

**Franklin Township, Adams County
Board of Supervisors Meeting**

February 3, 2022

SUPERVISORS PRESENT: Supervisor Santay, Supervisor Crushong, and Supervisor Williams

OTHERS PRESENT: Bernard Yannetti, Solicitor, Gil Picarelli, KPI Technologies, Susan Plank, Secretary/Treasurer, and Curt MacBeth, Roadmaster

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

Mr. Meligakes, owner of 296 Church Road notified the Board that he is in attendance to discuss that well at 296 Church Road. Supervisor Santay informed Mr. Meligakes that he would have an opportunity when the Board gets to that item.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION by Supervisor Crushong, seconded by Supervisor Williams to approve the January 3, 2022 Re-organizational Meeting Minutes, the January 3, 2022 Regular Board of Supervisors Meeting Minutes, and the January 20, 2022 Workshop Meeting Minutes as presented. Motion carried, 3-0.

APPROVAL OF BILL LIST #2

MOTION by Supervisor Williams, seconded by Supervisor Crushong to approve Bill List #2 General Account Check Nos. 37463 – 37504 totaling \$94,623.44 and State Fund Account Check Nos. 6629 and 6630 in the amount of \$6,187.61, with a Grand Total of \$100,811.05. Motion carried, 3-0.

PRELIMINARY/FINAL PLAN

LTP Rentals – Land Development Plan

Gil Picarelli, KPI Technologies informed the Board that there are only minor comments that need to be met but he highlighted comment “6” which states “A letter should be provided by Sunoco Pipeline verifying that proposed pipes and grading in the easement is permitted”. Mr. Terry Sheldon, Civil Engineer informed the Board that they have given their plans to the pipeline company and they have not heard back from them but LTP Rentals has met all the criteria that was supplied to them. Mr. Sheldon does not see an issue with this item.

MOTION by Supervisor Crushong, seconded by Supervisor Santay to conditionally approve the LTP Rentals Land Development Plan with the additional eight (8) items being met. Motion carried, 2-0 with Supervisor Williams abstaining.

Hiking Trail – Sarah Kipp Email – Update

Susan Plank, Secretary/Treasurer informed the Board that the Township received an email from Sarah Kipp asking about the status of the Indemnification Letters. Susan Plank, Secretary/Treasurer informed the Board that the Township received a copy of the Indemnification Letters this afternoon. Supervisor Santay instructed Susan Plank, Secretary/Treasurer to send the letters to Sarah Kipp via email.

STORMWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN

Gil Picarelli, KPI Technologies informed the Board that the following Stormwater Management Plans have been improved this month:

1310 Greenridge Road – Lew Property

75 Poplar Springs Road – Fer Property

524 Church Road – Zook Property

1325 Hilltown Road – Tempel Property

REPORTS

Reports will be posted on line for review

OLD BUSINESS

Strausbaughs / 5 Newman Road – Settlement Extension – February 28, 2022. No Update

American Rescue Plan Funding Act – Susan Plank, Secretary/Treasurer informed the Board that PSATS held a Webinar on January 20th concerning the Final Rule. There has been a change in how you can calculate or use the Revenue Loss. Townships can still calculate your Revenue Loss or you can now take a “Standard Allowance” up to \$10 million. Some of the uses now included roads, bridges, stormwater, water, sewer, vehicle or equipment purchase, new buildings, computer and software upgrades. Supervisor Williams would like Susan Plank, Secretary/Treasurer to reach out to PSATS and get confirmation that if the Township decides to spend the funds on any approved item is there a chance that the Federal Government cannot come back on the Township and say that it was not an approved use.

NEW BUSINESS

Tax Collector – Class fee reimbursement and Township EIN Number

Susan Plank, Secretary/Treasurer informed the Board that the newly elected Tax Collector was asking about being reimbursed for her class fees and using the Township EIN Number. Susan Plank, Secretary/Treasurer informed the Board that she contacted PSATS and they responded as follows:

1. The township is permitted, but not required, to reimburse the tax collector for the exam costs.
2. The preferable option is to have them get their own EIN number and have them open the account under this number.

MOTION by Supervisor Williams, seconded by Supervisor Crushong to deny reimbursement of class fees and have the newly elected Tax Collector to obtain their own EIN number. Motion carried, 3-0.

Tax Collector – Deputy Sign-Off

Susan Plank, Secretary/Treasurer informed the Board that the new elected Tax Collector dropped off her Deputy Sign-off sheet for the Board to approve and sign. Supervisor Santay asked who was elected to be the Deputy Tax Collector. Susan Plank, replied that the Deputy was Jody Piper.

