

**Franklin Township, Adams County  
Board of Supervisors Workshop Meeting  
October 17, 2019**

**SUPERVISORS PRESENT:** Henry Crushong, Jr., Matt Williams, and Chris Santay.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Susan Plank, Secretary/Treasurer

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

**Equipment Purchases**

Supervisors discussed purchasing a Bucket Truck with cash and a Mack Tandem dump truck with a deferred payment for 2021.

**MOTION by Supervisor Williams, seconded by Supervisor Santay to purchase a Bucket Truck with cash and a Mack Tandem dump truck with a deferred payment for 2021. Motion carried, 3-0.**

**Pre-liminary 2020 Budget** - Susan Plank informed everyone that there have been no changes in the Pre-liminary 2020 budget. All numbers are in and the budget is ready for advertisement and review.

**MOTION by Supervisor Santay and seconded by Supervisor Williams to have Susan Plank, Secretary/Treasurer to advertise the Pre-liminary 2020 Budget for review. Motion carried, 3-0.**

**Beech Springs Farm** – Primary Use / Accessory Use – The Supervisors discuss the complaint received concerning Primary Use versus Accessory Use for the Beech Springs Farm located at 784 Mt. Carmel Road. Supervisors instructed Susan Plank, Secretary/Treasurer to set up a meeting with Solicitor Yannetti and Zoning Officer Wilbur Slothour at the site with the Supervisors also being present.

**481 Church Road**

Supervisors discussed the new information that was given to the Township by Gil Picarelli, KPI Technologies. There is a possibility that the trailer's septic next door may be connected to the septic at 481 Church Road. Gil Picarelli, KPI Technologies will be investigating this issue.

**5630 Chambersburg Road – Chalmers**

Supervisor Santay showed pictures of past and present conditions of the site at 5630 Chambersburg Road. Mr. Chalmers has made a significant improvement to the site. He has tag and inspection stickers on all of the vehicles on the lot. He has all the trailers tagged also. Mr. Chalmers informed Tim McCauslin of Land and Sea that he keeps parts in the trailers to sell on the internet. The Supervisors decided to keep an eye on the property to make sure that it does not become a lot with unauthorized vehicles.

## Adams County Council of Governments Resolutions

Susan Plank, Secretary/Treasurer issued copies of three (3) Resolutions that the Adams County Council of Governments is going to take a vote on at their October 24, 2019 meeting. The three (3) Resolutions are as follows:

1. **Legislation to increase prevailing wage thresholds from \$25K to \$250K while including provisions for future adjustments and allowing certain Municipal and Educational exemptions within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.**

Supervisors are in favor of this Resolution.

2. **Support of Legislation for use of radar and similar technology for speed enforcement within Municipal and Regional Police Departments throughout the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.**

Supervisors are in favor of this Resolution.

3. **Support of Legislation providing certain exceptions to Cyber Charter School funding and establishing limitations on tuition and fees for full-time public-school cyber programs within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.**

Supervisors would like to be more informed on this Resolution before making a decision.

## Cost Estimate from Klingers / Pre-Disaster Mitigation Grant Program

Susan Plank, Secretary/Treasurer informed the Board that resident Bicky Redman forward an estimate from Klinger's Sawmill to remove the trees from the Conewago Creek along the Narrows. Ms. Redman also sent an email concerning a grant possibility but the funding is 1 -2 years out and very competitive. Ms. Redman would like to see Franklin and Menallen consider the Klinger's Sawmill estimate.

The Supervisors generally have the opinion that why should the Townships be responsible for trees falling in streams, creeks, waterways. The consensus was that the Township should not be responsible for this work. Susan Plank, Secretary/Treasurer informed the Board that Ken Wolf, Menallen Township had called to let the Township know that he talked to Neil at Klinger's Sawmill and Neil said there are approximately 20 logs in the creek and 30 logs along the creek. The issue at the Narrows bridge has only happened approximately 3 – 4 times in the last 30 years.

Resident Bicky Redman also sent an email asking that the Board consider adding burn barrels and control burns to the Noise and Nuisance Ordinance. There was some discussion on this item but no decision was made.

Susan Plank, Secretary/Treasurer reminded the Board that the Township does have two (2) volunteer resumes and the only vacancy is on the Zoning Hearing Board as an alternate. Supervisors informed Susan to keep the resumes on file for further consideration.

Guest comments: None

The workshop was adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

Susan J. Plank  
Secretary/Treasurer

Chairman \_\_\_\_\_

Supervisor \_\_\_\_\_

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