

Chairman Grey Godshall called the Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors to order on Monday, April 15, 2024, at 6:00 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.

Solicitor Wert announced that prior to the start of the meeting the Board met in an executive session to discuss potential litigation.

Open meeting to the Public

Chairman Godshall opened the meeting to the public. Mr. William Leister, 337 Morwood Road, raised concerns about the number of tractor trailers on Morwood Road. Chief Martin will look into it.

Gary Cassel, 319 Harrington Way, asked about the proposed warehouse project behind Leidy's. Mr. Hammer responded that there has been no further activity.

APPROVAL OF THE MARCH 18, 2024 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Supervisor Fazio motioned for the approval of the minutes from the March 18, 2024, meeting. It was seconded by Supervisor Nice, and all voted in favor, 5-0.

SOLICITOR 'S REPORT – ERIC WERT, ESQUIRE

Mr. Wert opened the public hearing for Ordinance 424-24 to amend the Franconia Township zoning map to rezone certain land identified as Tax Parcel No 34-00-03139-00-4 the location of Immanuel Leidy's Church which is currently split zoned between R-175 residential and INST – Institutional to INST – Institutional in its entirety. Court reporter Mary Gladwell was present to record the proceedings. Mr. Richard Kapusta, representing Immanuel Leidy's

Church, was present to answer questions from the Board and the public. Supervisor Halteman made the motion to approve the Ordinance. Supervisor Fazio seconded the motion, and all voted in favor.

Resolution 24-03-15-04 A resolution to adopt the Act 537 Sewage Facilities Planning Special Study for the County Line Road Sanitary Sewer Project. Mr. Hammer summarized the intent of the plan and the grant that has been received to fund the project. Supervisor Nice motioned for approval. Supervisor Fazio seconded and the motion passed.

POLICE REPORT- CHIEF MICHAEL MARTIN

Chief Martin submitted the statistical report and year-to-date report prior to the meeting. He announced that meetings to plan Fall Fest have been taking place and this year it will be held on October 5th and 6th.

HIGHWAY REPORT-ANTHONY FRYDLEWICZ

Mr. Frydlewicz submitted his report prior to the meeting. He added that the Township owned house on the park grounds has been demolished. Repairs to various bike trails were also completed.

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

Mr. Rossino submitted his report prior to the meeting. Final site plans have been approved for 718 Rising Sun Road and 680 Godshall Road. The JBS screening treatment building replacement grading permit has been approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT

A motion was made by Supervisor Nice and seconded by Supervisor Halteman 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. 24-15-04 dated April 15, 2024, in the amount of \$191,290.05 for normal monthly expenditures. The motion passed, 5-0.

PAYROLL

A motion was made by Supervisor Nice and seconded by Supervisor Amuso for the Treasurer to be authorized to pay all employees during the pay period of April 15, 2024, through May 19, 2024, according to the hours worked as listed on the Payroll Journal for the aforesaid period. The motion carried unanimously.

SUBDIVISION AND LAND DEVELOPMENT

Resolution 24-04-15-04 A resolution granting conditional preliminary/final approval to the plans for 205 Schoolhouse Industrial prepared for Schoolhouse Road Property Associates, LLC on the property located at 205 Schoolhouse Road, Souderton, Franconia Township, Montgomery County, Pennsylvania. Chairman Godshall made the motion for approval. Supervisor Amuso seconded the motion, and all voted in favor.

Resolution 24-05-15-04 A resolution granting conditional preliminary/final approval for the plans for “West Broad Street School Expansion Preliminary/Final Land Development” prepared for Souderton Area School District for the property located at 342 W. Broad Street, Souderton, Franconia Township, Montgomery County, Pennsylvania. The motion for approval was made by Chairman Godshall and seconded by Supervisor Fazio. The motion carried, 5-0.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Franconia Township Planning Commission will hold its next Regular meeting on Monday, May 6, 2024, 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, May 20, 2024, 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 May 20, 2024, at 5 p.m. at the same location.

Manger Hammer announced that Mr. Brent Landis has been hired as a new member of the Public Works department, Mr. Timothy Meyers has completed and passed his BCO training and test, and that Ms. Gooch will be celebrating 10 years with Franconia this week.

Motion to Adjourn

A motion was made by Supervisor Amuso and seconded by Supervisor Fazio to adjourn the meeting at 6:26 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Beth T. Gooch

Director of Administration and
Community Development