

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

November 4, 2021

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

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

Arend Visser, 656 Church Road informed the Board that he is the buyer on the 5 Newman Road property. He will discuss more when the item comes up on the agenda.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION by Supervisor Crushong, seconded by Supervisor Williams to approve the October 7, 2021 Board of Supervisors Meeting Minutes. Motion carried, 2-0. Supervisor Santay abstained as he was not present.

MOTION by Supervisor Williams, seconded by Supervisor Santay to approve the October 21, 2021 Workshop Meeting Minutes. Motion carried, 2-0. Supervisor Crushong abstained as he was not present.

APPROVAL OF BILL LIST #11

MOTION by Supervisor Crushong, seconded by Supervisor Williams to approve Bill List #11 General Account Check Nos. 37294 – 37344 totaling \$120,090.42. Motion carried, 2-0. Supervisor Williams abstained as he did not see the Bill List.

PRELIMINARY/FINAL PLAN

Aaron P. Friese – Final Subdivision

Gil Picarelli, KPI Technologies informed everyone that he just received the revised plans this evening for review.

MOTION by Supervisor Crushong, seconded by Supervisor Williams to table final approval of the Friese Final Subdivision until revised plans are review. Motion carried, 3-0.

Brian and Patrick Redding – Land Development Plan

Terry Sheldon, Civil Engineer informed everyone that the revised plans are being worked on at this time. Gil Picarelli, KPI Technologies informed Mr. Sheldon that he may want to consider a request for an extension if he doesn't think he is going to have the information by the December 2, 2021 Board of Supervisors meeting.

MOTION by Supervisor Crushong, seconded by Supervisor Williams to table the approval of the Brian and Patrick Redding Land Development Plans until revised plans are received and reviewed. Motion carried, 3-0.

Land Conservancy of Adams County (LCAC – Fruit and Wine Trail

Supervisor Santay asked Gil Picarelli, KPI Technologies if he had anything on this. Gil Picarelli, KPI Technologies informed the Board that the biggest question on this is a Land Development Plan was required? Supervisor informed everyone that the Board has had some discussion on this matter before but it is not before the Board again. Supervisor Santay informed everyone that there is a difference of opinion on this matter and that there were a significant amount of pages missing the last time. Gil Picarelli, KPI Technologies informed everyone that all the pages as he can see are there. There was much discussion again about whether and full Land Development Plan is required. The Board would like for Gil Picarelli, Engineer, Solicitor Yannetti, and Chief Zoning Officer Clem Malot to get together and discuss whether there needs to be a full Land Development Plan for this trail and get back to the Board before the workshop meeting on November 18, 2021.

MOTION by Supervisor Crushong, seconded by Supervisor Williams to table the approval of the Fruit and Wine Trail until a review and recommendation from the Township Engineer, Solicitor, and Chief Zoning Officer. Motion carried, 3-0.

STORMWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN

Gil Picarelli, KPI Technologies informed the Board that KPI Technologies has approved two (2) Stormwater Management Plans – one (1) for Carmack on Pine Tree Road and Lew on Greenridge Road.

Gil Picarelli, KPI Technologies informed the Board that he has looked at the Bottom Road project and there is a possibility of Bog Turtles. KPI will have to go out and do a wetland test. Gil told the Board that he is 98% sure that it is not a habitat for Bog Turtles but they need to do the study. Once the study is done, he will let the Township know the results.

REPORTS

Reports will be posted on line for review

OLD BUSINESS

Strausbaughs / 5 Newman Road

Arend Visser informed the Board that he has a current contract to purchase 5 Newman Road. Mr. Visser wanted to make the Board aware that he plans to clean the outside up first and then work on renovating the inside and bringing it to code. Closing date is set for December 31, 2021 and the contract is that Mr. Visser and his mother take over the property as is and he will be responsible for cleaning up the outside and bringing the house to code. Mr. Visser was concerned about the fines. Sharon Hamm, PA Municipal Code Alliance informed the Board and Mr. Visser that the violations are against the Occupant of the house and not the property. Solicitor Yannetti informed Mr. Visser that there is a Municipal Lien against the house that will need to be paid. Mr. Visser would like fifteen (15) days from the time he takes Ownership to clean up the outside of the property. The Board informed Mr. Visser that this sounds reasonable.

Karen Jeffcoat, addressed the Board about the property at 5 Newman Road. Ms. Jeffcoat stated that this property is her sister's and she said that they have done everything that the Township has asked. Supervisor Williams informed Ms. Jeffcoat that there hasn't been much progress in years.

