

**FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MINUTES**

**February 1, 2018
7:00 P.M.**

**CAMP ORCHARD HILL
Lake View Terrace**

Chairman Dymond called the Regular Meeting of the Franklin Township Board of Supervisors to order on Thursday, February 1, 2018 at 7:00 p.m., at Camp Orchard Hill, Lake View Terrace

Supervisors: Present: Ted Dymond, Chairman
Eric Williams, Vice Chairman

Others: Richard A. Melvin, Secretary/Treasurer
Vito DeLuca, Solicitor
Art Owen Jr., Roadmaster
Eleven visitors

Absent: William Miller, Supervisor

Motion was made by Mr. Dymond, seconded by Mr. Williams to waive the reading of the minutes of the January 2, 2018 Regular Meeting, and the January 2, 2018 Reorganization 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 January 31, 2018 totaled \$402,064.41. Mr. Williams made a motion, seconded by Mr. Dymond to approve the January 2018 Treasurers report, to approve payment of expenses totaling \$52,906.59 and to approve payrolls and payroll taxes in the amount of \$ 16,989.00. The motion passed unanimously.

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

Bob Kile Sr. asked about submitting a bid for the purchase of the 2006 F 250 pick up truck.

CORRESPONDENCE AND COMMUNICATIONS

Franklin & Northmoreland Township Ambulance Report for January 2018 was read by Mr. Melvin. Northmoreland Fire Company submitted their monthly report and it was read by Mr. Melvin. The Franklin Township Fire Department submitted monthly reports for December 2017 and January 2018. Mr. Williams asked Chief Kile about items listed on the 2017 Year End Fire Call reports. Specifically, how he recorded that apparatus was manned and responding with an average time of 3 minutes and the station was manned in a 3 to 5 minute response time. Mr. Melvin read letters from Luzerne County about grants for electronics recycling and for paper shredding events. Mr. Williams asked if we could coordinate a paper shredding event with our annual Spring Cleanup.

NEW BUSINESS

1. A request for passing an anti-corruption resolution was received. Solicitor DeLuca stated that while the notion of being against corruption is a given, the township as a governing body should not be involved with resolutions supporting or opposing any political ideology.

2. Northmoreland Fire Sent a letter inquiring about obtaining the pickup truck recently placed out of service by the township.
3. Mr. Melvin informed the board of the advertisements being run for potential bidders to construct the salt shed. Ryan Doughton was available to answer any questions regarding the process. Bids will be opened at the March 1, 2018 regular meeting.
4. Mr. Melvin and Art Owen Jr. gave an update on the status of the new pickup truck.
5. Mr. Melvin received the annual financial statement from the ambulance association. A motion was made by Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Dymond to approve the annual donation to the ambulance association. The motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business brought before the Board.

OPEN THE MEETING TO PUBLIC GENERAL COMMENTS

Marty Murray asked about the trees at the corner of 8th St. and Crown Drive, and about the county blighted properties program.

Christian Hilstolsky asked about the snow being pushed onto Crown Drive. Mr. Owen informed all that during his plowing throughout the township, there are many instances of snow being pushed or blown onto township roads. Mr. Melvin was going to check on the whether the township could use the county mass notification system to inform residents.

Bob Kile Sr. asked about the timing of donations to volunteer organizations, specifically the Franklin Township Fire Company.

THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 8:04 P.M.

Richard A. Melvin, Secretary/Treasurer