

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

SUPERVISORS PRESENT: Chris Santay and Matt Williams

OTHERS PRESENT: Bernie Yannetti, Solicitor, Gil Picarelli, KPI Technologies, 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.

Keith & Janice Stambaugh – Twin Springs Farm Landscape Plan

There was some discussion about the drawings and what the Stambaugh's are requesting. Solicitor Yannetti informed the Board of Supervisors that he suggests that this plan gets done as it was approved. There was much discussion on what can be done and what the Ordinance requires of planting trees as a buffer.

Jeff Richards – Driveway – Chambersburg Road / Fairview Fruit Road – SWM

There was much discussion on this and the SWM Plans for Luke Parr. Both have contracted with Sharrah Design to complete their Stormwater Plan. Susan Plank, Secretary/Treasurer informed the Board that she had talked to Bob Sharrah about the Plans and he was hoping to have the Parr Plan to the Township by this evening's meeting and that he had not started on the plans for Mr. Richards. Drawings for Parr were not received. The Board of Supervisors instructed Susan Plank, Secretary to send a letter to both Mr. Luke Parr and Mr. Jeff Richards to let them know that the Township has not received their SWM drawings and that the Board plans to take action at the December meeting with or without SWM drawings.

Review of property maintenance for Newman and Church Roads

There was discussion about cleaning these properties up by the Township and putting a lien on the properties for the cost to do so. Solicitor Yannetti is going to look at the Ordinance to see if the Township is able to do this and will get back to the Board. There was discussion if you do one (1) property you must do everyone that is in violation of the Ordinance. There are many factors to consider before implementing this procedure. Supervisor Santay asked if there was a way to issue a recurring citation without the Code Enforcement Officer going to the site and issuing a citation each day. Solicitor Yannetti informed the Board that he would have to look at the Ordinance and he will get back to the Board on this. There will be more discussion on the way to handle these property maintenance issues.

2019 Budget Review

Supervisor Santay informed everyone that the 2019 Budget has not changed except a decision has to be made about wages for the employees. The Budget is good as it stands at the present moment until a decision is made about wages.

Review of Nuisance/Noise Ordinance

Supervisor Santay suggested to suspend any discussion about the Nuisance/Noise Ordinance until all three (3) Supervisors are present.

Guest comments:

Resident Tanya White asked whether the Nuisance/Noise Ordinance are from Townships that are in an Rural Area. Supervisor Santay informed her that they were. Ms. White has many questions about what the Board of Supervisors were considering to put into the Ordinance. Supervisor Santay informed Ms. White that this is just at the beginning stages and no decisions have been made. Ms. White also asked that the Board of Supervisors to consider amending the AG Ordinance so that will be more AG Tourism friendly. Ms. White suggested to add restaurants being permitted in AG Zoning. Supervisor Santay informed Ms. White that this is something that the Board of Supervisors have not look at and that a lot of the area is still straight Agricutural and that he not sure that this is something that he would want to change at the present time.

Resident Mary Lower asked if the Noise Ordinance would affect live entertainment at Wineries and Breweries. Supervisor Santay informed Ms. Lower that she had no worries and that most of the Wineries/Breweries do not have residents near them to complain.

Resident Jane Shord informed the Board of Supervisors that she is the Owner of Beech Springs Farms and there have been many complaints about her Wedding Venue. Supervisor Santay informed Ms. Shord that the Ordinance that the Supervisors are looking may help her in the nuisance that is happening when she has an event.

Supervisor Santay informed everyone that this Nuisance/Noise Ordinance is just at the beginning stages and that he does not see this be completed until sometime in the summer of next year. There is still a lot to consider and the Supervisors have a lot of work to do yet.

Supervisor Santay informed Mr. and Mrs. Stambaugh that the Township and Solicitor are not comfortable in giving a variance on the Twin Springs Farm issue. The plan is approved and the Board of Supervisors are going to hold the standard per the Zoning Ordinance. There was much discussion about what could be done if Twin Springs and the Stambaughs agree to. If Twin Springs Farms bring a revision to change the kind of trees that are to be planted along the buffer the Township will entertain the changes.

The Workshop was adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

Susan J. Plank
Secretary/Treasurer

Chairman _____

Supervisor_____

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