American Rescue Plan Funding Act:

Susan Plank, Secretary/Treasurer informed everyone that there has been no update on the funding and how it can be spent.

11 Mountaintop Drive – Emotional Animals:

Susan Plank, Secretary/Treasurer informed everyone that the Zoning Hearing is set for November 16, 2021 at 4:00 p.m. here at the Township.

Trash Service Bids Update:

Susan Plank, Secretary/Treasurer informed everyone that the Northwest Group has advertised, Pre-bid meeting is set for November 23, 2021 at 2:00 p.m. here at Franklin Township and the Bids are to be open at the Board of Supervisors Meeting set for December 2, 2021 here at Franklin Township.

Constable Proposal:

Motion by Supervisor Crushong, seconded by Supervisor Williams to table this discussion until the Board of Supervisors meeting on December 2, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.
Motion carried, 3-0.

NEW BUSINESS

Crystal / James Arter – 110 Mountain Road – Second Driveway

Mr. Arter informed the Board that he is here concerning a second driveway at his residence. Mr. Arter said that it was a stone parking area for years and he just got tired of all the mud and having to push cars out of the mud. It is only approximately 15 x 12. Supervisor Santay informed Mr. Arter that two (2) driveways on the same parcel require the approval of the Board and he understands that it has been there for a while. There was much discussion about why the Township is requiring the approval of a second driveway. Mr. Arter informed everyone that the State Inspector that comes every year has said nothing about a fence being around the play area of the children. Sharon Hamm, PA Municipal Code Alliance informed Mr. Arter that he should contact the Land Owner and get a letter saying that the Land Owner is okay with the 2nd driveway.

Bruce Strasbaugh – Resignation – Franklin Township Municipal Authority

Susan Plank, Secretary/Treasurer informed the Board that the Township has received the resignation of Mr. Bruce Strasbaugh, Franklin Township Municipal Authority.

MOTION by Supervisor Crushong, seconded by Supervisor Williams to accept the resignation of Bruce Strasbaugh of the Franklin Township Municipal Authority. Motion carried, 3-0.

Charitable Contributions as Budgeted:

- SPCA - \$50.00
- Library - \$600.00
- Office of Aging - \$650.00
- Adams County Transit Authority (ACTA) - \$500.00

MOTION by Supervisor Crushong, seconded by Supervisor Williams to approve the Charitable Contributions as budgeted. Motion carried, 3-0.

Approve 2022 Preliminary Budget / 2022 Preliminary Budget – Advertise

MOTION by Supervisor Williams, seconded by Supervisor Crushong to table the approval of the 2022 Preliminary Budget and the advertisement of the 2022 Preliminary Budget. Motion carried, 3-0.

GUEST

Residents Mike and Sandy Baumgardner commented that they wanted to know why they received a Violation Letter concerning the equipment and stone that is at their property located at 3161 Chambersburg Road. After much discussion on this matter, the Board and Sharon Hamm, Zoning, PA Municipal Code Alliance will re-look at this violation as there may have been some miscommunication on this matter.

Resident Mr. Bill Smith mentioned to the Board that he lives at 2540 Mummasburg Road and he knows that it is a State Road but he is concerned about the speed that the traffic travels this road. He was hoping that the Township can do something about getting more police coverage at this area of Mummasburg Road as he has had some close calls in pulling out of his driveway. Supervisor Santay informed Mr. Smith that since the Township does not have a Police Department or any kind of enforcement that he would be willing to contact the State Police to see if they could patrol this area more.

Supervisor Santay also asked those in attendance what they thought about Police coverage in Franklin Township. There were some no's but not a lot of feedback on the questions at this time.

Resident Kevin Bollinger asked why when a resident wanted to do just complete some basic renovations, i.e., window replacement, new bath, etc., do they need to get a Land Use Permit. Sharon Hamm, PA Municipal Code Alliance said it was to make sure that they are not making and structural changes to the home and to make sure that the resident is doing what they say they are going to do. Sharon also commented that this needs to be reviewed and informed Susan Plank, Secretary/Treasurer to not have the resident fill out a Land Use Permit but to make sure that they contact her office for an exemption.

ADJOURN

MOTION by Supervisor Crushong, seconded by Supervisor Williams to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan J. Plank
Secretary/Treasurer

Chairman _____

Supervisor _____

Supervisor _____