

**Franklin Township, Adams County
Board of Supervisors Workshop Meeting
September 6, 2018**

SUPERVISORS PRESENT: Chris Santay, JR Crushong, and Matt Williams

OTHERS PRESENT: Gary Hartman, Solicitor, (filling in for Bernie Yannetti), Gil Picarelli, KPI Technologies, Curtis MacBeth, Road Foreman, 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.

Jeff Richards – Chambersburg Road / Fairview Fruit Road

Supervisor Santay asked if there was a driveway permit submitted and Roadmaster Curt MacBeth informed everyone that there was. Supervisor Santay asked Roadmaster MacBeth to share his findings. Roadmaster MacBeth informed everyone that the driveway is already installed and the width and site distance is good. The only item that the Roadmaster found is that he has a 10" driveway tile and the Ordinance calls for a minimum size of a 15" tile unless an exception is granted. There was discussion on whether everyone thought the 10" driveway tile could handle the water flow and maybe to leave it for a year and give a pre-condition approval with the Township having the right to re-visit during the next year and if there are any water problems require a 15" tile be installed. Supervisor Santay asked if it was too much impervious surface in the area that has been stoned. Rusty Ryan from the County has been out to look at the area. There was much discussion on who should look at the impervious surface. Supervisors instructed Susan Plank, Secretary/Treasurer to call Wilbur and have him measure the impervious surface and to give his recommendations as to whether stormwater plan needs to be implemented. Also, to get Rusty Ryan's thoughts on the issue.

MOTION by Supervisors Crushong, seconded by Supervisor Williams to table any decision on this matter until the Township hears back from Wilbur Slothour of Land and Sea concerning the impervious surface. Motion carried, 3-0.

Retirement Plan – Update – Susan Plank, Secretary/Treasurer informed the Board that the employees of the Township met with PMRS and they can offer two (2) plans, a traditional Defined Benefit Plan and a Cash Balance Plan, however; the Township would take the risk if the stock market should fall on both plans. The cost to set up such plans would be costly to the Township and its residents. The employees would be happy with the T. Rowe Price that was presented to the Township by Sterling Financial (Mr. Dave Neterer). The T. Rowe Price offers the employees more funds to choose from to invest their funds in. Curt MacBeth, Roadmaster did inform the Board that Mr. Vaughn of PMRS informed the employees that 12 – 16% would be a reasonable percentage to save for retirement. The current rate that the Township offers is 8% of each employee's wage and the State covers most of it, if not all of this cost.

MOTION by Supervisors Williams, seconded by Supervisor Crushong to have Sterling Financial as the representative for the Township Retirement plan and to allow Sterling Financial to move funds from American Funds to T. Rowe Price. Motion carried, 3-0.

CSX – Railroad Lane

Susan Plank, Secretary/Treasurer informed the Board that there has been cold patch applied again to the area and that she is in contact with Senator Alloway's office. Susan will call Senator Alloway's office again to see if there is any progress on this.

Request to allow residents to call in for a meeting with concerns and questions

There was discussion about how to handle a resident's request to allow him/her to call in during a meeting with concerns and/or questions. Supervisor Santay informed everyone that it has been recommended to the Board by the Township Solicitor and PSATS to not allow such action. It has been recommended that residents who cannot attend a meeting to put in writing via email their concerns and/or questions and the Board can address these issues at the meeting and can reply to the issues via email.

MOTION by Supervisor Crushong, seconded by Supervisor Williams to deny the request to allow residents or anyone to call in during a BOS Meeting with concerns and/or questions. It has been noted that residents are more than welcome to put their concerns and/or questions in writing via email and the questions and/or concerns will be addressed and a reply given via email. Motion carried, 3-0.

Hickory Bridge Compaction Request from Hamiltonban

Supervisor Santay informed everyone that this was taken care of in the field between the road crews. Supervisor Santay informed Gil Picarelli, KPI that the Board did take his comments under consideration but at this time feel there is no need for a compaction test. Curt MacBeth, Roadmaster replied that Franklin Township had two (2) backhoes on site, one backfilling as the other backhoe was compacting. Curt mentioned that Hamiltonban's Road Crew (Ray and Jim) did not realize that Franklin Township had a plate tamper for their backhoe and that as Franklin Township was backfilling they were also tamping at the same time. As far as everyone is concern this matter was taken care of.

