

**FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
MINUTES**

**September 6, 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, September 6, 2018 at 7:00 p.m., at Camp Orchard Hill.

Supervisors:            Present:     Ted Dymond, Chairman  
   Eric Williams, Vice Chairman  
   William Miller, Supervisor  
Others:                             Richard A. Melvin, Secretary/Treasurer  
   Vito DeLuca, Solicitor  
   Fourteen visitors

Motion was made by Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Dymond to waive the reading of the minutes of the August 2, 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 August 31, 2018 totaled \$198,719.08. Mr. Williams made a motion, seconded by Mr. Miller to approve the August 2018 Treasurers report, to approve payment of expenses totaling \$406,355.42 and to approve payrolls and payroll taxes in the amount of \$ 13,559.03. The motion passed unanimously.

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

Marty Murray commented on the Lewis Road water coming through the new pavement.

**CORRESPONDENCE AND COMMUNICATIONS**

Franklin & Northmoreland Township Ambulance Report for August 2018 was read by Mr. Melvin. Northmoreland Fire Company submitted their August monthly report and it was read by Mr. Melvin. The Franklin Township Fire Department submitted a monthly report for August 2018.

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. Motion was made by Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Miller to approve second payment to Belles Property management, LLC for construction of the salt storage building in the amount of \$39,488.97. The motion passed unanimously.
2. Motion was made by Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Miller to approve second payment to Pennsy Supply, Inc. for resurfacing Lewis Road and Valley View Road in the amount of \$23,525.54. The motion passed unanimously.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

3. Mr. Melvin reviewed the final items to complete the construction of the salt shed.

## **OPEN THE MEETING TO PUBLIC GENERAL COMMENTS**

Dave Hilstolsky commented on a catch basin grate adjacent to Ridge Road and about the lack of water available for a barn fire on Sickler Road...more tankers should be responding.

Marty Murray asked about issues on a recent fire call with 911 such as being put on hold and being transferred to various county 911 stations. Also, didn't know who was in charge at the fire scene, adequate water being available especially at a barn fire. Asked about line painting on township roads.

Christina Finn thanked all firefights for their service, commented that the same fire company issues are being discussed every month and asked that the supervisors be allowed to do their job and make decisions based on the facts available.

Leo Shannon commented that Ridge Road is draining much better after the recent work by the road department and asked if the supervisors could budget for a larger machine for the next year on Ridge Road.

Richard Mooney asked about the absence of a flag at the municipal building.

Ernie Gay commented about possible problems with handheld communications among first responders if Luzerne County switched to digital radios while Wyoming County remain with analog.

## **THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 7:52 P.M.**

Richard A. Melvin, Secretary/Treasurer