

Franklin Township Trustees
Tuesday, April 24, 2018
Regular Meeting Minutes

At 7:00pm Chairman Keith Benjamin called the meeting to order. Minutes from the previous board meeting and the special hearing were approved by a motion made by Scott Swan; 2nd Ann Hanna. All three trustees voted yes.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Sgt. Scott Ulsenheimer of the PCSO summarized activity in the area for the last 30 day period. There have been retail theft incidents, DUI's and shoplifting incidences leading to arrests, speeding and suspicious persons and drug use in public parking lots. The sheriff's office will have two extra patrols in the township on May 4th.
- Tatiana Havel – 6242 Lakeview Dr. – is a representative of the Brady Lake Women's Group. Annually, the group holds a fundraiser that helps children with disabilities and scholarships and holds it at the Brady Lake Ballpark and pavilion. In the past they have received permission to serve alcohol at this event. They are seeking permission to do so again and, at their expense, have a police officer on site. Franklin Township's zoning code clearly states that no alcohol be served or consumed at any of the pavilions in Franklin Township Parks. The trustees unanimously agreed that the policy is clear as stated and did not grant permission for an exception in this case.
- Theresa Mullet – 264 Cackler Road – introduced herself to the board as an interested candidate for the township Zoning Commission. She is a 38 year resident of the township. Mr. Benjamin asked that she visit our website and familiarize herself with the zoning department, its duties and responsibilities and the zoning code and speak directly with Sam Abell and Ken Penix. The board expressed their gratitude for her interest and willingness to serve.
- Trudy Capel – 1675 E. Main St – as owner and manager of the UPS, Store Ms. Capel asked for permission to advertise for their semi-annual Book Buy Back event with the use of a banner for 30 days – 2nd week of May through the 2nd week of June. All three trustees agreed to her request.
- Yvonne Taylor – 6232 Cox Ave. – is seeking zoning clarification. There is a difference in some requirements between the former village code and the township code. Mr. Abell spoke up and stated that in her situation the village code will prevail. Mr. Benjamin stated that it is the township's intent that the codes be merged and one township code will be in effect by the end of summer this year. Mr. Abell stated that a complaint is currently being made about her property and that she has been very cooperative thus far. He is confident the matter will be resolved soon. Mr. Swan responded that he continues to be grateful for Sam Abell's ability to work things out smoothly and his non-confrontational approach to a complaint driven department.

ZONING REPORT

Submitted as written by Sam Abell and is attached to the official record. Additionally, **Resolution 2018-10**, authorizing the initiation of due process to raze the structure located at 6568 Crescent Lane, part of the estate of Don and Norma Garrett, was approved by a motion made by Keith Benjamin; 2nd Scott Swan. All three trustees voted yes.

ROAD REPORT

Submitted as written by Jake Biltz and is attached to the official record. Discussion followed Mr. Biltz’s report about a change in uniform policy for the road crew. The township will begin issuing allowance checks annually and the road superintendent will have approval on what pants, shirts, jackets, etc. the crew will purchase and launder independently in lieu of rented uniforms. The first annual checks of \$714.00 per road department employee will be issued May 8th. This amount includes \$564 for uniform apparel and \$150 for work boots. Also, the township will advertise for a new hire for the road crew.

OLD BUSINESS

- Interviews for the Assistant Zoning Inspector position went well. A candidate was selected as best suited for the position. A motion was made by Scott Swan to hire Joe Ciccozi as the new AZI, at an hourly rate of \$15.00, with the understanding that the position will require 15 hours minimum of work per month, with additional hours in the beginning to aid in training; 2nd Ann Hanna. All three trustees voted yes.
- An annual maintenance agreement is necessary for the newly installed ADA Lift at town hall. A motion to approve the offered agreement with Arrow Lift that provides for regular oil, lubrication and inspection of the lift for a year at a cost of \$928.00 and that this be addressed next year to establish if this meets our needs was made by Scott Swan; 2nd Keith Benjamin. All three trustees voted yes.

FINANCES

- **Resolution 2018-09** – a resolution to proceed to place the replacement road levy on the ballot this November was approved by a motion made by Keith Benjamin; 2nd Scott Swan. All three trustees voted yes.
- Bills were presented for payment, warrants # 24002 through 24028, including payment vouchers, totaling \$25,199.38. Payment of bills was authorized by a motion made by Scott Swan; 2nd Ann Hanna. All three trustees voted yes.

At 7:50pm the meeting was adjourned by a motion made by Scott Swan; 2nd Keith Benjamin. All three trustees voted yes.

Date _____ Fiscal Officer _____

Chairman _____