Property Maintenance – Poplar Springs Road Residents

Susan Plank, Secretary/Treasurer informed everyone that there are two (2) residents on Poplar Springs Road that have property maintenance issues. One (1) is at 775 Poplar Springs Road, Mr. Merle Cassatt which has lots of junk around the trailer and has been a problem area for some time. The other is 257 Poplar Springs Road – a neighbor has offered to help cut bushes and trees back but the resident has refused help. Susan Plank, Secretary/Treasurer informed the Board that she thought there have been citations issued to Mr. Cassett several times. There have been no citations issued to the resident at 257 Poplar Springs Road (Mr. Thomas Miller). Supervisor Santay informed everyone that it is the desire of the Board to issue a detail citation to both residents at this time.

Brian Redding complaint- Parr Stormwater – Manure Odor

Supervisor Santay informed everyone that Land and Sea, Wilbur Slouthour and Tim McCauslin was up to the property three (3) or (4) times and did not find anything as far as odor was concerned. Susan Plank, Secretary/Treasurer informed the Board that she has contacted Wilbur Slothour of Land and Sea and asked for him to send a documented list of times when he and Tim visited the site in reference to the complaint. Land and Sea is to have this information to the

Township the first part of the week. Supervisor Santay informed everyone that there is no founded complaint for the manure odor.

The other complaint was Stormwater issues. The Township did in fact inform KPI of the issue and asked them to look into the matter. The Township is in receipt of KPI's findings and a letter that has been sent to Lucas and Jamie Parr with a list of things that need to be corrected and a timeline of September 12th to have them completed. Luke Parr was present and offered the following:

1. He has received the letter and talked to Gil Picarelli, KPI the first part of the week.
2. He has a meeting with Bob Sharrah of Sharrah Design Group on Friday, September 7, 2018 to make any revisions needed to become compliant with the letter.
3. He informed the Board that he will do whatever needs to be done as requested by the Township.

Supervisor Santay asked Mr. Parr if he knows that he must be in compliant by September 12, 2018 and does he see an issue with this. Mr. Parr responded that he does not see an issue as he is meeting with Bob Sharrah tomorrow morning so that he can get things done. Mr. Parr is handling the improvements himself. Mr. Gil Picarelli informed the Board that the fact that Mr. Parr is here and has a plan shows that there is an effort being made to comply with the items in the letter. Supervisor Crushong asked Gil if he would follow up on the 12th and Gil replied with yes and told Mr. Parr that he would be there on the 12th for a follow-up to see how things are proceeding and if there is an issue with weather then they would go from there. When everything is done KPI will need to do a final after everything is completed. Supervisors Crushong asked if Mr. Redding received a copy of KPI's finding and Susan Plank, Secretary/Treasurer informed the Board that she had emailed a copy to him but has not gotten a response back from Mr. Redding yet.

Disposition of the Broom – Supervisor Santay informed everyone that the broom on back of the tractor that is going to be replaced by a new one, which the Township was expecting to be here by now, but has been delayed is of no use to the Township. During the e-cycling event in June the Township was approached by Menallen Township asking what we were going to do with the broom? Menallen Township has been tremendous neighbors to the Township, always willing to help in anyway they can. Roadmaster, Curtis MacBeth informed everyone that the Township just put new brushes on its last year and that there is nothing wrong with it. Supervisor Santay informed Curt or Susan to call Menallen and let them know that the Township is willing to trade the hours owed and sell the broom to Menallen for \$1.

A reminder that the Electronic Recycling event is this Saturday, September 8, 2018 at Menallen Township at 170 Memory Lane from 8:00 am to 10:00 am.

HB 1469 – Township to enforce UCC regulations with at least two (2) third-party agencies.

Susan Plank, Secretary commented that this is just for informational purposes only and that HB 1469 may move this fall and if adopted, would require a Municipality program that currently contracts with one third-party agency to enforce and administer the UCC to contract with at least two (2) third-parties. This will be costly to the Township if it passes. It is an unfunded mandate that will cost the Township more money.

