

## MEETING MINUTES

February 11, 2025

5:30 pm

**CALL TO ORDER** - Present were Mr. Quinn, Mr. Johnson, Solicitor Gary Sweat, 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** by Rev. William Younger, The Church of the Covenant

### **ADD ITEMS TO THE AGENDA**

### **PUBLIC COMMENT AGENDA ITEMS**

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**\*\*\*MOTION to approve the minutes of January 6, 2025, Reorganization meeting** was made by Mr. Quinn; seconded by Mr. Johnson. Mr. Sabot abstained. Motion carried

**\*\*\*MOTION to approve the minutes of January 6, 2025, Supervisor's meeting** was made by Mr. Quinn; seconded by Mr. Johnson. Mr. Sabot abstained. Motion carried

### **TREASURERS REPORT**

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

### **BILL APPROVAL AND CHECK SIGNING**

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

### **BUILDING PERMITS**

Erin Dinch reported that there were two (2) building permits in the amount of \$13,425.00

### **ORDINANCES**

1. **\*\*\*MOTION to approve Ordinance 1 of 2025 Amending the Overall Membership/Positions on the Township Planning Commission from Seven to Five Pursuant to Section 203(D) of the Municipalities Planning Code** was made by Mr. Quinn; seconded by Mr. Johnson. Unanimously carried.

## NEW BUSINESS

1. **\*\*\*MOTION to approve Erin Dinch, Jackie Kotchman and Bob Sabot to attend the 2025 PSATS Convention in Hershey, Pa, May 4-7, 2025,** was made by Mr. Quinn; seconded by Mr. Johnson. Unanimously carried.
2. **\*\*\*MOTION to authorize Harshman CE Group, LLC to advertise for construction bids on the Waterside Park Greenway Project, DCNR Agreement No.: BRC-SC-28.6-47, LSA Project No. LS 23-15** was made by Mr. Quinn; seconded by Mr. Johnson. Unanimously carried.
3. **\*\*\*MOTION to approve the purchase in the amount of \$4,331.60 of an alarm system for the Event Pavilion from David Davis Communications through COSTARS Contract 040-E23221** was made by Mr. Quinn; seconded by Mr. Johnson. Unanimously carried.
4. **\*\*\*MOTION to approve a donation of \$1000.00 to the Walnut Ridge Community Services Association Playground Project** was made by Mr. Quinn; seconded by Mr. Johnson. Unanimously carried.
5. **\*\*\*MOTION to approve a \$1000.00 donation to Lincoln Heights Community Park/Playground** was made by Mr. Quinn; seconded by Mr. Johnson. Unanimously carried.
6. **\*\*\*MOTION to approve the Rural King Subdivision, a minor subdivision that does not require Township Planning Commission approval, contingent upon final approval by the Township Engineer and Zoning Officer** was made by Mr. Quinn; seconded by Mr. Johnson. Unanimously carried.
7. **\*\*\*MOTION to advertise an Ordinance adopting Act 94 of 2024, which amends the Second-Class Township Code, adjusting the maximum thresholds for Supervisor compensation with the new rates being effective after beginning a new term of office** was made by Mr. Quinn; seconded by Mr. Johnson. Unanimously carried.
8. **\*\*\*MOTION to donate/sponsor the Washington Wild Things Fireworks in the amount of \$10,000.00** was made by Mr. Sabot; seconded by Mr. Johnson. Unanimously carried.
9. **\*\*\*MOTION to increase annual donations to the North Franklin Volunteer Fire Company to \$52,000 payable at \$13,000.00 per quarter** was made by Mr. Sabot; seconded by Mr. Johnson. Unanimously carried.

**ROAD CREW REPORT** – Road Foreman Todd Lanch reported that the pavement plans through 2025 will include Lincoln Hill, Vankirk and Ridgewood areas. He said Gibson -Thomas Engineers were running numbers on the lining of the pipes and resealing of the inlets and paving

## **FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT**

Fire Chief Dave Bane reported that for January 2025 the Fire Department had 21 calls including one (1) cooking fire, seven (7) medical assists, three (3) motor vehicle accidents, one (1) carbon monoxide, one (1) vegetation fire, one (1) water problem, one (1) non-building structure fire, one (1) fire of other type, one (1) public service, one (1) special incident and three (3) unintentional alarms. The average response was 9 minutes and 5 seconds, and they averaged 5.4 people per call. Year to date 21 calls.

## **CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER'S REPORT**

**SOLICITOR'S REPORT** – Mr. Sweat reported that the Redevelopment Authority was on course to demolish 63 Cleveland Road. He said Mr. Loar has been making threats but there is a court order on file. He recommended Police assistance on the day of the demolition. He also reported that a municipal lien has been filed against the mall property in regard to the Rural King Subdivision.

**SUPERVISOR SABOT'S REPORT** – None

**SUPERVISOR QUINN'S REPORT** – None

**SUPERVISOR JOHNSON'S REPORT** – None

**PUBLIC COMMENT NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

## **ADJOURNMENT**

**Mr. Johnson called an Executive Session at 6:00 pm to discuss possible litigation regarding contractual agreements with no actions.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

  
Robert Sabot, Chairman

  
Jacqueline M. Kotchman, Secretary/Treasurer