

MEETING MINUTES

October 14, 2025

5:30 pm

CALL TO ORDER - Present were Mr. Sabot, Mr. Quinn, Ben Johnson, Solicitor Gary Sweat, Secretary/Treasurer Jackie Kotchman, Road Foreman Todd Lanch, and Director of Planning and Development, Erin Dinch. The meeting was available via teleconference with public attendance.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

OPENING PRAYER - There was no prayer prior to the meeting.

ADD ITEMS TO THE AGENDA

PUBLIC COMMENT AGENDA ITEMS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

*****MOTION to approve the minutes of September 9, 2025, Supervisor's Meeting** was made by Mr. Quinn; seconded by Mr. Sabot. Unanimously carried.

TREASURERS REPORT

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

BILL APPROVAL AND CHECK SIGNING

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

GUESTS

BUILDING PERMITS

Harold Ivery reported that there were two (2) building permits in the amount of \$4,439.54.

OLD BUSINESS

ORDINANCES

RESOLUTIONS

1. *****MOTION to approve Resolution No. 13 of 2025 authorizing Erin Dinch, Director of Planning and Development, to complete and act as signatory for**

paperwork required to apply for and obtain a grant from the Washington County Local Share Account in the amount of \$300,000 to assist with the construction of a restroom project in Waterside Park was made by Mr. Quinn; seconded by Mr. Johnson. Unanimously carried.

2. *****MOTION to approve Resolution No. 14 of 2025 confirming North Franklin Township's support of the Washington County Local Share Account grant application of PREP Funds for improvements to Franklin Crossroads Park, owned by North Franklin Chestnut, LLC and North Franklin Trich, LLC. was made by Mr. Quinn; seconded by Mr. Johnson. Unanimously carried.**
3. *****MOTION to approve Resolution No. 15 of 2025 confirming North Franklin Township's intention to enter into a multi-municipal agreement with South Franklin Township for the purpose of allowing the North Franklin resident at 710 Moore Road (510-001-00-00-0029-00) to be served by South Franklin Township Sanitary Sewers, and authorizing Robert Sabot to execute the multi-municipal agreement and any required DEP 537 Planning documents was tabled by Mr. Sabot; seconded by Mr. Quinn. Unanimously carried. Erin Dinch reported that South Franklin did not give us the Multi-Municipal Agreement in time.**

NEW BUSINESS

1. *****MOTION to appoint Keystone Collections Group to collect the Mercantile Taxes for North Franklin Township at 2.0% for current and 6.0% for delinquent mercantile taxes annually for a 3-year term agreement was made by Mr. Quinn; seconded by Mr. Johnson. Unanimously carried.**
2. *****MOTION to approve signing a Memorandum of Understanding with the Washington County Conservation District that will serve as a foundation for a cooperative and mutually beneficial working relationship was made by Mr. Quinn; seconded by Mr. Johnson. Unanimously carried.**

Erin Dinch reported the Conservation District recommends Townships have these agreements in writing.

3. *****MOTION to approve Change Orders 1, 2, and 3 with a total amount of \$148,892 to the 2025 Paving Program Contract with Tresco Paving Corporation was made by Mr. Sabot; seconded by Mr. Quinn. Unanimously carried.**
4. *****MOTION to authorize the Secretary/Treasurer to accept or reject Municibid bids for the sale of the 2012 Ford F-550 dump/snowplow truck was made by Mr. Quinn; seconded by Mr. Johnson. Unanimously carried.**
5. *****MOTION to donate \$5000.00 to the Citizens Library was made by Mr. Sabot; seconded by Mr. Quinn. Unanimously carried.**

6. *****MOTION to authorize the Solicitor to draft an ordinance, amending the Burn Ordinance for the Township to include extending the burning hours to 9 am -7 pm on Tuesday, Thursdays and Saturdays, defining fines and eliminating the paper permits,** was made by Mr. Sabot; seconded by Mr. Quinn. Unanimously carried.
7. *****MOTION to approve the purchase of a Welcome to North Franklin sign to replace the existing sign at the entrance to Washington Crown Center in an amount not to exceed \$3500** was made by Mr. Sabot; seconded by Mr. Quinn. Unanimously carried.
8. *****MOTION to authorize Harshman CE Group, LLC to complete the final report for the Growing Greener Grant that funded the design and permitting of the streambank restoration project, as the project work was completed by their firm** was made by Mr. Sabot, then withdrawn. Mr. Quinn then made the same motion; seconded by Mr. Johnson. Mr. Quinn voted yes. Mr. Sabot voted no. Mr. Johnson voted yes. Motion passed with a 2-1 vote.

