

March 21, 2017

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, Rod Green, Robin Cressley, and Barbara Beltz; and Secretary- Treasurer Brenda Neeb. A list of others in attendance at the meeting is attached to the Minute Book. Chairman Green called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m., and led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

Barbara Beltz made a motion to approve the February 21, 2017 meeting Minutes. Robin Cressley seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

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

Zoning Report - Zoning Officer Carl Faust submitted his report from 2/22/17 through 3/21/17. Revenue from Zoning Permits: \$123.80. Variance application fees - \$0.00.

UCC Building Code Official – Received report from Carl Faust, Building Code Officer from 2/22/17 to 3/21/17. No Building Permits issued. Revenue from Building Permits: \$0.00.

Fire Chief's Report – Fire Chief Lynn Diehl submitted the February 2017 report for the Franklin Township Volunteer Fire Co. #1. Francis Kresge submitted the February 2017 report for the Franklin Township Fire Police. Copies on file.

Police Reports - Chief Thomas Beltz submitted January/February Reports from (1/29/17-2/25/17) Copies on file.

Central Carbon Municipal Authority – Received minutes of the January 16, 2017 and February 27, 2017 meetings. Copy is on file.

Franklin Township Lions- Received March 2017 report/newsletter. Copy is on file.

Communications –

2017 Certificate of Membership in PSATS CDL Program; Thank you letter for proclaiming April 2017 as "Pennsylvania 811 Safe Digging Month" from Pennsylvania One Call; Certificate stating we recycled 15,086 pounds of textile in the year of 2016 from USA again (clothing bin); emails from PSATS, PSATS News Bulletin, PSATS grassroots, LTAP and NEPA, and Delaware & Lehigh Heritage Corridor.

Citizen Participation -

Ronald Solt was present to donate pictures of what the Phifer Ice Dams looked like in 1926. Ronald his wife Esther along with their son Joe enlarged the pictures and placed them in frames to donate to the Township. Mr. Solt went on to give a little history of the Phifer's Ice Dams. The pictures were taken by Robert Phifer who was employed by the Ice Dams at that time. The donated pictures have a caption that describes each picture.

Citizen Participation cont'd-

He said when the property came up for sale the Township purchased the property. Once they acquired the property they applied for grants to make improvements. Most of the improvements were completed by the Township's road crew and Jerome Dotter. Chairman Green added that currently our Recreation and Parks Board have been holding monthly meetings in effort to raise money to revitalize the existing playground area.

New Business -

One (1) bid proposal was received. The proposal submitted by Superior Plus Energy Services, Exton Pa. The bid was opened and read as follows:

6,000 Gal. No. 2 Heating Oil, Unit Price per Gal. - \$1.7152 Fluctuating Price- Scranton OPIS Plus (differential) - \$.2150 per gal- for heating oil. TOTAL Price: \$10,291.20

10,000 Gal. Low Sulfur Diesel Fuel, Unit Price per Gal. - \$1.7862 Fluctuating Price- Scranton OPIS Plus (differential inclusive of the winter blend additive) - \$.0250 per gal – Diesel Fuel. TOTAL Price: \$17,862.00

Robin Cressley made a motion to award the bid for No.2 Heating Oil and Low Sulfur Diesel Fuel to the lone bidder, Superior Plus Energy Services, Exton, Pa. Barbara Beltz seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Opening of Bids for 10,000 Gal. 87 Octane No/Lead Gasoline At-the-Pumps -- No bid proposals were received. This was the second time the invitation to bid was advertised.

Barbara Beltz made a motion to purchase 87 Octane No/Lead Gasoline at Frank's Service Center in Franklin Township, due to the fact that no bids were received. Robin Cressley seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Barbara Beltz made a motion to approve the Franklin Township Athletic Association Auxiliary's meeting dates for the year of 2017 to be held at the Franklin Township Administration Office. Robin Cressley seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. List of dates on file.

Robin Cressley made a motion to approve a request from the Leighton Orioles Nest #183 & Home Association to have Franklin Township's Fire Police assist with traffic control/parking vehicles on June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and 4<sup>th</sup> at the Orioles Carnival. Barbara Beltz seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Robin Cressley made a motion to send a letter of support to the Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program supporting the Carbon County Commissioners request for funding the construction of an Emergency Operations & Fire Training Facility. Barbara Beltz seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Green asked for a nomination to appoint an Acting Chief, effective April 1, 2017. Robin Cressley, made a motion to appoint Jason Doll as Acting Chief effective, April 1, 2017. Barbara Beltz seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Chairman Green added the board has recently hired three (3) part-time police officers and has now appointed an Acting Chief to replace Chief Thomas Beltz. He feels the Township will now have better coverage than in the past.

Questions from the Press – None

Barbara Beltz made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:50 p.m. Robin Cressley seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Brenda Neeb  
Secretary-Treasurer