

**Franklin Township, Adams County
Board of Supervisors Workshop Meeting
March 1, 2018**

SUPERVISORS PRESENT: Chris Santay, JR Crushong (via telephone), and Matt Williams

OTHERS PRESENT: Mr. Gary Hartman for Bernie Yannetti, Solicitor, Dominic Picarelli, KPI Technologies, Curtis MacBeth, Roadmaster, Susan Plank, Secretary/Treasurer

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

McKnighstown Traffic Speeding Issue Update:

Mr. Jon Painter from Traffic Logistics gave a presentation on the Traffic Sign that the Township is considering for purchase. Mr. Painter explained how the sign works, gave statistics, and approximate cost of the sign. The sign would show speed, time, date, and target speed. This sign would replace the existing traffic counter that is out of date but still working at the present time. Curt MacBeth, Road Foreman informed everyone that the traffic counter showed no real improvement in speed in the area and that the average speed in the area is 41 MPH.

Mr. Alan Miller – 1550 New Road – Bore Under Township Roadway:

Mr. Miller address the Board of Supervisors about running a 1” water line across New Road so that he is able to get water to his livestock. Dominic Picarelli of KPI Technologies informed the Board that a Road Occupancy Permit would probably be sufficient (if Township Solicitor agrees), with a drawing to show length and width and also a bond to cover the cost if there should be any problems with the road. Supervisor Santay asked Mr. Miller if he plans to bore or trench? Mr. Miller informed he has not done any research yet as he was told to come to the meeting to see what the Board would like him to do. Mr. Miller has no estimates on the cost of either boring or trenching. Dominic explained the Bonding procedures to Mr. Miller so that he knows what needs to be done. The USDA suggested that Mr. Miller run the water line through the culvert that is there and it would be disconnected in the winter so it does not freeze. Mr. Miller wanted to know if this was a possibility? Supervisor Santay informed Mr. Miller that this option is something that the Board is going to have to look into further before an answer is given. Supervisor Williams suggested that he sleeve the line if Mr. Miller bores under the road. The Board suggested that Mr. Miller get his cost together and decide which options he would like to do and then bring the information to the April 5th Workshop Meeting. The Township in the meantime will look into running the line through the culvert.

Pat Schindel – 1291 Mt. Carmel Road:

Ms. Schindel asked the Board if they received their letter. She informed the Board that it is the same thing as a couple of years ago and it is from the backup. There is backup near the bio duct and the culvert needs to be opened and take care of. She measured and this is the Township responsibility, it is within the 16 ½ feet from the center of the road. Supervisor Santay asked Curt, Road Foreman if he hadn’t been out to take care of the this. Curt informed Ms. Schindel that he was out the next morning and removed leaves from the grate and cinders from the lawn and put in the truck. He also called the number that Schindel left, which was her tenant and informed them that this work was done. The tenant told Curt that the end of the driveway was tore up by the contractor who plows the driveway and not the Township. Ms. Schindel replied that no this was not done and Curt informed her that he was up there at 7:30 the day after she

called and then came back to the office and made the call. Ms. Schindel believes that this was not done and it needs to be completed. There was much discussion about right of way from the center line of the road. The Board informed Ms. Schindel that the Township has the right of way that extends 16 ½ feet from the center line but each resident is responsible for their own property up to the Township Road. The Township's right of way is only for use by them if they need to widen the road, work on culverts, etc. This does not mean that the Township is responsible for the end of her driveway. Supervisor Santay asked Ms. Schindel to look at the culvert and let the Township know if this still needs attention.

