

May 16, 2023

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 minutes of the April 18, 2023 Township Meeting. Jason Frey seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Jason Frey made a motion to approve the minutes from the April 18, 2023, Christman Ballfield Meeting. Robin Cressley seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Secretary's Report –

The Secretary announced there would be a change for Memorial Day's garbage collection. Monday, May 29th will be picked up on Tuesday, May 30th.

Carbon County Planning & Development Office held a Zoom Meeting regarding the 2023 CDBG money on Thursday, April 20, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. Copy of Agenda was sent and is attached to the minute book. Franklin Township will be receiving \$98,485.00. The administration fees will be \$17,727.00 and \$80,758.00 for our selected project.

On Friday, April 12, 2023 the Supervisors held an interview for the full-time Road Crew position and the Part-time Garbage Truck Position. Supervisor Frey was unable to attend.

May 2nd and May 4th Interviews were held for the part-time clerical position.

Reminder- Our first Movie Night is Friday, May 19, 2023. Entertainment will begin at 7:00 p.m. and Finding Nemo will begin approximately at 8:15 p.m.

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

Zoning Report - Zoning Officer Paul Jarrett submitted his report from 4/18/23 through 5/15/23. Revenue from Zoning Permits: \$759.95. Variance Application fees - \$0.00. Copy of report is on file.

UCC Building Code Official – Paul Jarrett submitted his reports from 4/18/2023 through 5/15/2023. Revenue from Building Permits: \$372.50. Copy is on file.

Fire Chief's Report – Fire Chief Lynn Diehl submitted the April, 2023 report for the Franklin Township Volunteer Fire Company, as well as for the Fire Police. Copies are on file.

Reports Cont'd-

Police Report – Chief of Police Jason Doll submitted the Police reports to the Board of Supervisors from 4/2/23 to 4/29/23. Copies are on file.

Road Crew Report – Reports given: 4/16/23-4/29/23, 4/30/23-5/13/23

Central Carbon Municipal Authority – Ronald Solt submitted the CCMA minutes and reports from the April 17, 2023 meeting. It was noted that CCMA had to clean rags out of the Main Road Pump Station on April 24, 2023. St. Luke's is working on the basket trap project, parts are on back order.

SEO Report was submitted from Scott Bieber from 2/1/23-4/30/23

SEO Report was submitted from Ian Farrell (Alternate SEO) – from 3/30/23-4/6/23

Communications-

Received the 2023 first quarter account statement(s) for the Police Pension Plan from Girard Pension Services, LLC Investment Advisory Agreement with Nationwide as our Plan Custodian, also received a copy of the quarterly invoice from Girard Pension Services which was paid by our plan; All Supervisors received a copy of same; Received the Dept. of Auditor General's Compliance Report for the Franklin Township Firemen's Relief Association for the period of January 1, 2020 to December 31, 2022, noting all significant respects, complied with applicable state laws, contracts, bylaws, and administrative procedures related to the state aid and the expenditure of relief association funds; Received Sewer Section 1 (Infiltration & Inflow) Televising Report from Arro Consulting regarding the services completed from Pipe Data Services; Annual Letter from PennDot regarding bridge safety inspection for Franklin Township; Certificate of Recycling of 7,892 lbs of electronic waste was from our April 1, 2023, Electronic E-cycling Event. (note 12,050 lbs – 4/9/2022 and 2,062 lbs in Oct 2022); Emails: Newsletter- COSTARS, NEPA, PSATS, DEP, and LTAP

Citizen Participation - None

Old Business – None

New Business -

Robin Cressley made a motion to adopt Resolution 2023-09 Price adjustment of Bituminous Materials for small quantities (allowing an escalator clause for bituminous material to be included as part of the Seal Coat Proposal) Jason Frey seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

New Business Cont'd-

Opening of Bids for Seal Coat on various roads within Franklin Township 50,000 SY of Single Bituminous Seal Coat) – One (1) bid proposal was received. The sole bid was opened and read as follows: (Asphalt Maintenance Solutions LLC-AMS)

THIS PORTION TO BE COMPLETED BY THE MUNICIPALITY

As indicated below and in Attachments 1-A and 1-B Contractor is to place either a Single or Double Bituminous Seal Coat using a Polymer Modified Emulsion, CRS-2PM (E-3M) or RS-2PM (E-2M) and #8 Stone with a 1.0% Loss by Wash. All material to be complete in place in conformance with PENNDOT Pub. 408, Section 470.

