

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Held March 25, _____ 20 20

The Franklin Township Board of Trustees met for their regularly scheduled meeting on March 25, 2020 at 6PM. Due to the Covid-19 health crisis, necessary staff were asked to attend via video-conference. Trustee Shane Centers, Trustee Matt Jennings, and Trustee Brian Morris attended. Chief Hannigan and Administrator Stivers appeared via video feed. Road Superintendent Rob Rose attended in person. Due to social distancing and the Governors mandates to stay at home, the public was able to view the meeting via a Zoom meeting feed, which was advertised on the Township's Facebook page, sent to the Franklin Chronicle and the Journal News.

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Visitors: None

HR Business:

A Tele-working policy was presented to be retroactive to outline the expectations of staff when working from home. Mr. Morris made a motion to adopt the policy. Mr. Jennings seconded the motion. ROLL

CALL: Mr. Morris – Yes
 Mr. Jennings – Yes
 Mr. Centers – Yes Motion carried.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Mr. Morris made a motion to adopt resolution no. 01-03252020 authorizing the Township Administrator, or her designee, to sign an electric supplied contract. Mr. Jennings seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Morris – Yes
 Mr. Jennings – Yes
 Mr. Centers – Yes Motion carried.

Mr. Jennings made a motion to adopt an open burn and prescribed burn ban during times of local or state emergencies. Mr. Morris seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Morris – Yes
 Mr. Jennings – Yes
 Mr. Centers – Yes Motion carried.

The Board held discussion regarding their thoughts on the need for the Warren County Board of Commissioners to adopt a declaration of emergency for Warren County. They asked Mrs. Stivers to reach out to her contacts at the county and make our support for such a declaration known.

Mr. Morris made a motion to approve the expenditure of \$20,000 for the construction and installation of storm boxes on Knollbrook Drive. Mr. Jennings seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Morris – Yes
 Mr. Jennings – Yes
 Mr. Bishop – Yes Motion carried.

Mr. Rose asked the Trustees for approval to purchase two vehicles, one at an approximate cost of \$50,000 and the other at an approximate cost of \$60,000. He indicated that he planned to apply for a safety grant to pay for one feature of one of the vehicles. All trustees said they understood the need and they knew we had appropriated money for these purchases. Mr. Centers said that this was not on the agenda and he didn't feel comfortable making a decision without more time to think about it and having the opportunity to speak to the Fiscal Officer. It was agreed that they would table the issue.

Fire Report:

Chief Hannigan, via video-conference, briefly updated the Trustees on the operations of his department during this public health emergency.

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Fiscal Report:

Mr. Jennings made a motion to approve the payment listing. Mr. Morris seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Morris – Yes
Mr. Jennings – Yes
Mr. Centers – Yes

Motion carried.

Mr. Morris made a motion to approve all other fiscal reports. Mr. Jennings seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Morris – Yes
Mr. Jennings – Yes
Mr. Centers – Yes

Motion carried.

Comments by Individual Trustees:

Mr. Morris said that if anyone knew of senior citizens who needed help during this time to please let the township office know and we would do what we could to help them.

Mr. Jennings thanked everyone for their work and especially the Fire Department and JEMS.

Mr. Centers suggested that everyone should watch Dr. Acton and Governor DeWine's daily briefing and learn more about this pandemic as well as staying home.

Adjournment:

Mr. Jennings made a motion to adjourn at 6:29PM. Mr. Morris seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Jennings – Yes
Mr. Morris – Yes
Mr. Centers – Yes

Motion carried.

The next scheduled meeting will be held Wednesday, April 8, 2020 at 6:00p.m.


Scot Fromeyer, Fiscal Officer