

**FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MINUTES**

**December 6, 2023
6:00 P.M.
CAMP ORCHARD HILL**

Chairman Williams called the Regular Meeting of the Franklin Township Board of Supervisors to order on Wednesday, December 6, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

Supervisors: Present: Eric Williams, Chairman
 Art Owen Jr., Vice Chairman
 Rick Pitcavage, Supervisor

 Others: Richard A. Melvin, Secretary/Treasurer
 Eleven attendees

 Absent: Vito DeLuca, Solicitor

MEETING OPEN TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY.

There were no public comments.

Motion was made by Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Owen to waive the reading of the minutes of the November 2, 2023 Regular Meeting, and to accept the minutes as posted. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Melvin gave the Treasurers report reciting the combined balances for all funds as of November 30, 2023 totaling \$975,025.32. Mr. Owen made a motion, seconded by Mr. Williams to approve the November 2023 Treasurers report, to approve payment of expenses totaling \$118,466.66 and to approve payroll and payroll taxes in the amount of \$13,756.50. The motion passed unanimously

CORRESPONDENCE AND COMMUNICATIONS

Northmoreland Fire Company submitted their November monthly report. Back Mountain Memorial Library sent a letter of thanks for the township's recent donation. Both were read by Mr. Melvin.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Motion was made by Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Owen to approve the tentative budget for 2024. The motion passed unanimously.
2. Final budget passage meeting will be held December 27, 2023.
3. Motion was made by Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Pitcavage to ratify payment request #2 from Mountain Stream Construction in the amount of \$93,980.00. The motion passed unanimously.
4. Motion was made by Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Owen to approve payment request #4 from Erosion Protective Services in the amount of \$54,135.37. The motion passed unanimously. Balance after this disbursement including retainage is \$5,231.75.
5. Motion to approve payment request #3 from Mountain Stream Construction in the amount of \$30,580.00 was tabled for further review by the Supervisors.

6. Motion was made by Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Pitcavage to appoint Joseph R. Aliciene & Company to perform the 2023 financial review of the township financial records. The motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

7. Glenn L. Johnson request that Flatrock Road be closed beginning December 19th to install permanent right of way monuments. The road department will address this beginning December 19th.

PUBLIC GENERAL COMMENTS

Leo Shannon, Ridge Road asked about the Supervisors tabling the payment request from Mountain Stream Construction and clearing the Ridge Road right of way to Bodle Road. The Roadmaster will clear the right of way with the backhoe when time permits.

Joe Yonchik, Coon Road, asked about school buses traveling on Flatrock during the road closure.

Marty Murray Crown Drive. Asked again about the low wires on coon Road and whether anyone could be fined for not addressing the issue.

Chairman Williams served a zoning permit application and a stormwater permit application to Mr. Murray that were not submitted for approval to the Zoning Officer prior to constructing a manure storage shed on his property at 1904 West Eighth Street.

Christian Hilstolski, Coon Road asked about whether the storage building was complete.

THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 6:25 P.M.

Richard A. Melvin, Secretary/Treasurer