MOTION by Supervisor Crushong, seconded by Supervisor Williams to approve Jody Piper as Deputy Tax Collector under Jamie Gebhardt. Motion carried, 3-0.

2022 South Penn Enduro Event – September 11, 2022

MOTION by Supervisor Williams, seconded by Supervisor Crushong to approve the 2022 South Penn Enduro event to be held September 11, 2022. Motion carried, 3-0.

South Mountain Antique Engine Association Tractor Ride – May 14, 2022, 9 am to 2 pm.

MOTION by Supervisor Williams, seconded by Supervisor Crushong to approve the 2022 South Mountain Antique Engine Association Tractor Ride – May 14, 2022, 9 am to 2 pm. Motion carried, 3-0.

296 Church Road – Well

Susan Plank, Secretary/Treasurer informed the Board that Lynda, PA Municipal Code Alliance sent the Township an email concerning the well at 296 Church Road. There are options: to make the existing well deeper or to dig a new well. If the existing well can be dug deeper that there is no action. If the Owner has to dig another well, the location will be within the 20” set-back as required in the Well Ordinance and the resident is asking for a waiver if they need to dig another well.

Motion by Supervisor Santay, seconded by Supervisor Williams to give approval for 296 Church Road to drill a well contingent upon the Owners signing an indemnification letter which will be drafted by Solicitor Yannetti. Motion carried, 3-0.

Resolution No. 2022-02 – Pension Plan Contribution increase to 10% of Gross Salaries for 2022

Motion by Supervisor Crushong, seconded by Supervisor Williams to approve Resolution No. 2022-02 to increase the Pension Plan Contribution to 10% of Gross Salaries for 2022. Motion carried, 3-0.

Resolution No. 2022-03 – Tax Collector Fees as follows:

1. Tax Certification Fee – Ten Dollars (\$10.00) per Certification.
2. Tax Duplicate Fee – Five Dollars (\$5.00) per Duplicate request.
3. Returned Bank Fee – Thirty Dollars (\$30.00 Returned Check Fee).

Motion by Supervisor Crushong, seconded by Supervisor Williams to approve Resolution No. 2022-03 to set the Tax Collector Fees as follows:

1. Tax Certification Fee – Tenn Dollars (\$10.00) per Certification.
2. Tax Duplicate Fee – Five Dollars (\$5.00) per Duplicate request.
3. Returned Bank Fee – Thirty Dollars (\$30.00 Returned Check Fee).

Motion carried, 3-0.

Advertise for Material, Seal Coat, Seal Coat – Oil Only, Line Painting, and Fuel Bids.

Motion by Supervisor Williams, seconded by Supervisor Crushong Williams to approve advertising for Materials, Seal Coat, Seal Coat – Oil only, Line Painting, and Fuel Bids. Motion carried, 3-0.

GUEST

Mr. Michael White introduced himself as a reporter for the Gettysburg Times and he will be covering the Township meetings in the future. He is also a resident of the Township and is happy to be involved in the news of the Township. He informed the Board that he does have some questions for the Board after the Executive Session.

The Board of Supervisors went into Executive Session at 7:28 pm concerning a Personnel issue. The Board of Supervisors came out of Executive Session at 7:40 pm.

Mr. White, Gettysburg Times questioned the Board about the following:

1. Where were the rental units going to be? Supervisor Santay informed Mr. White that Mini Storage Units were going in at the vacant lot on the North West Side of the intersection of Route 234 and Route 30.
2. Who was the Developer of the Units? Supervisor Santay commented that LTP Rentals was the developer and that they were local.
3. What was the amount of the American Rescue Funds was the Township to received? The Board commented that Franklin Township was to receive approximately \$497K total which half received last summer and the other half is to be received in June, 2022 sometime. The Township is seeking more clarification of eligible uses.
4. Where is the Hiking Trail going to be? Supervisor Santay informed Mr. White that the trail will run from Knouse Fruitlands (Round Barn/Thirsty Farmer) to Boyer Nursery going to Hauser Hill and one little lot that is privately owned. Solicitor Yannetti

informed Mr. Smith that the point of contact for the trail would be Ms. Sarah Kipp of Land Conservancy of Adams County.

5. What was the event on September 11, 2022? Solicitor Yannetti informed Mr. Smith that this was the South Penn Enduro Event, which is a European style motorcycle ride.

ADJOURN

MOTION by Supervisor Williams, seconded by Supervisor Crushong to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan J. Plank
Secretary/Treasurer

Chairman _____

Supervisor _____

Supervisor _____