

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

July 6, 2017

SUPERVISORS PRESENT: Jerry Arrison, JR Crushong and Chris Santay

OTHERS PRESENT: Gil Picarelli, KPI Technology, Jeffrey Black, Roadmaster, Dale Byers, Larry Dillon, Curt MacBeth, Road Crew, and Susan Plank, Secretary/Treasurer

The workshop, held at the Franklin Township Municipal Building, was called to order at 6:00 p.m. p.m. by Supervisor Henry Crushong, Jr.

Zoning Hearing Board Solicitor:

Supervisor Crushong asked if the Township received any feedback from invitations or phone calls for the Zoning Board Hearing Solicitor position. Susan Plank, Secretary informed the Board that she had hear back from the following: Mr. John Phillips of Phillips and Phillips is too busy at this time to take anything else on. Battersby Law Office is interested but he was too busy to send an updated quote but said that the Township could use the letter from 2015 when he applied for the Township Solicitor position – his rate is \$100 per hour. Mr. Harry Eastman of Puhl, Eastman, & Trasher is interested in the position. – his rate is \$165 per hour and the paralegal will be billed at \$80 per hour. Saltzman Hughes, P.C. is also interested/ Mr. Steve Coccorese, Esq. would be the primary attorney and his billing would be \$185 per hour and their paralegal would be billed at \$125 per hour.

Supervisor Crushong asked Wilbur Slothour of Land & Sea if he had worked with Battersby Law Firm and Wilbur replied that he had not on Zoning Hearing. Supervisor Crushong asked Gil Picarelli, KPI Technologies if he had every worked with Battersby Law firm and he informed the Board that he had and that Battersby represents Hamiltonban. The Supervisors suggested that Susan Plank, Secretary scan the resumes of the Solicitors and send to the Zoning Hearing Board Members for their review and comments to be due by the next Board of Supervisor’s meeting.

Wilbur Slothour – Land & Sea – Food Use on Agricultural Land

Per Wilbur Slouthour, Land and Sea informed the Board that the Zoning Ordinance only puts restaurants in a Commercial District but if they are an accessory use to a winery, etc. then they are permitted. Supervisor Crushong told Wilbur that the reason this was brought up was because of Knouse Fruitlands wants to put restaurant in the Brewery and the Wedding Barn. Wilbur said that since they are commercial establishments they would have to meet the commercial requirements and get licensed by the State and the State regulates them and inspects them. They would have to have commercial kitchens and the State will not let them use residential equipment in a commercial kitchen. Wilbur informed everyone that the Township would not have anything to do with the restaurants and that they would be mandated by the State. The licensing application with the State is

not an easy process. The Township has nothing specific to keep a kitchen from being permitted in the Township.

Supervisor Arrison asked Wilbur to check out the camper that sitting behind the property up off Old 30 where the yard sale items are and that is owned by Daniel Keys. Supervisor Arrison says it looks as if someone is living in the camper. Wilbur said that he would have it checked out.

Supervisor Crushong asked Wilbur if he knew where Tim was with the burn out building at the end of Old Route 30. Wilbur responded that he knows that he was in contact with the Owner but did not know what else had been done. The Supervisors want citations issued and this cleaned up as soon as possible.

Wilbur Slothour of Land and Sea wanted to regroup about the Dog Dock Diving Event at Knouse Fruitlands. The way that the Zoning Ordinance is written if it was not listed as an approved activity then it is supposed to automatically go before the Zoning Hearing Board for approval. Wilbur wanted to know how the Board wanted things to be handled in the future. Supervisor Crushong responded by saying that once the Zoning Hearing Board hires a Solicitor that there needs to be more communication between the Zoning Hearing Board Solicitor and Bernie Yannetti, Township Solicitor on matter such as this. Supervisor Crushong impression was that Bernie Yannetti handle this as an event type item being held once a month and only temporary dock, etc. Wilbur informed the Board that any use not listed in Section 175.8 of the Zoning Ordinance needs to go before the Zoning Hearing Board for a variance or special exception. Supervisors would like the agreement pulled and looked at again.

Wilbur also informed the Board that he has been contacted by General Lodge to extend the building permit. Wilbur has responded and they have been told that they have one (1) more year on the permit and if no construction is in place before that one year then they will have to get a new permit issued.

Supervisor Crushong asked how many times is Tim stopping in the office. Wilbur thought he was stopping in once a week to update and to find out if there were any issues. Susan informed everyone that he is stopping about once every two or three weeks. Supervisors would like to see Tim in the office more and in the area to check things out.

Winding Road Analysis

Supervisors asked when the shoulders will be completed. Jeff Black, Roadmaster informed the Board that after Miltonberger Road is finished then the shoulders will be completed. The Road Crew will have to put the berm machine on the Mack and finish it themselves. Supervisor Crushong asked if there was a time frame of when this has to be done. Larry Dillon, PT Road Crew mentioned that the road stayed soft and he is concerned about this winter. He would like to see more options on bidding versus what the Township can do themselves referencing blacktop. There was concern about where the seams are and the road crew will not know how it will turn out until after the winter months. Dale Byers, Road Crew said they thought there was a chemical imbalance is why it is soft. Larry Dillon said that St. Thomas is definitely the avenue to go for

material. Curt MacBeth suggested that the Township stock pile the stone for the Township use and for tar and chipping because at this time Hammaker cannot get the stone to do the tar and chipping. Curt iterated that he wanted to make sure that if the Township is spending the money for a new truck that the Township continues to haul their own material. Curt's other concern was that Hammaker did not key in where the State road meets Winding Road. Curt is concerned that this winter that the wing plow on the State truck is going to pop that edge up. Supervisor Santay wanted to know why they did not notch the roads when the machine was brought here at the shop and it just sat here. The contract reads notching the driveways but not notching the intersections. There was much discussion on this item and thought is that for further jobs that notching the intersections must be included in the contract. A remedy was suggested for the edges was to tar seal the joints. Everyone thought the project went well except the notches not being done. The Townships worked well together and everyone was pleased. Jeffrey Black, Roadmaster said that he was told that the notches did not need to be done by Hammaker. Supervisor Crushong would like Jeff to call Hammaker and ask them why the driveways were not notched. Chris Santay asked about how many blacktop driveways need to be notched. Everyone answered that there are two (2) driveways that should have been done.

Hickory Bridge Road Bridge Repair

Supervisor Crushong asked Curt to tell Gil of KPI Technologies about the Quincy project. Quincy did a 43' x 24' wide bridge with footers, headwalls, concrete slab for \$80k on Old Forge Road. Gil mentioned that if the Townships are capable of doing the bridge themselves that the Townships could save a ton of money. There was much discussion on the ways that the Hickory Bridge Road Bridge repair could be done. The Supervisors would like to set up a meeting with Quincy Township to talk to them about how they completed the bridge on Old Forge Road. Susan Plank was asked to set up the meeting.

Truck Purchase

Supervisor Crushong wanted to know that the road crew is okay with the specs. Everyone had look at what the specs were and everyone is good. Susan Plank, Secretary mentioned the warranties that Kenworth is offering and it was agreed upon to accept the Eaton Transmission and Clutch Cover – 5 year / unlimited miles for an additional cost of \$625.

2018 Road Project

Jeff Black, Roadmaster said that the road crew and himself were discussing a couple of road projects for next year, one being Pine Tree Road in the Valley. Jeff commented that it would cost approximately \$130K to place FB3. The discussion was ended as the Workshop was closed at 7 p.m.

There being no further business the Workshop Meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Susan J. Plank
Secretary/Treasurer

Chairman _____

Supervisor _____

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