Mr. Sabot asked Erin Dinch about the Act 537 Plan. She explained that the Township needs to refer to our Act 537 to the Planning Commission for review/approval for WEWJA to be able to finish their Act 537. Mr. Sabot asked for it to be on the November agenda.

ROAD CREW REPORT

Todd Lanch reported said the new snowplow truck should be delivered during the week of November 27th. He reported the salt bin is still full of salt from last year. He said they were patching potholes and would be picking up leaf bags soon. He said they would be talking about drainage projects for next year.

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

Fire Chief Dave Bane reported that for September 2025 the Fire Department had 31 calls including one (1) building fire, twelve (12) medical assists, two (2) motor vehicle accidents, two (2) public service, one (1) brush fire, two (2) mobile home fire, one (1) excessive heat, one (1) gas leak, one (1) electrical problem, one (1) lock out, two (2) power lines down, and five (5) unintentional alarms. The average response was 9 minutes and 52 seconds, and they averaged 4.5 people per call. 323 calls year-to-date. Chief Bane also reported that the fire company was being blamed for trick-or-treat being moved to November 1st. He said the Fire Company did not make the decision. Mr. Sabot and Mr. Quinn agreed it was the Supervisor's decision.

CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER'S REPORT

Harold Ivery reported there was a noise complaint from Forty Bar and Grill. He said they would be applying for a holding tank through the Washington County Sewage Council. He also reported that 444 Franklin Farms Road was overgrown. He said the house went to tax sale recently. He said Long John Silvers would be opening soon and will have a final inspection coming up.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT – Mr. Sweat recommended adopting a data center ordinance and standalone power plant ordinance. He said they are Land Uses and are subject to zoning Ordinance or they can do whatever they want. He said they would be Conditional Uses.

SUPERVISOR SABOT'S REPORT – None

SUPERVISOR QUINN'S REPORT – None

SUPERVISOR JOHNSON'S REPORT – None

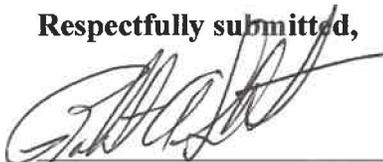
PUBLIC COMMENT NON-AGENDA ITEMS

1. Nicolette Adamsky had some questions about the Burning Permits.
2. Tony Ferriozzi of Cario Drive asked if the Township could focus on infrastructure instead of building parks and recreation facilities/programs. He said he's been dealing with flooding since 2003. He says there are many players including the Township, the City, and the DEP making it hard to accomplish anything. He said the Cario residents need the Township to address their issues with water. He asked for more help from the Township, stating the residents do not have the resources. Mr. Sabot acknowledged the storm water issues throughout the township, and said the Township is addressing them but it takes time and money.
3. Michael Passalacqua, owner of Angelo's Restaurant, stated that he thought it would be a great time to put an electronic sign at the bottom of North Franklin Drive promoting businesses up by the Wild Things. He said there are businesses that would help with the cost. He just asked if there could be additional signage to advertise the other businesses.
4. Harry Jamison of Spring Valley Drive thanked the engineers and township for looking into the issues on his street.
5. Shari Manson of Franklin Farms Road asked if the Supervisors knew anything else about the mall development project. Mr. Sweat said not all their plans have been finalized but they would follow Township ordinances and permitted uses.

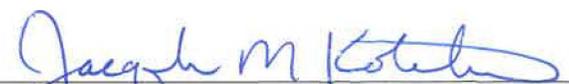
ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Sabot announced an Executive Session with no action at 6:20 pm to discuss personnel issues.

Respectfully submitted,



Robert Sabot, Chairman



Jacqueline M. Kotchman, Secretary/Treasurer