Tree Trimming Ordinance:

Supervisor address everyone about a complaint that he received at his home about Land and Sea issuing a complaint about trees along the roadway that were blocking the view of the roadway along Mt. Carmel Road. The Township has an Ordinance in place that requires residents to keep trees, shrubs, etc. from encroaching the roadway. Supervisor Santay asked Solicitor Gary Hartman that if a tree is in the way of a road project who is responsible for removing the tree. Supervisor Crushong commented that this would fall on the Township as the Township wants to widen the road and this tree has been in the right of way for a good amount of time. The Ordinance now reads that residents are band from planting trees within the right of way in the Township. Supervisor Santay confirmed that the resident that called his residence was Catherine Roth of Mt. Carmel Road and she was surprised to get the complaint as she had not been contacted at all about the tree problem on her property. Supervisor Santay informed everyone that the Township needs to get in touch with Catherine Roth and identify which trees need to be taken care of and that she had no problem with taking care of these trees. The Township is willing to table the warning proceedings as long as she agrees to take care of the trees. Supervisor Santay asked Curt, Road Foreman to make contact with her and Tim McCauslin from Land and Sea and set up a time to meet so that everyone is on the same page.

Ms. Neller – Organize Clean-up Project:

Ms. Neller address the Board wanting to organize a Township Clean-up Day on some of the Township Roads that are in need of it sometime in April. She has been looking at the Great American Clean up brochure for Pennsylvania and the PennDot can supply vest, gloves, trash bags, signage, etc. She would solicit people from groups like, Boy/Girl Scouts, College students, Church Groups. She thought maybe the Township Road crew could supply a truck to pick up the trash bags after they are done. She was asking what the Township could supply and any suggestions they may have. Supervisor Santay informed Ms. Neller that he thought this was a good idea but he would like to get the Solicitor's opinion as the Township cannot take on any liability for this. She didn't know if there was waiver that the volunteers could sign. Supervisor Santay and Crushong mentioned that maybe the road crew can give her a map that she can use to target areas that need to be cleaned up. Solicitor Hartman informed her that you cannot have a child in Pennsylvania waive liability. Anyone under 18 years of age will not be able to sign a waiver. Solicitor Hartman suggested that the Board talk to his partner about the liability and also to talk to the Township Insurance Company that carries the Liability and get their thoughts on this. Supervisor Santay suggested that Ms. Neller attend the Workshop in April which will give them time to get the answers that she and the Township needs.

Review of Nuisance/Noise Ordinance: No update at this time. Supervisor Santay informed everyone that the Board will start working on the review of such an Ordinance.

Electronic Recycling Update:

Susan Plank, Secretary/Treasurer informed everyone that the first electronic recycling event will be held this Saturday, March 3, 2018 from 8:00 am to 12:00 pm at the Biglerville Fire Hall. Future dates are posted on the Website, on the front door of the office, and a list is on the table in the back of the room.

Park and Recreation Plan Update:

Dominic Picarelli, KPI Technologies said that this would be discussed at the Regular BOS Meeting.

E-mail List Update:

Susan Plank, Secretary/Treasurer informed everyone that there is a tab for everyone to sign up for email blast from the Township on the website. This information will not be sold or given to anyone, this is for Township use only to keep their residents informed.

Zoning Text Amendment Update:

Dominic Picarelli from KPI Technologies informed the Board and this will go with the Parks and Recreation portion at the Regular BOS Meeting.

Zoning Hearing Board – Does the Board want the BOS Solicitor present at all Zoning Hearings?

It was the consensus of the Board to have the Township Solicitor be present at all Zoning Hearings. Susan Plank, Secretary/Treasurer informed the Board that there is a Zoning Hearing scheduled this month and that Bernie Yannetti, Solicitor cannot make the meeting. The Board asked Mr. Hartman if he could possibly fill in for Mr. Yannetti. Mr. Hartman asked Susan to call him with the date and time and he will see if he is available.

Open Materials Bids:

The Board of Supervisors opened the Materials Bids from New Enterprises, York Materials, and St. Thomas Development. The Board checked to see if all Bid Bonds and forms were filled out properly. The Board then handed the bids to Curt MacBeth, Road Foreman to put into a spreadsheet to determine the lowest bidder.

Motion by Supervisor Williams, seconded by Supervisor Crushong to adjourn the Workshop meeting at 7:05 pm. Motion carried, 3-0.

Susan J. Plank
Secretary/Treasurer

Chairman _____

Supervisor _____

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