

MEETING MINUTES

May 10, 2022

5:30 pm

CALL TO ORDER - Present were Mr. Sabot, Mr. Quinn, Mr. Polan, Solicitor Michael Cruny, Secretary/Treasurer Jackie Kotchman and Erin Dinch, Director of Planning & Development. The meeting was available via teleconference with public attendance. The public could email questions using an email address available on the Township website.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

OPENING PRAYER – was given by Pastor Gary Saler, Unite Church

ADD ITEMS TO THE AGENDA

PUBLIC COMMENT AGENDA ITEMS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

*****MOTION to approve the minutes of the April 12, 2022 Supervisor's meeting** was made by Mr. Polan; seconded by Mr. Quinn. Unanimously carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT

****MOTION to file the Treasurer's Report for future audit** was made by Mr. Polan; seconded by Mr. Quinn. Unanimously carried.

BILL APPROVAL AND CHECK SIGNING

****MOTION to approve total bills and check signing** was made by Mr. Polan; seconded by Mr. Quinn. Unanimously carried.

BUILDING PERMITS

Erin Dinch reported that there were four (4) building permits in the amount of \$763.00.

OLD BUSINESS

1. *****MOTION to adopt Ordinance No. 2-2022 amending the Township Code of Ordinances, specifically Chapter 370-20 Quality of Life Violations and Article VI; Emergency Snow Removal, Section 425-58 Providing Penalties for the Violations thereof** was made by Mr. Polan; seconded by Mr. Quinn. Unanimously carried.

2. *****MOTION to award the contract for On-Call Construction Equipment Rental to D.L. and D.K. Johnson Equipment. This is a one-year contract with the option for two, one-year extensions** was made by Mr. Polan; seconded by Mr. Quinn. Unanimously carried.
3. Announcement of the Municipal Building Groundbreaking on Thursday, May 12th, 2022 at 11:00 am. and a park event to release the new Master Site Development Plan on June 2 from 4:00-7:00 pm. Mr. Sabot also reported that bids would be accepted through May 20th and would be considered for approval at the June 14, 2022 Township meeting.

RESOLUTIONS

1. *****MOTION to adopt Resolution No. 9 of 2022 approving the Sewage Module for the New Land Development of the Trinity School District Intermediate-Middle School Additions and Alterations** was made by Mr. Polan; seconded by Mr. Quinn. Unanimously carried.
2. *****MOTION to approve Resolution No. 10 of 2022, the America 250 Resolution, a commemorative resolution to support The Pennsylvania Commission for the United States Semiquincentennial which was formed to plan the commemoration of the 250th anniversary of the founding of the United States, which will occur in 2026** was made by Mr. Polan; seconded by Mr. Quinn. Unanimously carried.

NEW BUSINESS

1. *****MOTION to approve two Sales Agreements and a Lease between the Pennsylvania American Water Company and North Franklin Township subject to final wording changes and Solicitor's approval** was made by Mr. Sabot; seconded by Mr. Polan. Unanimously carried.
2. *****MOTION to approve the Nuisance Abatement Agreement and the Certification and Release for Code Enforcement Demolition for the Long John Silver's building at Washington Crown Center to be demolished with CDBG funds** was made by Mr. Polan; seconded by Mr. Quinn. Unanimously carried.
3. *****MOTION to commit \$2,500 for a grant match to the multi-municipal DCED application for the Chartiers Creek Greenway Trail** was made by Mr. Polan; seconded by Mr. Quinn. Unanimously carried.
4. *****MOTION to authorize Sweat Law Offices to develop and advertise an amendment to the Dog Ordinance that would address other types of pets. (Township of North Franklin, PA Code, Chapter 112: Animals, Article I: Dogs at Large)** was made by Mr. Polan; seconded by Mr. Quinn. Unanimously carried.

5. *****MOTION to approve the Cholock, Plant, & Southerly Subdivision, a minor subdivision shifting property lines to address the issue of a shed that was built over the lot line** was made by Mr. Polan; seconded by Mr. Quinn. Unanimously carried.

K2 ENGINEER'S REPORT

CONSTRUCTION MANAGER'S REPORT

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

Fire Chief Dave Bane reported that for April 2022 the Fire Department had 28 calls including one (1) fire other, one (1) carbon monoxide, thirteen (13) medical assists, three (3) motor vehicle accidents, two (2) downed power lines, one (1) CO detector, two (2) unintentional smoke detectors, five (5) unintentional alarm systems He stated that year-to-date they have had 118 calls. They averaged 4 persons per call and the average response time was 9 minutes.

CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER'S REPORT

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Mr. Cruny reported they were following up on the Long John Silver's building and 640 McElree Road just needed some papers signed to move forward with the demolitions. Mr. Cruny also advised about the upcoming Mediation in regards to the West Chestnut Street matter coming up in June.

SUPERVISOR SABOT'S REPORT - None

SUPERVISOR QUINN'S REPORT – None

SUPERVISOR POLAN'S REPORT – None

PUBLIC COMMENT NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Jim Smith of 1730 Ridgewood Drive expressed his concerns about recent crime on Ridgewood and the fact that we have no police force. He requested that speed bumps be put in on Ridgewood between the two stop signs to help slow down traffic. He also requested the Township look into putting a streetlight between the two stop signs to help with crime in the area. Mr. Sabot asked him to get the Pole # and call it into the Township. He also said that speed bumps had to go through PennDOT for approval and it's best to do when roads are repaved.

Martha Ward of Ridgewood Drive reported that a property at 63 Cleveland Road continues to add more debris and junk to the property. Mr. Cruny said the Township could go on the property, clean it up and then lien it. He said the Township would have to hire someone to do it. Mr. Cruny said he would check the orders in place then talk to Jarrod and get an estimate.

Silvio Passalacqua of Sylvan Drive asked why Martha Ward was looked over for a personal invitation to the Groundbreaking Ceremony for the new building. Erin Dinch advised that in regards to former office holders, only Silvio and Ron Junko were invited because they were on the board when the Township voted to build the building. Mr. Polan added that there was no slight intended but they just invited people involved with the project and it wasn't personal.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Sabot recessed the meeting at 6:05 pm to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel issues.

Respectfully submitted,


Robert Sabot, Chairman


Jacqueline M. Kotchman, Secretary/Treasurer