ESCALATOR CLAUSE: (If adopted by the Municipality)
Contract contains an Escalator Clause for quantities of bituminous material of less than 100 tons of asphalt cement including asphalt cement residue contained in emulsions or cutbacks. PennDOT Pub. 408, Section 110.04 will apply to quantities of bituminous materials greater than 100 tons of asphalt cement including asphalt cement residue contained in emulsions or cutbacks. (See Attachment 1-A for more information)

SCHEDULE OF PRICES					
1. Item No.	2. Approximate Quantities	3. Units	4.*Description	5. Unit Price	6. Total
BASE BID ROAD(S)					
1.	9,032	SY	T-543 Mill Run Drive from SR-2012 to T-544 Pine Cone Drive Single Bituminous Seal Coat using a Polymer Modified Emulsion and #8 Stone with a 1.0% Loss by Wash, Surface Category Condition "C", ADT <100	\$ 2.31	\$ 20,863.92
2.	6,013	SY	T-554 Pine Cone Drive from T-543 Mill Run Drive to T-543 Mill Run Drive Single Bituminous Seal Coat using a Polymer Modified Emulsion and #8 Stone with a 1.0% Loss by Wash, Surface Category Condition "C", ADT <100	\$ 2.31	\$ 13,890.03
3.	2,694	SY	T-545 Pine Needle Drive from T-544 Acorn Drive to T-554 Pine Cone Drive Single Bituminous Seal Coat using a Polymer Modified Emulsion and #8 Stone with a 1.0% Loss by Wash, Surface Category Condition "C", ADT <100	\$ 2.31	\$ 6,223.14
4.	6,030	SY	T-544 Acorn Drive from T-543 Mill Run Drive to a Cul-de-sac Single Bituminous Seal Coat using a Polymer Modified Emulsion and #8 Stone with a 1.0% Loss by Wash, Surface Category Condition "C", ADT <100	\$ 2.31	\$ 13,929.30
*DESCRIPTION Must include ADT on Wearing surfaces. USE OF CUTBACK ASPHALT IS PROHIBITED BETWEEN MAY 1 st and OCTOBER 31 st EXCEPT AS NOTED IN BULLETIN NO. 25.				SUBTOTAL	\$ 54,906.39
				SUBTOTAL(S) FROM OTHER ATTACHMENT(S)	
				TOTAL AMOUNT OF BID	

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BASE BID ROAD(S)					
5.	7,242	SY	T-541 Plantation Drive from T-419 Forest Street to a Cul-de-sac Single Bituminous Seal Coat using a Polymer Modified Emulsion and #8 Stone with a 1.0% Loss by Wash, Surface Category Condition "C", ADT <100	\$ 2.31	\$ 16,729.02
6.	1,735	SY	T-540 Kriss Pines Drive from T-419 Forest Street to T-541 Plantation Drive Single Bituminous Seal Coat using a Polymer Modified Emulsion and #8 Stone with a 1.0% Loss by Wash, Surface Category Condition "C", ADT <100	\$ 2.31	\$ 4,007.85
7.	4,230	SY	T-398 Sawmill Road from SR-2012 to a Dead End Single Bituminous Seal Coat using a Polymer Modified Emulsion and #8 Stone with a 1.0% Loss by Wash, Surface Category Condition "C", ADT <100	\$ 2.31	\$ 9,771.30
8.	339	SY	T-396 Sawmill Spur from T-398 Sawmill Road to a Dead End Single Bituminous Seal Coat using a Polymer Modified Emulsion and #8 Stone with a 1.0% Loss by Wash, Surface Category Condition "C", ADT <100	\$ 2.31	\$ 783.09
*DESCRIPTION Must include ADT on Wearing surfaces. USE OF CUTBACK ASPHALT IS PROHIBITED BETWEEN MAY 1 st and OCTOBER 31 st EXCEPT AS NOTED IN BULLETIN NO. 25.				SUBTOTAL	\$ 31,291.26
				SUBTOTAL(S) FROM OTHER ATTACHMENT(S)	\$ 54,906.39
				TOTAL AMOUNT OF BID	

