

March 15, 2022

The Franklin Township Supervisors met on the above date at the Franklin Township Administration Building located at 889 Fairyland Road. Township Officials present were Supervisors, Fred Kemmerer, Robin Cressley, and Jason Frey; and Secretary Brenda Cressley. A list of others in attendance at the meeting is attached to the Minute Book. Chairman Kemmerer called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m., and led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

Robin Cressley made a motion to approve the February 15, 2022 meeting Minutes. Jason Frey seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Secretary Report-

REMINDER, Saturday, April 9, 2022 – E-Cycling Event 9 a.m.-11 a.m. at the parking lot where the recycling center was located.

Reminder to Residents there will be a change for the Garbage Collection day for Good Friday, April 2, 2021. The Garbage will be collected on Thursday, April 1, 2021

On February 17, 2022 the Board of Supervisors held a three (3) way telephone conference from 3:30 p.m.-3:40 p.m. regarding a real estate property for sale.

The Supervisors held an executive meeting on February 24, 2022 with the Teamsters #773 Road Crew Members to amend the existing contract wages.

Supervisor Frey met with St. Luke's representative on February 28, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. to discuss the impact that St. Luke's Hospital Campus will have on Franklin Township

Franklin Township Supervisors held a Workshop Meeting on Tuesday, March 1, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. to discuss how to best utilize the ARPA funding Franklin Township has received. Copies of Minutes on file.

The Franklin Township Supervisors, Planning Commission and Carson Helfrich held a joint meeting to discuss the final draft Ordinances for Zoning and Planning on March 10, 2022 at 6:30 p.m.

Treasurer's Report – Jason Frey moved to accept the Treasurer's Report. Robin Cressley seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Zoning Report – No report was submitted.

UCC Building Code Official – No report was submitted.

Fire Chief's Report – Fire Chief Lynn Diehl submitted the February 2022 report for the Franklin Township Volunteer Fire Company. Fire Police submitted the February 2022 monthly report for the Franklin Township Fire Police. Copies on file.

Police Reports - Chief Jason Doll submitted a monthly report from (1/23/22-2/19/22)  
Copy is on file.

Central Carbon Municipal Authority – Received minutes of the January 17, 2022 meeting.  
Copies are on file.

Franklin Township Lions- No report was submitted

Unfinished Business - None

Communications –

Received a letter from the District Attorney of Carbon County, Michael Greek reaching to all the neighboring communities to consider regionalization of police departments; Received a thank you that commended Officer Jared Green, the letter stated he went above and beyond the call of duty to assist a couple in a very difficult situation; Received the 2022 Liquid Fuels Payment of \$219,751.44; Letter from Synagro regarding Dwight Eisenhower's and the use of Biosolids to be used on his Farm"2"; Letter of Approval from the Fish and Boat Commission for a Special Activity Permit regarding the fishing contest for the Lions Club, Pohopoco Rod and Gun Club and the National Turkey Federation Club EMAILS-Newsletters; COSTARS, DEP, PSATS, LTAP, NEPA, Delaware & Lehigh National Heritage Corridor, DEP.

Citizen Participation -

Robert Beers was present to explain the note that was placed on the Kriss Pines Estates Minor Subdivision Final Plan. The current property owner Mr. Banas was in attendance as well. Mr. Beers explained that the "Non Building Waiver" note on the plan was allowed by DEP. It was used because the property owner did not want to do soil testing and submit for approval a sewage facilities planning module and there was no present or future need for sewage disposal on Lot No. 537-L if it were used as "recreational land". Therefore, no sewage permit will be issued for Lot No. 537-L unless Franklin Township and DEP have both approved sewage facilities planning modules for Lot No. 537-L.

Township Residents Corey and Amanda Rabenold were here to express their desire to use their existing Pole Barn located at 4005 Long Run Road as a Haunted House. They would have live music, food vendor trucks, and live actors. He would like to include the woods located on his property too. Last year he held this event on only one night, approximately three hundred people attended, they had to have the Franklin Township Fire Police there to help park vehicles. They were given a donation. The display Haunted House and Woods would be held on a Friday and Saturday night from 7:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. from the last week of September 2022 to the first week of November 2022. The Supervisors told the Rabenold's because their property is zoned agricultural they would need to talk to the Zoning Officer to see if they would be permitted to hold this Haunted House Event.



**Brinker Tree Service**

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**MAR 7 2022**

Estimate

ADDRESS  
Franklin Township  
900 Fairyland Road  
Leighton, Pa 18235

ESTIMATE            24  
DATE                 03/06/2022  
EXPIRATION DATE   06/06/2022

DATE	SERVICE	DESCRIPTION	QTY	RATE	AMOUNT
	Tree removal	Cut 2 trees down and leave all wood on site.	1	1,850.00	1,850.00
SUBTOTAL					1,850.00
TAX					0.00
TOTAL					<b>\$1,850.00</b>

Accepted By

Accepted Date

Randy Green  
Owner

\* Estimate \*



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& More

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Date March 12, 2022



900 Fairyland Road  
Lehighton, PA 18235

QTY	DESCRIPTION	PRICE	AMOUNT
2	*Removal of sycamore trees behind building		
	* chip brush	price #1	
	* Remove wood		
	* clean up all debris from tree removal		
		Total	\$4,160.00
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2	*cut sycamore trees down		
	* cut limbs off of main trunk		
	* cut logs into handling pieces ranging from 18 inch pieces for larger logs and 3 ft for all others	price #2	
	* trees get cut up and left on job site		
	Thank You	Total	\$1450.00

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 Address Municipal Building  
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 Phone \_\_\_\_\_

### WORK TO BE PERFORMED

Take down 2 Sycamore trees  
behind building.

- Leave everything -

1,500.<sup>00</sup>

Take down 2 Sycamore trees  
behind building

- Remove everything -

\$4,000.<sup>00</sup>

Date

Total Cost & Labor

Mark Miller

Mailing Address:

350 Pine Top Drive  
Lehighton PA, 18235

New Business Cont'd-

Robin Cressley made a motion to award the lowest bid to Brinker Tree Services in the amount of \$2,500.00. Jason Frey seconded the motion. Fred Kemmerer abstained from voting due to relationship with one of the bidders. Motion carried.

Jason Frey made a motion to pay increases retroactive to January 31, 2022 regarding the Teamsters contract/memorandum of understanding for the Road Crew and Garbage Crew. Robin Cressley seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Supervisor Kemmerer commented the increases were needed to give the township the ability to attract employees. Supervisor Cressley stated this was a step in the right direction.

Jason Frey made a motion to hire Brian Miller on the road crew beginning on February 28, 2022. Fred Kemmerer seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Robin Cressley made a motion to send a letter of support to the Department of Community and Economic Development Greenways, Trails and Recreation Program for the Lehigh Canal Recreation Commission's (LCRC) Weissport Canal Overflow project. Jason Frey seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

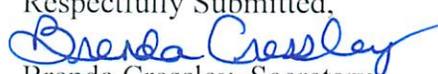
Fred Kemmerer made a motion to approve the list of equipment and to use Municibid to place the equipment on their bidding site. Jason Frey seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Supervisor Kemmerer also mentioned all monies received will go back into the account of which the vehicle/equipment was purchased.

Citizens Questions-

Resident Larry Williams asked if the Township was selling property. Supervisor Frey explained they held a telephone conference regarding the Township possibly purchasing a piece of property but their bid was declined.

Questions from the Press – None

Jason Frey made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 p.m. Robin Cressley seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,  
  
Brenda Cressley, Secretary