

**FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MINUTES**

**April 5, 2018
7:00 P.M.
CAMP ORCHARD HILL
Lakeview Terrace**

Chairman Dymond called the Regular Meeting of the Franklin Township Board of Supervisors to order on Thursday, April 5, 2018 at 7:00 p.m., at Camp Orchard Hill, Lake View Terrace auditorium.

Supervisors: Present: Ted Dymond, Chairman
William Miller, Vice Chairman
Eric Williams, Supervisor
Others: Richard A. Melvin, Secretary/Treasurer
Vito DeLuca, Solicitor
Art Owen Jr., Roadmaster
Ryan Doughton, Trumbower and Associates
Thirteen visitors

Motion was made by Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Miller to waive the reading of the minutes of the March 1, 2018 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 March 31, 2018 totaled \$419,244.17. Mr. Williams made a motion, seconded by Mr. Dymond to approve the March 2018 Treasurers report, to approve payment of expenses totaling \$22,035.65 and to approve payrolls and payroll taxes in the amount of \$ 11,056.65. The motion passed unanimously.

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

Mr. Murray asked about the bid bond of a bidder on the salt shed construction. Mr. Doughton reported that the bid was withdrawn due to inconsistencies with the bid bond.

CORRESPONDENCE AND COMMUNICATIONS

Franklin & Northmoreland Township Ambulance Report for March 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 March 2018. In addition, Franklin Township sent a letter of interest regarding the sale of a township vehicle. Mr. Melvin will contact Chief Kile when the vehicle goes up for sale. A letter was received from Kingston Twp. regarding participating financially in their 2018 Summer Recreation Program.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Motion was made by Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Dymond to open bids for paving a portion of Lewis Road and Valley View Road. The motion passed unanimously. The results with all add alternates are as follows: American Asphalt - \$ 324,171.65, Pennsy Supply - \$ 296,783.71, New Enterprise Stone & Lime - \$ 319,548.50. All bid bonds were in order.
2. Motion was made by Mr. Dymond, seconded by Mr. Williams to accept the low bid by Pennsy Supply pending review by the engineer and solicitor. The motion passed unanimously.

3. Motion was made by Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Miller to award a construction bid for the salt shed with the alternate amount of \$10,000.00 deducted to Belles Property Management, LLC.
4. The Bodle Road Forest 2 Subdivision which borders Franklin Twp. and shows no activity in Franklin Twp. was reviewed by the Planning Commission with no comment. A motion was made by Mr. Dymond, seconded by Mr. Williams to sign off on the subdivision with no comment. The motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

5. Mr. Melvin reviewed the county program that will allow the township to apply for funds to demolish blighted structures
6. Mr. Melvin reminded elected and appointed officials about the May 1st deadline to submit Statements of Financial Interest to the Secretary.

OPEN THE MEETING TO PUBLIC GENERAL COMMENTS

Mr. Williams, speaking on behalf of Back Mountain Little League would like to use the ball field on township property for practice only. They are willing to finance any improvements as well as insure the township from liability. They ask that the township continue to cut the grass. There will be no concession stand. A motion was made by Mr. Dymond, seconded by Mr. Miller to approve the arrangement. Mr. Williams abstained. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Williams commented on the amount of money the township donates to the fire company.

Regarding a recent call on Valley View Road, Mr. Williams and Mr. Kile disagreed on what was stated on the Wyoming County 911 recordings.

Mr. Murray commented on the low hanging branches on Lewis Road. Mr. Owen is getting quotes for branch cutting. Mr. Murray also commented on low hanging wires which is the contractor responsibility to notify the utility.

Chuck Story read a letter regarding a recent letter sent to residents and Northmoreland's commitment to township residents. He also stated that until issues are resolved, Northmoreland Twp. will downgrade to a 2nd box alarm not 1st box alarm.

Josh Hilstolsky asked about audits received from Northmoreland Twp.

Motion was made by Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Miller to amend a prior motion and to approve the quote from Pennsy Supply to include all of the add alternates as part of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 8:03 P.M.

Richard A. Melvin, Secretary/Treasurer