

## SUPERVISORS MEETING JUNE 13, 2011

The regular meeting of the Franklin Township Board of Supervisors was held on Monday, June 13, 2011 at 6:00 P.M. at the Franklin Township Building, 897 State Route 288, Fombell, PA. Supervisors in attendance were James Norton Sr., Eric Clyde, and Curtis Steffler. Township Solicitor, Gregory Douglass was absent. Township Engineer, William Hummel, was 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, Rosemary Prestopine, Bill & Cheri Davis, Ed Thaner, Rick Heusey, Kevin Dwyer, and Ken Herrmann.

### Topics Discussed:

Mr. Zallo and Mr. Thaner discussed White Pine Drive. PennDot did not lower the speed limit on Old Furnace Road after a recent study. They also inquired about whether PennDot approved a multi-way stop sign. Mr. Norton read a letter from PennDot which explained, based on crash history and speed there is no warrant to install a multi-way stop sign at White Pine Drive and Old Furnace Road. PennDot suggested an aggressive enforcement program to reduce speeding and also vegetation control beyond PennDot's right-of-way. Mr. Heusey complained about speeding along Old Furnace Road. Chief O'Sche will place lines on the road and have the police patrol the area. Mr. Thaner and Mr. Zallo asked the Supervisors to consider signing the permit application for no left turn out of White Pine Drive. The Supervisors will consult the Solicitor before any action is taken.

Rosemary Prestopine spoke about the condition of Mecklam Lane. She stated her mailbox has been hit several times and when it rains her driveway takes in the runoff water from the road. Mr. Norton and the Roadmaster will inspect the road.

Ken Herrmann updated the Supervisors on the Earned Income Tax Committee. He discussed that Central Tax was appointed in February. The contract will be good for three years. The committee is also discussing enacting an ordinance to collect all out of state employee tax.

Mr. Dwyer stated there is a dumpster and portable toilet at the new Getgo facility. He stated the dumpster will need to be fenced in if it is permanent fixture. The Supervisors will give Getgo thirty days before Mr. Parsons, the Zoning Officer, will take any action.

The minutes of the May 9th meeting were presented for approval. Mr. Clyde moved that the minutes be approved as presented. Mr. Norton seconded the motion.

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

#### CORRESPONDENCE:

Mr. Norton read an invitation from the Beaver County Regional Council of Governments regarding a Marcellus Shale seminar at the Community College.

ENGINEERS REPORT: Mr. Hummel reported that Widmer Engineering contacted him to meet regarding the Zelenople Airport. He explained their first step is to attend the Planning Commission meeting. Mr. Steffler stated the Zelenople Airport Authority will be contacting the township to set up a meeting with us and Lancaster Township at the end of the month. He would like Mr. Hummel to attend as well as the Solicitor.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT: Mr. Norton reported that the Fire Department burnt the Clean-Up day burnable trash. Mr. Steffler stated that the Roadcrew, Secretary, and several other individuals all volunteered their time on Clean-up Day.

SOLICITORS REPORT: Mr. Douglass was absent. Mr. Douglass did provide a letter for the Supervisors to review in response to Widmer Engineering's letter on land use of the Zelenople Airport. The document stated they were required to obtain Township Approval of their Site Plan under Pennsylvania Municipalities Code prior to obtaining a Building Permit. They should also submit full scale drawings and a filing fee to the township as soon as possible.

POLICE REPORT: Chief O'Sche presented the Supervisors with the monthly police report.

Mr. Clyde read the Animal Control Officer Report.

Mr. Norton read the Road Department Report.

#### BUSINESS:

Mr. Steffler moved to award the following Contracts for Road Materials through the Council of Governments:

A.R. Oliastro-Crushed Gravel  
Youngblood Paving-Liquid Asphalts  
Hei-way-Bituminous Patch  
McClymonds Supply-Limestone

Mr. Clyde seconded the motion.

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

Mr. Norton made a motion to approve and adopt Resolution 4-2011 Emergency Operations Plan. This Emergency Operation Plan supersedes all previous plans. Mr. Clyde seconded the motion.

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

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

A premium and savings program for Penn Prime Loss Control Standards is being facilitated.

The Beaver Falls Social Security Office will close June 17, 2011. The New Castle or Ambridge office will service area residents.

Two complaints were addressed. Morningstar Drive residents would like a child at play sign placed to warn traffic. The Supervisors agreed to place them. A resident on Stiefel Avenue would like another stop sign placed to slow traffic. The Supervisors agreed this was not necessary and stop signs should not be installed to control speed.

The HMGP grant was discussed. Mr. Clyde made a motion for Shannon Schlosser to be assigned the agent of the Franklin Township Acquisition Project. Mr. Steffler seconded the motion.

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

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

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

The Supervisors went into executive session.

The Supervisors resumed the meeting.

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

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

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Shannon Schlosser  
Secretary