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ADDITIONAL BID ROAD(S)					
9.	4,433	SY	T-419 Forest Street from the east end of SR-2012 east for 1,900' Single Bituminous Seal Coat using a Polymer Modified Emulsion and #8 Stone with a 1.0% Loss by Wash, Surface Category Condition "C", ADT 100-500	\$ 2.31	\$ 10,240.23
*DESCRIPTION Must include ADT on Wearing surfaces. USE OF CUTBACK ASPHALT IS PROHIBITED BETWEEN MAY 1 st and OCTOBER 31 st EXCEPT AS NOTED IN BULLETIN NO. 25.				SUBTOTAL	\$ 10,240.23
				SUBTOTAL(S) FROM OTHER ATTACHMENT(S)	\$ 86,197.65
				TOTAL AMOUNT OF BID	\$ 96,437.88

Robin Cressley made a motion to award the bid for approximately 50,000 SY Single Bituminous Seal Coat to the only bidder, Asphalt Maintenance Solutions LLC (AMS). Supervisor Cressley noted last year the bid was lower - \$224 per SY. Jason Frey seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

5/16/2023 Twp. Mtg.

Opening of Bids for Road Materials – Only one (1) bid was received. The sole bidder was from Lehigh Asphalt Paving & Construction Co., Tamaqua, Pa. ROAD MATERIAL bid was opened and read as follows:

MS-863

ATTACHMENT #1

Lehigh Asphalt Paving & Construction, Co., Inc.

SCHEDULE OF PRICES - MATERIALS

BIDDER NAME: _____

1	2	3*	4**	5	6	A	7	8	8***	C
Item No.	Approx. Quantity	Unit	Description	Remarks and/or Delivery Dates	Unit Price FOB Plant	Total (2 x 6)	Unit Price Delivered at Job Site	Total (2 x 7)	Unit Price Delivered as Directed	Total (2 x 8)
1	2,500	Tons	Superpave WMA 9.5mm, PG 64S-22, Wearing Course, 0.0 to 0.3 million ESAL's, SRL-L	FOB Plant and FOB Delivered to the Twp. Paver	\$ 67.80	\$ 169,500.00			\$ 78.80	\$ 197,000.00
2	100	Tons	Superpave WMA 9.5mm, PG 64S-22, Wearing Course, ANY ESAL, SRL-ANY	FOB Plant and FOB Delivered to the Twp. Paver	\$ 66.25	\$ 6,625.00			\$ 77.25	\$ 7,725.00
For additional instructions see the "Additional Instructions and Special Conditions for MS-863" sheets										
Source Location:				Andreas						
Mileage one way to the Twp. Bldg.:					12.1 Miles					

*Gallons-Tons-Feet-etc. **Includes Class-Size-Diameter ***For Bituminous or other Pavements in Place, Use Form MS-944

Use of Cutback Asphalt is Prohibited Between May 1st and October 31st Except as Noted in Bulletin No. 25.

All Columns Must Be Completed Unless Otherwise Indicated.

MS-963

SCHEDULE OF PRICES - MATERIALS

ATTACHMENT #1

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 BIDDER NAME: _____

1	2	3*	4**	5	6	A	7	8	8***	C
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3	200	Tons	Superpave WMA 19.0mm, PG 64S-22, Wearing Course, 0.0 to 0.3 million ESAL's, SRL-L	FOB Plant and FOB Delivered to the Twp. Paver	\$ 62.75	\$ 12,550.00			\$ 73.75	\$ 14,750.00
4	300	Tons	AASHTO #1 Stone AS2, AS3, or AS4	FOB Plant and FOB Delivered as Directed to the Twp Garage or Alternate Site	\$ 16.15	\$ 4,845.00			\$ 23.05	\$ 6,915.00
5	1,600	Tons	PennDOT Anti Skid AS2, AS3, or AS4	FOB Plant and FOB Delivered as Directed to the Twp Garage	\$ 15.95	\$ 25,520.00			\$ 22.85	\$ 36,560.00
For additional instructions see the "Additional Instructions and Special Conditions for MS-963" sheets										
Source Location:										
Mileage one way to the Twp. Bldg.:										