2019 Budget Review

Susan Plank, Secretary/Treasurer went over the budget with the Supervisors and pointed out a few items such as wages and the cost of living index at the present time, went over the State Fund completing the road project using hot mix instead of FB3, General Fund – concrete equipment

building, went over a few things like line painting, new power washer and transit, and seal coating. Supervisor Santay informed everyone that the Budget was here for review.

Roadmaster, Curtis MacBeth informed everyone that there is a warehouse in Hanover that Morton Salt has been storing salt for a project that is not going to be used. Morton Salt said that they are not paying rent for this warehouse anymore and wants to get rid of the salt. The salt is in bags and the Township has gotten 36 ton this week. The Township is getting the salt for nothing. The Supervisors informed Curt to keep hauling if he can get it for free.

REVIEW OF NUISANCE/NOISE ORDINANCE

Susan Plank, Secretary/Treasurer informed the Board that she talked to Greene Township and they enforce their Ordinance by the following way:

1. First complaint from a resident, the Township send outs a Registered Letter – Return Receipt explaining the Ordinance and asking that the Ordinance be followed. (this usually works)
2. If the violation continues then it is up to the person who filed the complaint to take it to the Magistrate for further action along with the letter that the Township had sent out.

Supervisor Santay would like to have a workshop to discuss the Noise Ordinance in detail. The Supervisors would like to talk about what they would want in the Ordinance and then have the Solicitor involved after the Board gets an idea of what they want. Susan Plank, Secretary/Treasurer will send copies of Ordinances to the Supervisors for review and to highlight what they think the Township should adopt. Susan is to set up a meeting for the Supervisors to discuss.

Roadmaster, Curtis MacBeth informed the Board that he would like to use a rubberized coating to be put on the bridge before it is blacktopped which cost approximately \$800. PennDot uses this on their bridges. It helps to protect the concrete from salt during the winter months. The road crew would put this down with a roller. Board approved the purchase of the rubberized coating which is a cheap insurance policy for the new bridge.

GUESTS:

Resident Wilhelmina Heckman asked when the bridge was expected to be open. Roadmaster, Curtis MacBeth informed everyone that the bridge will be open October 1, 2018 depending on weather. Blacktop is to be done on September 18, 2018 and the guardrail is to be installed the week of September 24, 2018. The bridge project is on time and on budget.

Resident Randy Williams questioned the Board about the condition of the parcel at 5 Newman Road and wanted to know if there is anything being done to get this area cleaned up. Supervisor Santay informed everyone that there have been several citations issued to that property. Supervisor Santay explained that the Supervisors met with the Magistrate about the fines and a lot of the issues lie with the Township Code Enforcement Officer not filling out the citations properly. The Township has informed the Code Enforcement Officer that the citations need to have a lot more detail and the number of citations needs to be visible on the citations – 1st, 2nd, 3rd, etc. With this being done now the fines can be and will be more so that the residents aren't just paying a small fine and not doing anything. Resident Randy Williams also asked if the barn had been condemned in the past. The Supervisors did not know that answer to this. Supervisor Williams thought this was the case but he was not positive. The Board would like Susan to look

into this. Resident Randy Williams questioned the fact that the parcel has both property maintenance issues and vehicle issues. The Board will look into issuing citations for both.

Resident Randy Williams also asked the Board about sub-dividing his parcel. Supervisor Santay responded by starting with a Civil Engineer. Susan Plank, Secretary/Treasurer commented that he could bring a sketch drawing to the Planning Commission, which meets September 19, 2018 at 7:00 pm to let them give Mr. Williams their opinion before going to the expense of a Civil Engineer.

Resident Randy Williams also asked about clarification about what is considered livestock in a residential area; the Board was talking about horses earlier and are horses considered livestock? Supervisor Santay replied "by our definition yes". Resident Randy Williams asked so if a horse is in a residential area then you file a complaint and someone would address it. Supervisor Santay replied yes. Resident Randy Williams gave a complaint for 5 Newman Road to Susan Plank, Secretary/Treasurer. Mr. Williams asked if that would go to Wilbur and Supervisor Santay replied yes.

The Workshop was adjourned at 7:03 p.m.

Susan J. Plank
Secretary/Treasurer

Chairman _____

Supervisor _____

Supervisor _____