

**Franklin Township, Adams County
Board of Supervisors
Workshop Meeting
March 2, 2017**

SUPERVISORS PRESENT: Jerry Arrison, JR Crushong and Chris Santay

OTHERS PRESENT: Jeffrey Black, 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 Henry Crushong, Jr.

Chief Matt Johnson from Arendtsville Community Fire Company, Inc. presented to the Board of Supervisors their updated box cards. Chief Johnson informed the Board that there were no Territory changes. They upgraded their structure response to four (4) engines, three (3) tankers, one (1) truck, and an EMS Unit. They also added Rescue Engine 27 to the appropriate box card for when it is placed in service.

Matt Rebert from the Franklin Township Youth League presented to the Board that the League has approximately 96 kids signed up for Baseball and Softball. Mr. Rebert also informed the Board that they are creating two (2) older softball teams. Mr. Rebert informed the Board that the League moved into the Cal Ripken division so that they had teams to play. Mr. Rebert said that they became the only Independent team and that they had no other teams to play. He also informed everyone that they had the following teams: 2 – T-ball, 2 – 8U, 2 – 10U, 1 Major Baseball teams and 8, 10, 12, and 14 softball teams. Supervisor Crushong asked if they still have the vouchers if a family cannot afford to pay. Mr. Rebert informed the Board that they still have those vouchers and have used them in the past for a family whose Mom had cancer and had three (3) children in the League. Mr. Rebert also told everyone that they will be installing a temporary fence on the upper Softball Field near the pine trees.

Mr. Kevin Knouse of Knouse Fruitlands inquired about a dock diving unit on the property which is located on the Cashtown Road. This is allowed. It would consist of an above ground pool, approximately 3 – 4 feet deep with a ramp for the dogs. The attraction would take place once a month from May through November and would draw approximately 40 to 80 people per event. The Board of Supervisors informed Mr. Knouse that he should contact Wilbur Slothour with Land and Sea Services to be certain exactly what would be needed to have this be a reality. There would be permits, amusement tax, etc. involved and Mr. Slothour would be the contact on this type of event.

Mr. Phillip Layton addressed the Board of Supervisors about constructing a garage with an efficiency apartment above the garage for him to live in. At this time he is unable to build a house because of the cost. He did inform the Board that he eventually would like to build a house on his land. The Board of Supervisors also informed Mr. Layton to contact Wilbur Slothour at Land and Sea and he would inform Mr. Layton of the steps that he would need to take to get a permit.

Jeff Black, Roadmaster informed the Board of Supervisors that he had Joshua Kopp, Township PennDot Rep. in to look at the Old Route 30 and Bingaman truck issue that Mr. Norwich called about. Mr. Kopp suggested an engineering study would first need to be done to determine the amount of truck traffic is used on the road, to see if the NO Truck Turning signs are warranted, and to determine if posting the road for weight would alleviate the issues. Supervisor Crushong asked Gil of KPI Technology about completing a weight study on Bingaman and Sunset/Flohrs Church Road. Gil of KPI told the Board that it would take approximately three to four days to

complete and that he would email Supervisors are worried about the damage the tractor trailers are doing to the Township roads that they are traveling, i.e. Bingaman Road, Sunset/Flohers Church Roads.

Jeff Black, Roadmaster asked the Supervisors if they wanted him to attend the Adams county State of Waters Conference at the Ag Center on March 15, 2017 from 8 am to 3 pm. Supervisor Crushong asked Jeff to forward the email to the Supervisors for their review. Jeff also informed the Board that the Road Crew will be attending the PA One Call Safety day on June 22, 2017.

Jeff Black Roadmaster informed everyone that the cost of winter maintenance was approximately \$30,000.00. The Road Crew has 3 – 4 more days of mowing brush. Supervisor Crushong asked Jeff about sweeping roads. Jeff told everyone that he does not have that scheduled yet but it would probably be done the end of March. Jeff Black told everyone that new oil pans will need to be installed on the Kenworth and Unit 5 in the Fall. Susan suggested that Larry Dillon may be able to complete this maintenance work and it would be a lot cheaper than sending the trucks out. Supervisor Arrison reminded Jeff that the trucks needed to be winterized this summer for the winter months. Jeff ask about installing concrete in the truck building. Susan Plank, Secretary informed the Board that she has only received one price on the concrete work. Supervisors asked Susan to follow up on the getting prices for the concrete job.

Jeff Black, Roadmaster informed the Board that the snow plow on Unit #6 was broken and that U. S. Municipal was down to look at it and that they would going to get in contact with Jeff about fixing it. Susan Plank, Secretary mentioned that this should definitely be done at their cost as the plow has not be used for a whole winter season. The Supervisors agreed.

There being no further business the Workshop Meeting was adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Susan J. Plank
Secretary/Treasurer

Chairman _____

Supervisor _____

Supervisor _____