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SCHEDULE OF PRICES - MATERIALS

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Item No.	Approx. Quantity	Unit	Description	Remarks and/or Delivery Dates	Unit Price FOB Plant	Total (2 x 6)	Unit Price Delivered at Job Site	Total (2 x 7)	Unit Price Delivered as Directed	Total (2 x 8)
6	100	Tons	AASHTO #57	FOB Plant and FOB	\$ 16.40	\$ 1,640.00			\$ 23.30	\$ 2,330.00
			with 1% Loss by Wash	Delivered as Directed						
				to the Twp Garage						
				or Alternate Site						
7	1500	Tons	PennDOT	FOB Plant and FOB	\$13.25	\$ 19,875.00			\$ 20.15	\$ 30,225.00
			2A Aggregate	Delivered as Directed						
			(more or less)	to the Twp Garage						
				or Alternate Site						
8	250	Tons	AASHTO #8	FOB Plant and FOB	\$ 22.50	\$ 5,625.00			\$ 29.40	\$ 7,350.00
			with 2% Loss by Wash	Delivered as Directed						
				to the Twp Garage						
				or Alternate Site						
			For additional instructions see the "Additional							
			Instructions and Special Conditions for MS-863" sheets							
			Source Location:							
			Mileage one way to the Twp. Bldg.:							

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Robin Cressley made a motion to award the contract for Road Materials to the lone bidder Lehigh Asphalt Paving and Construction Co. He noted the prices per ton were higher than 2021's bid including the antiskid was higher as well. Jason Frey seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

New Business Cont'd-

Robin Cressley made a motion to retroactively approve the request from Palmerton Borough to have Franklin Township's Fire Police assist with traffic control for the Raising of the House 5K on Saturday, May 13, 2023 at 8:15 a.m. Jason Frey seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Jason Frey made a motion to approve the request from Palmerton Borough for the assistance of the Franklin Township Fire Police for the Palmerton Memorial Day Parade – Monday, May 29, 2023. Robin Cressley seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Jason Frey made a motion to hire Linda Smith as a part-time clerk beginning on May 22, 2023 Fred Kemmerer Jr. seconded the motion. Robin Cressley opposed the motion. Motion carried.

Robin Cressley made a motion to accept the verbal resignation of Employee #106 as of May 12, 2023. Jason Frey seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Jason Frey made a motion to accept the verbal resignation from Employee # 97 as of May 19, 2023. Robin Cressley seconded the motion, Motion carried unanimously.

Supervisor Cressley stated unfortunately we lost two really good employees, happily for them both found better employment offers. Per Fred Kemmerer Jr. we just cannot compete with the private sector. Jason Frey added we are sorry to lose Nancy Koch to retirement. All three Supervisors were all in agreement.

Public Comments/Questions

Resident Larry Williams asked the board how and what are they doing with the hiring of employees to replace the ones that are leaving. Chairman Kemmerer responded we have advertised in the Times News and Indeed.com.and have interviews set up for this week.

Mr. Williams also said the Pohopoco Rod and Gun Club's Fishing Contest held at the Phifer's Ice Dam on May 14th went very well, they had about 69/70 kids that participated. He also said the Lions Club's Fishing Club Contest held on May 13th went very well too, they had about 70-75 kids.

Robin Cressley thanked the Clubs' for holding the contests for the kids. It was suggested that the signs that were put in place should be made larger so people can see them better. Larry said he will mention it at their next meeting.

Questions from the Press – Terry Ahner was present from the Times News and TV 13 was present.

Robin Cressley made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:15 p.m. Jason Frey seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Brenda Cressley". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Brenda" and last name "Cressley" clearly legible.

Brenda Cressley, Secretary