

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

August 7, 2025

SUPERVISORS PRESENT: Supervisors Crushong, Supervisor Williams, and Supervisor Santay.

OTHERS PRESENT: Solicitor Yannetti, Curtis MacBeth, Roadmaster, and Susan Plank, Secretary/Treasurer.

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman, Matt Williams informed everyone that the Board of Supervisors was amending the agenda to add Kim Spittler, BCO under New Business.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION by Supervisor Crushong, seconded by Supervisor Santay to approve the July 3, 2025 Board of Supervisors Regular Meeting Minutes. Motion carried, 3-0.

MOTION by Supervisor Santay, seconded by Supervisor Crushong to approve the July 17, 2025 Board of Supervisors Workshop Meeting Minutes. Motion carried, 3-0.

APPROVAL OF BILL LIST #8

MOTION by Supervisor Crushong, seconded by Supervisor Santay to approve Bill List #8 – General Account - Check Nos. 39637 – 39677 in the amount of 299,636.98, State Fund – Check Nos. 6659 – 6660 in the amount of \$208,063.91, and Fire Tax Fund – Check No. 69 in the amount of \$6,418.96 with a Grand Total of \$514,119.85. Motion carried, 3-0.

PRELIMINARY/FINAL PLAN

Zook – 265 Seven Stars Road – Release Line of Credit

MOTION by Supervisor Santay, seconded by Supervisor Crushong to release \$88,556.60 of the Line of Credit for Zook – 265 Seven Stars Road to leave a balance of \$54,406.00. Reduction was recommended by Brandon Guiher, KPI Technologies. Motion carried, 3-0.

STORMWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN

None Reported

REPORTS

Reports will be posted on line for review

OLD BUSINESS

2380 Mummasburg Road – Keith Bowling – Update.

Supervisor Williams asked Mr. Bowling if he had any updates and Mr. Bowling replied that he was waiting to hear from the Board of Supervisors. Supervisor Williams asked Solicitor Yannetti what he had learned. Solicitor Yannetti replied that he has talked to the lawyer representing neighbor and he was going to reach out one (1) more time to Mr. Bowling to see if they could come to a resolve and if not, he indicated that he would have to resort to the courts to make a determination. Mr. Bowling commented that he didn't hear all of what Solicitor Yannetti said and Solicitor Yannetti repeated himself. Mr. Bowling asked what does this mean and Solicitor Yannetti replied that if they cannot resolve this that they would go to court and sue (get a decision from the courts for what they call equitable relief). Mr. Bowling has been informed that the Township hands are tied and this is between Mr. Bowling and his neighbor.

NEW BUSINESS

Appointment of Kim Spittler to Building Code Official

MOTION by Supervisor Crushong, seconded by Supervisor Santay to appoint Kim Spittler to Building Code Official. Motion carried, 3-0.

Fee Schedule

Susan Plank, Secretary/Treasurer informed the Board that she had sent the updated Fee Schedule to Safebuilt and they replied that the increases looked good.

Motion by Supervisor Crushong, seconded by Supervisor Santay to approve the 2026 Fee Schedule for the upcoming new year. Motion carried, 3-0.

Resolution No. 2025-03 – Administration of Sewage Facilities Act

Susan Plank, Secretary/Treasurer informed the Board of Supervisors that these are the fees that KPI Technology charges for installation of sewers, holding tanks, inspection of such.

MOTION by Supervisor Santay, seconded by Supervisor Crushong to approve Resolution No. 2025-03 – Administration of Sewage Facilities Act. Motion carried, 3-0

Solar Ordinance Changes/Additions

Supervisor Williams asked if there was any feedback concerning the Ordinance. Susan Plank, Secretary/Treasurer informed everyone that it has been advertised, is on the Website, and an email blast has been sent but no replies except Mrs. Glass called to ask where on the Website she could access the Ordinance for review.

Mrs. Glass mentioned some changes and questions concerning the Solar Ordinance which Susan Plank, Secretary/Treasurer was instructed to send to Dominica Picarelli, KPI Technology to review and address.

There was more conversation amongst the residents that were present about the Solar Facilities Ordinance. There was a lot of conversation of whether to allow in Industrial zoning, Agricultural zoning, or both. The following are the comments on their opinions:

Mr. and Mrs. Glass – Industrial Zoning only with conditional use. (If does go into the Agricultural District then there needs to be a limited percentage of land and set-backs need to be increase.)

Mr. DeWaters – Industrial Zoning Only.

Mrs. DeWaters is undecided.

Mr. Lord – Agricultural zoning with acreage percentage limits.

Mr. Flake – Industrial Zoning Only.

There has been minimal feedback and the Board of Supervisors would like to get this in place as soon as possible.

Resident Doug Glass commented suggested that the Board of Supervisors think ahead for next year to not have a meeting the night before a holiday. They had family over for the 4th of July and there was no way they were going to make the meeting. The Board responded that all meetings are set and advertised at the beginning of the New Year. The Board does adjust the meeting dates if they fall on an actual holiday.

2026 Preliminary Budget

Susan Plank, Secretary/Treasurer informed the Board that this is just the start of the budget process. She informed the Board that there are notes in the right-hand column for their reference. In the insurance (Health, Liability, and Worker's Compensation) column she commented that she used 15% increase which is just a number until she gets some feedback from the carriers. This copy is just for the Board's review and any comments that they may have.

GUESTS

Miranda Wisor, Adams County Library Services came to introduce herself and make everyone aware what the library offers to the Township residents. Mrs. Wisor gave a presentation of how many books are borrowed from the library and what other services that Library offers.

Resident Darrin Flake asked about speed limit signs on Flohrs Church Road between Sunset and Tillietown Road. Mr. Flake also commented that he saw a buggy on Tillietown Road and wanted the Township to be aware that they are traveling Tillietown Road.

Resident Dale Graves questioned the screen around solar facilities. Why put the screening in, instead leave it as farming? The crops are not going to screen the solar panels. The leading complaint is that people do not want to see the panels. The screenings are within the Solar Facility.

ADJOURN

MOTION by Supervisor Santay, seconded by Supervisor Crushong to adjourn at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan J. Plank
Secretary/Treasurer

Chairman _____

Vice-Chairman _____

Supervisor _____