

Franklin Township, Adams County
Board of Supervisors Workshop Meeting
September 19, 2024

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

OTHERS PRESENT: Gil Picarelli, KPI Technology and Susan Plank, Secretary/Treasurer.

The workshop, held at the Franklin Township Municipal Building, was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Crushong.

“JR” Crushong, Chairman informed everyone that there is a change to the agenda by adding Ordinance No. 2024-02 – Salt Shed Bank Note to the agenda.

MOTION by Supervisor Santay, seconded by Supervisor Williams to add Ordinance No. 2024-02 – Salt Shed Bank note to the agenda. Motion carried, 3-0.

Hanover Land Services, - Kuhn Subdivision – Old Route 30

Mr. Kris Raubenstine addressed the Board and presented them with an alternative the sprinkler idea that they presented at other meetings. Mr. Raubenstine commented that they have placed two (2) areas where 15,000-gallon underground tanks will be buried in the development and fire hydrants at each location. There was much discussion about pressure and how the tanks will be used during a fire. Jeff Bowling, Chief of Cashtown Community Fire Company suggested that there be more than two (2) fire hydrants for each tank. Jeremy Davis, Plant Operator for the Franklin Township Municipal Authority commented that this would have to be reviewed by the Authority’s Engineer for comments. Mr. Davis also commented that this was a step in the right direction which the Board of Supervisors agreed. The Board of Supervisors commented that this needs to be brought back to the Municipal Authority for their comments and review.

RFP – CPA Firm

Susan Plank, Secretary/Treasurer informed the Board that they were given the proposal at the last meeting and asked if they had reviewed? The Board commented that they briefly looked over the proposal and would like to table their decision until the Board of Supervisor’s meeting in October.

MOTION by Supervisor Santay, seconded by Supervisor Williams to table the decision on the Township CPA firm until the October 3rd Board of Supervisors Meeting. Motion carried, 3-0. S

2025 Preliminary Budget

Susan Plank, Secretary/Treasurer informed the Board that there were two (2) changes to the Preliminary Budget:

1. State Payment in lieu of taxes for Michaux Land in the Township have increased by approximately \$4,000.00.
2. CPA expense has increased to \$10,000.00 which represents the estimated cost of a new CPA Firm to complete the Audit of the Township financials for DEP.

Supervisor Santay commented that the Board also needed to look at wages. Susan Plank, Secretary/Treasurer informed the Board that the wages show a 3.4% cost of living increase as of August 2024.

Guest

Resident Dale Graves commented on Subdivision that was discussed earlier and was wondering if it wouldn't be cheaper to put in their own system. There was discussion on this but that is something that needs to be discussed with the potential owner/developer.

Resident Darren Flake asked where the 3.4% cost of living number came from. Susan Plank, Secretary/Treasurer informed Mr. Flake that this number comes from the Price Index which she checks every month.

There were no further comments.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Chairman _____

Vice-Chairman _____

Supervisor _____