

FRANCONIA TOWNSHIP

REGULAR MINUTES

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Chairman Grey Godshall called the Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors to order on Monday, October 16, 2023, at 6:06 p.m. at the Municipal Building, 671 Allentown Road, Telford, Pennsylvania 18969.

Present were Chairman Grey Godshall, Vice Chairman David B. Fazio, Supervisor Robert Nice, Supervisor Charles Amuso and Supervisor Jill Halteman. Also, in attendance were Township Manager Jon A. Hammer, Township Solicitor Eric Wert, Esquire, Township Engineer Douglas C. Rossino P.E, and interested residents of Franconia Township.

Open meeting to the Public

Chairman Godshall opened the meeting to the public. No comments were heard.

Chairman Godshall announced that in the Work Session, the 2024 budget was reviewed and there is no proposed tax increase.

APPROVAL OF THE SEPTEMBER 18, 2023 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Supervisor Fazio motioned for the approval of the minutes from the September 18, 2023 meeting. It was seconded by Supervisor Halteman, and all voted in favor, 5-0.

SOLICITOR 'S REPORT – ERIC WERT, ESQUIRE

Ordinance 423-23 Solicitor Wert announced that the Ordinance is an amendment to the Police Pension Ordinance. Specifically changes the term DROP participation period from 36 months to 60 months. As a result of the last Police Collective Bargaining Agreement this is a follow up. Supervisor Amuso made the motion to approve the Ordinance. It was seconded by Supervisor Fazio and the motion carried.

POLICE REPORT- CHIEF MICHAEL MARTIN

Chief Martin submitted the statistical report prior to the meeting. He took the opportunity to thank the Highway Crew for their time to fix the fields following the Fall Fest. Chief added that the department has sent its newer officers for various trainings.

HIGHWAY REPORT-ANTHONY FRYDLEWICZ

Mr. Frydlewicz submitted his report prior to the meeting.

ENGINEERING REPORT- DOUGLAS C. ROSSINO, P.E.

Mr. Rossino submitted his report prior to the meeting. He added that 869 Sunset Lane is under construction and the annual MS4 report was submitted at the end of September as required.

TREASURER'S REPORT

A motion was made by Supervisor Nice and seconded by Supervisor 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. 23-16-10 dated October 16, 2023, in the amount of \$977,757.66. Mr. Nice reported that there were checks for \$520,000 for pension payments, \$100,000 to the Fire Companies and about \$75,000 for the pole building. The motion passed, 5-0.

PAYROLL

A motion was made by Supervisor Nice and seconded by Supervisor Fazio for the Treasurer to be authorized to pay all employees during the pay period of October 16, 2023, through November 19, 2023, according to the hours worked as listed on the Payroll Journal for the aforesaid period. The motion carried unanimously.

SUBDIVISION AND LAND DEVELOPMENT

None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Franconia Township Planning Commission will hold its next Regular meeting on Monday, November 6, 2023, 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 on Monday, November 20, 2023, at 6:00 pm at the Franconia Township Municipal Building, 671 Allentown Road, Telford Pennsylvania 18969. The Board of Supervisors work session will be held on November 20, 2023, at 5 p.m. at the same location.

Motion to Adjourn

A motion was made by Supervisor Fazio and seconded by Supervisor Halteman to adjourn the meeting at 6:15 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Beth T. Gooch
Director of Administration and
Community Development