

Kittanning, Pennsylvania February 23, 2023

The Board of Supervisors of East Franklin Township met in the Municipal Building at 6:00 p.m. for the February 23, 2023 regular meeting.

Present: Barry Peters, Chairman
Dan Goldinger, Vice Chairman
David Stewart, Supervisor
Debra Cornman, Secretary/Treasurer
Larry Richardson – Zoning Officer

Executive Session was held with West Hills Emergency Services from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Sara Southworth, Resident – Fox Hollow – What is the status of our road (Chickadee) located in Fox Hollow. Some of the roads in the plan have never been paved. Last time I was here I was told a cul de sac needed to be put in by PennDOT. PennDOT says they were never contacted.

David Stewart, Supervisor – We had to wait for PennDOT to check the road to see what is needed for the Township to take the road over to receive money from the state. We must go by PennDOT specifications. The cul de sac needs to be 90 feet in diameter and the developer (Scott Hooks) is responsible for fixing the road. The Township does not own the road.

Josh Starr, Treasurer - West Hills Emergency Services – A discussion was held by WHES and **Township Residents**** on the proposal to have a 1-mill fire tax on the spring election ballot via voter referendum. The tax would help pay for a new building for the department, with funds also be used to pay for new vehicles and equipment. According to the Armstrong County Assessment Officer the average taxable parcel in East Franklin Township is \$35,398 which means a fire tax of \$35.00 per year. Less than \$3.00 a month. (1-Mill Tax - \$84,000 - Approximate net \$65,000)

****Township Residents - Signed-In & Spoke** – Rose Brosius, Robert Johns – They support the WHES but question adding a new tax to the residents of the Township.

Matt Kutch, West Hills Emergency Services – Update on the Fire Company. So far this year we have responded to 33 calls – 10 Motor vehicle accidents, 7 structure fires, 7 automatic alarms, and several miscellaneous calls.

REGULAR MEETING – FEBRUARY 23, 2023

PUBLIC COMMENTS (CONTINUED):

Gracie Elosser – Resident of Glade Run Road – Has the Township receive the study and a list on what can be done about the intersection of State Route 422 and Glade Run Road. Has there been any decision?

David Stewart, Supervisor – I spoke with Darin Alviano from the Armstrong County on Monday. We are still waiting for PennDOT to say what they think can be done with the intersection.

Sara Southworth, Resident – Fox Hollow – Can you give us a copy of the information provided to the township for the intersection of U.S. 422 and Glade Run Road. And can we get the name and phone number at PennDOT with who you are talking to.

David Stewart, Supervisor – I will get you that information.

Chris Evans, Resident – We still have speeding on East Brady Road near the firehall. Can the township police patrol that section of road?

Barry Peters, Supervisor – I will talk to him.

Rose Brosius – I have concerns about East Franklin Township Police Officer, leaving the township to get lunch (time taken and use of the police car). I believe it would benefit the township to purchase a tracking device for the police car. I would be willing to donate a tracking device to track his activity and for his safety.

Barry Peters, Supervisor – We are not paying for tracking devices for township vehicles.

Vince & Valerie Shaw – Would the Township consider an electronic speed sign to show the drivers their speed? I see them in other communities. It definitely gets the driver's attention.

Charlie & Cindy Kennedy – We have a neighbor burning all hours of the day what can we do?

Larry Richardson, Zoning Officer – I can send a letter to the neighbor informing them of the burning ordinance rules. If they keep burning, give us a call.

APPROVALS:

MINUTES:

Motion made by David Stewart and seconded by Barry Peter to approve minutes for January 26, 2023, regular meeting. Motion approved unanimously.

REGULAR MEETING – FEBRUARY 23, 2023

APPROVALS (CONTINUED):

APPROVE BILLS AND INVOICES:

Motion made by David Stewart and seconded by Dan Goldinger to approve paying all bills and invoices for January 27 through February 23, 2023. Motion approved unanimously.

POLICE REPORT:

Total reportable calls – 27 calls

Motion made by Barry Peters and seconded by Dan Goldinger to approve the Police Report for January 27 through February 23, 2023. Motion approved unanimously.

ROAD MASTER REPORT:

See Attached:

Motion made by Barry Peters and seconded by Dan Goldinger to approve the Road Master Report for January 27 through February 23, 2023. Motion approved unanimously.

ZONING OFFICER REPORT:

See Attached – 3 Permits Issued:

Motion made by Barry Peters and seconded by David Stewart to approve the Zoning Officer Report for January 27 through February 23, 2023. Motion approved unanimously.

SEWAGE REPORT:

See Attached:

Motion made by Barry Peters and seconded by Dan Goldinger to approve the Sewage Report for January 27 through February 23, 2023. Motion approved unanimously.

TRASH WEEK:

Motion made by Barry Peters and seconded by David Stewart to set trash week for Thursday, May 4, and Friday May 5 from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Motion approved unanimously.

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RESOLUTIONS:

Motion made by David Stewart and seconded by Dan Goldinger to adopt **Resolution No. 03-2023** of the Township of East Franklin, Armstrong County, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, authorizing condemnation of property in order to construct the sewer system improvements to serve its residents. Motion made unanimously.

Motion made by David Stewart and seconded by Dan Goldinger to adopt **Resolution No. 04-2023** of the Township of East Franklin, Armstrong County, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, providing to amend Resolution #12-2022 for Supplemental appropriation for the 2023 budget. (American Rescue Plan Allocation – Premium Pay – Eligible Workers). Motion made unanimously.

AUTHORIZATION:

Motion made by David Stewart and seconded by Dan Goldinger to authorize approval of Affidavit of Non-Production with Snyder Brothers Inc., of the required lease bonus payment in the amount of \$3,341.50. Motion made unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion made by Dan Goldinger and seconded by Barry Peters to adjourn the regular meeting. Motion approved unanimously.

Debra L. Cornman, Secretary/Treasurer

Road Report for February 2023

Although we have had a very mild winter so far, we were out a handful of times treating the roads with salt and ash. Stone was placed in holes on the dirt roads, and cold patch was used on the paved roads. Ditches were cleaned out. Several dead trees were cut down along the roads. We were called to assist the fire company multiple times when a house burned on Carpenter Dr. Stone was placed along Wible Rd. to fill in the low shoulder. We had one callout from 911 for a tree on the road. Underdrain and a crosspipe were installed on Lemon Hollow Rd. A couple really soft spots on Quigley Hill Rd were dug out and filled with stone. A few minor repairs were made on the equipment.

EAST FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP ZONING DEPARTMENT REPORT FEBRUARY 2023

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Zoning Permits: (since the last supervisors meeting)

- Permit# 2023-02 Home Business - Brenda Johnson, Chocolate Candy
- Permit# 2023-03 Zoning (Pending) – Tom Robertson, Shed & Fence
- Permit# 2023-04 Demolition – Dennis Bowser, house fire

Miscellaneous:

- Future Requests:
 - Rimer Hill, New Building in the Industrial Park
 - Stormwater Mgt Sys for New Gym Center on Butler Road

Next Meeting:

- March 30, 2023, 6:00 p.m.

Larry

cc D. Cornman

East Franklin Township
Sewage Report
February 2023
Report by David Stewart

On February 13, 2023, sludge was hauled from the Cowansville STP by CWM.

Repairs are being made at the Boltz Pump Station.

Repaired a sewage line at Fox Hollow STP.

One real estate transfer inspection was done in Fox Hollow.

Shut Off Water notices were posted on the applicable houses.

Lab samples were collected for the month of February and transported to CWM.
DMR reports for the month of January 2023 were submitted to DEP.