was made by Mr. Darrah and seconded by Mr. Barndt to adopt Resolution 07-35-19-11 – A Resolution Authorizing the Wire Transfer of Township Funds from Sovereign Bank to Other Institutions as approved by the Appropriate Township Officials.

**POLICE REPORT – CHIEF JOSEPH KOZENIEWSKI**

Chief Kozeniewski submitted the Police report for October 2007.

**ZONING REPORT – KEVIN D. BAVER**

Mr. Baver submitted his report for October 2007.

**HIGHWAY REPORT – PAUL NICE, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR**

Paul Nice submitted the report for October 2007.

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

Mr. Wert submitted the report for October 2007 and that there are no exceptions to the items listed on the agenda under Subdivision and Land Development.

**TREASURER’S REPORT – KEVIN D. BAVER**

A motion was made by Mr. Darrah and seconded by Mr. Freed 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. 07-19-11 dated November 19, 2007 in the amount of \$3,023,078.33. 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 November 17, 2007 through December 7, 2007 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. Godshall to approve Resolution 07-36-19-11, a Resolution for Act 537 Plan Revision for New Land Development for U.S. Stone Company (John Bragitikos) – Forman Road. The motion carried unanimously.
2. A motion was made by Mr. Freed and seconded by Mr. Godshall to approve Resolution 07-37-19-11, a Resolution for Act 537 Plan Revision for New Land Development for Lincoln Woods (T.H. Properties) – Kulp Road. The motion carried unanimously.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

A motion was made by Mr. Barndt and seconded by Mr. Freed to authorize the advertising of a notice of intent to appoint the firm of Bergey Yoder & Associates, P.C., Certified Public Accountants, to perform an audit of all Township Funds for the 2007 calendar year in lieu of Elected Auditors. Said appointment to be certified by Resolution of the Board of Supervisors at the Annual Organization Meeting scheduled for Monday, January 7, 2008. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Barndt and seconded by Mr. Freed to advertise that the 2008 Franconia Township Budget Documents are available for public inspection on weekdays at the Franconia Township Municipal Building from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. beginning November 21, 2007. The Board of Supervisors of Franconia Township will adopt the 2008 Budget Documents at the Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors to be held on Monday, December 10, 2007. The motion carried unanimously.

The Franconia Township Planning Commission will hold Regular Meetings on Monday, December 3, 2007 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, December 10, 2007 at the Franconia Township Municipal Building, 671 Allentown Road, Franconia, Pennsylvania 18924. The Board of Supervisors Work Session will be held on Friday, December 7, 2007 at 7:00 a.m. at the same location.

Mr. Baver presented to the Board of Supervisors an award received from the Montgomery County Green Futures a project of the Montgomery County Lands Trust for Regional Planning Recognition: Franconia Township's dedicated commitment to the Indian Valley Regional Planning Commission, an ongoing initiative which shapes the future through cooperative multi-municipal engagement in an effort to preserve and enhance Green Spaces.

**MOTION TO ADJOURN**

A motion was made by Mr. Kratz and seconded by Mr. Freed to adjourn the meeting at 7:20 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Kevin D. Baver, Secretary