

MEETING MINUTES

April 11, 2023

5:30 pm

CALL TO ORDER - Present were Mr. Sabot, Mr. Quinn, Mr. Polan, Solicitor Michael Cruny, Secretary/Treasurer Jackie Kotchman and Director of Planning and Development, Erin Dinch. The meeting was available via teleconference with public attendance.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

OPENING PRAYER – was given by Pastor Bill Lawler, Avery United Methodist Church

ADD ITEMS TO THE AGENDA

PUBLIC COMMENT AGENDA ITEMS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

*****MOTION to approve the minutes of the March 14, 2023 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.

GUESTS

BUILDING PERMITS

Erin Dinch reported that there were five (5) building permits in the amount of \$4,945.00

OLD BUSINESS

ORDINANCES

*****MOTION to set a hearing date of May 9th, 2023 at 5:30 pm for an amendment to the Township Ordinances that will reduce the number of copies of required attachments submitted with Township applications to two (2) hard copies and one (1) digital copy** was made by Mr. Polan; seconded by Mr. Quinn. Unanimously carried.

RESOLUTIONS

*****MOTION to Motion to adopt Resolution No. 6 of 2023- Authorizing Erin Dinch, Director of Planning and Development and Jacqueline Kotchman, Secretary/Treasurer to complete and execute all documents and agreements between North Franklin Township and the Commonwealth Financing Authority for the Orphaned or Abandoned Well Plugging Program (OAWP) Grant to be used for plugging an orphaned well on property located at 345 Franklin Farms Road, Washington, PA was made by Mr. Polan; seconded by Mr. Quinn. Unanimously carried.**

*****MOTION adopt Resolution No. 7 of 2023 – Act 44 approving the procedures for compliance with the procurement of professional services pursuant to the provisions of ACT 44 of 2009 for Pension Plans was made by Mr. Polan; seconded by Mr. Quinn. Unanimously carried.**

NEW BUSINESS

1. *****MOTION to hire Asa Charnik as a Part-Time Park Maintenance and Road help at \$20.00 per hour up to 36 hours a week (not to exceed 520 hours) from May 8 – August 11, 2023 was made by Mr. Quinn; seconded by Mr. Polan. Unanimously carried.**
2. *****MOTION to hire Vince Smykal as part-time summer Office Assistant at \$13.00 per hour for 35 hours per week beginning May 8 – August 11, 2023 was made by Mr. Sabot; seconded by Mr. Quinn. Unanimously carried.**
3. *****MOTION to approve Kennywood ticket purchase for sale to Township Residents at \$30 was made by Mr. Polan; seconded by Mr. Quinn. Unanimously carried.**
4. *****MOTION to approve \$1,000.00 donation to Lincoln Heights Community Park/Playground was made by Mr. Polan; seconded by Mr. Quinn. Unanimously carried.**
5. *****MOTION to approve a Cooperative Agreement with the Washington Wild Things for their RACP Grant on condition that they execute the indemnification agreement back to the Township was made by Mr. Polan; seconded by Mr. Quinn. Unanimously carried.**
6. *****MOTION to approve a contract with The Markosky Engineering Group, Inc. to perform a complete wetland identification and delineation for the streambank restoration project in the amount of \$3,300 for the first day and another \$900.00 if a second day is needed for additional wetlands was made by Mr. Sabot; seconded by Mr. Polan. Unanimously carried.**

7. *****MOTION to approve a contract with Bob Regola and Regola Consulting, LLC for a consulting fee of \$3,500.00 per month thru June 30, 2024 for RACP Enhancement services based upon compliance with the terms as outlined in Solicitor Sweat's Memorandum to the Supervisor's dated April 11, 2023 and incorporated into a final agreement between the Township and Mr. Regola** was made by Mr. Sabot; seconded Mr. Quinn. Mr. Polan voted 'No'. Motion carried on a 2 to 1 vote.

K2 ENGINEER'S REPORT

Doug Hill reported that since the last meeting, thanks to Mr. Lanch, they got information on the sewage lateral that was bored under the road. Last week the elevation was surveyed and a drawing was prepared and was given to Harshman Group.

CONSTRUCTION MANAGER'S REPORT

Alex Cowden reported that the wall was nearly done. He said they might be able to start on footers next week. He also said the Plumber would be moving their equipment in the next couple of weeks and the electricians were there today.

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

Fire Chief Dave Bane was not present. He was attending training.

CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER'S REPORT

Jarrold D'Amico of Harshman Code Enforcement reported that citations were filed for 63 Cleveland Road and the owner did not appear at court, so he was found guilty. He said if no appeals are filed, they would file daily citations. He also reported that citations were filed on Crown Center Mall for the Bon Ton and the Sunoco Station for trash (court date for end of May). 2670 Old National Pike has been sold and the new owners are working on cleaning it up. In addition, he reported citations for USA Steak Buffet.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Mr. Sweat advised he has completed the Conditional Use decision for the Range/Vankirk Road Clark Well Site and these documents will govern Range Resources activity at the site.

SUPERVISOR SABOT'S REPORT – Mr. Sabot said the new Crown Jeep Dealership was having a "soft opening" and planning a grand opening in May.

SUPERVISOR QUINN'S REPORT – Mr. Quinn said the Township is working on a lot of projects at once and appreciated the residents' patience and support.

SUPERVISOR POLAN'S REPORT – Mr. Polan said he was working on the professional office contracts.

PUBLIC COMMENT NON-AGENDA


Ron Matteson of 100 Fulton Street commented that Rich Cleveland was a grant writer.

Lisa Quinn of Sylvan Drive asked if people were allowed to take kayaks on the pond. Mr. Sabot said that no one should be kayaking until the building is done because of the safety issues. Mr. Lanch said he would check for no trespassing signs and make sure to install new ones if needed.

ADJOURNMENT

***** MOTION to adjourn at 6:18 pm** was made by Mr. Sabot; seconded by Mr. Polan.
Unanimously carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Robert Sabot, Chairman



Jacqueline M. Kotchman, Secretary/Treasurer