

SUPERVISORS MEETING DECEMBER 09, 2013

The regular meeting of the Franklin Township Board of Supervisors was on Monday, December 9, 2013 at 6:00 P.M. at the Franklin Township Building, 897 State Route 288, Fombell, PA. Supervisors in attendance were Eric Clyde, James Norton, and Curtis Steffler. Township Solicitor, Gregory Douglass and township Engineer, Bill Hummel were also in attendance.

Chairman, James Norton called the meeting to order. Mr. Norton voiced the invocation, followed by the salute to the flag.

VISITORS: Joe Zallo

Topics Discussed:

White Pine Drive was discussed. Mr. Zallo will be contacting his engineer to draw up plans modifying the entrance of White Pine Drive making it more compatible to the township specifications.

Mr. Steffler made a motion to approve the November 11th meeting minutes. Mr. Clyde seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Mr. Norton yes
Mr. Steffler yes
Mr. Clyde yes

Mr. Norton made a motion to approve the November 21st meeting minutes. Mr. Steffler seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Mr. Norton yes
Mr. Steffler yes
Mr. Clyde no(absent from meeting)

CORRESPONDENCE:

An oil/gas well notification was reviewed for Penn Energy for Marion Township.

ENGINEERS REPORT: Mr. Hummel reviewed the stormwater plans for Zallo Plan #3 and submitted to the Supervisors his approval letter.

SOLICITORS REPORT: Mr. Douglass nothing to report. He would like an executive session at the end of the meeting.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT: President Sam Ferrante reported that the Fire Department had 10 calls for the month.

POLICE REPORT: The Police Report was reviewed. They had 125 calls for the month.

Mr. Clyde read the Animal Control Officer Report.
Mr. Norton read the Road Department Report.

No Zoning Report was available. The Secretary stated there was only one Permit for the month. Brett Haswell/MH/Ferndale.

BUSINESS

Mr. Steffler moved to approve the 2014 budget. Mr. Clyde seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Mr. Norton yes
Mr. Clyde yes
Mr. Steffler yes

Mr. Steffler moved to apply the unbudgeted surplus in the revenue accounts for 2013 to the over expended items in the expense accounts. Mr. Clyde seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Mr. Norton yes
Mr. Clyde yes
Mr. Steffler yes

Mr. Steffler made a motion to authorize the Secretary & Chairman of the Board to contact ESB regarding placing a portion of the carryover from 2013 in the General Fund into CD's. Mr. Clyde seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Mr. Norton yes
Mr. Clyde yes
Mr. Steffler yes

Mr. Norton made a motion to set the reorganizational meeting for Monday, January 6th at 6:00 P.M. followed by the January Monthly meeting at 630 P.M. Mr. Clyde seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Mr. Norton yes
Mr. Clyde yes
Mr. Steffler yes

Mr. Norton read the resignation letter from Chief Joseph O'Sche. Mr. Norton made a motion to accept the resignation of Chief O'Sche with thanks for the good job he has done for the township making it better than he found it. Mr. Steffler seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Mr. Norton yes
Mr. Steffler yes
Mr. Clyde no

Mr. Steffler made a motion to appoint police lieutenant Brian Speer to Franklin Township Chief of Police at his contracted rate. Mr. Clyde seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Mr. Norton yes
Mr. Clyde yes
Mr. Steffler yes

Mr. Norton made a motion to renew Penn Prime Workers Compensation & Public Law.

Mr. Steffler seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Mr. Norton yes
 Mr. Clyde yes
 Mr. Steffler yes

The Supervisors went into an executive session.

The Supervisors resumed the meeting

Mr. Steffler made a motion to authorize signing an oil & gas lease with Abart Land Developers for the Ball Cemetery and the Township property located at 897 State Route 288. Mr. Clyde seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Mr. Norton yes
 Mr. Steffler yes
 Mr. Clyde yes

Mr. Clyde moved to pay the bills. Mr. Steffler seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Mr. Norton yes
 Mr. Steffler yes
 Mr. Clyde yes

Mr. Clyde moved to adjourn. Mr. Steffler seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Mr. Norton yes
 Mr. Steffler yes
 Mr. Clyde yes

Shannon Schlosser, Secretary