

**FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MINUTES**

**December 1, 2016
7:00 P.M.**

FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP FIRE HALL

Chairman Dymond called the Regular Meeting of the Franklin Township Board of Supervisors to order on Thursday, December 1, 2016 at 7:00 p.m., at the Franklin Township Fire Hall.

Supervisors: Present: Ted Dymond, Chairman
William Miller, Vice Chairman
Eric Williams, Supervisor

Others: Richard A. Melvin, Secretary/Treasurer
Vito DeLuca, Solicitor
Seven visitors

Mr. Dymond asked those in attendance to observe a Moment of Silence to recognize the passing of Dick Bartholomew who served the township, fire department and ambulance in many capacities over several decades. Dick Bartholomew's dedication, service and volunteerism will be sorely missed.

Motion was made by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Williams to waive the reading of the minutes of the November 3, 2016 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, 2016 totaled \$399,252.01. Mr. Williams made a motion, seconded by Mr. Miller to approve the November 2016 Treasurers report, to approve payment of expenses totaling \$90,644.04 and to approve payrolls and payroll taxes in the amount of \$ 9,628.55. The motion passed unanimously.

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

There was no comment.

CORRESPONDENCE AND COMMUNICATIONS

Franklin & Northmoreland Township Ambulance Report for November 2016 was recited by Mr. Melvin. Fire report for Franklin Township was recited verbally by Mr. Melvin. Northmoreland Fire Company submitted their monthly report and it was read by Mr. Melvin. Mr. Melvin read a letter from Mrs. George Parris from Demunds Road thanking the several fire companies for their quick response and skill in controlling a leaf and brush fire near her home. Mr. Melvin read a letter of resignation from Joseph S. Yonchik as EMA Coordinator due to time constraints and conflicts with the operation of his business. Comcast sent a letter regarding price changes for their services. A letter was sent by State Representative Aaron Kaufer regarding a Coldwater Conservation Planning Grant to be submitted by the Eastern PA Coalition for Abandoned Mine Reclamation. Letters were sent by Harveys Lake Borough and Lehman Township asking the township for a letter of support for their pending LSA grant applications.

NEW BUSINESS

1. A motion was made by Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Miller to approve Resolution #07-2016 – Franklin Township LSA Grant Application for an equipment building. The motion passed unanimously.
2. A motion was made by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Williams to approve Resolution #08-2016 – BMCP LSA Grant Application for an equipment storage building. The motion passed unanimously.
3. A motion was made by Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Miller to approve and advertise the tentative budget for 2017 in the amount of \$ 542,525.00. The motion passed unanimously.
4. A motion was made by Mr. Dymond, seconded by Mr. Williams to advertise the annual reorganization meeting and to approve and advertise the 2017 regular monthly meeting schedule of the Franklin Township Board of Supervisors and Franklin Township Planning Commission. The motion passed unanimously.
5. Frontier Communications sent a Cable Franchise Proposal to provide cable and internet services within the township. The Board will review the proposal over the next several months. Currently, there is only one cable franchise authorized within the township.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no Old Business presented before the Board.

OPEN THE MEETING TO PUBLIC GENERAL COMMENTS

There were no general comments addressed to the Board.

THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 7:28 P.M.

Richard A. Melvin, Secretary/Treasurer