

LOWER FRANKFORD TOWNSHIP
November 14, 2023
Monthly Meeting

Rollcall

Jim Burkholder – Present (Chairman Board of Supervisors)
James Heishman – Present (Vice Chairman Board of Supervisors)
David Bachman – Present (Supervisor - Roadmaster)
Karen Heishman – Present (Secretary/Treasurer/Manager)
Pam Burkholder – Not Present (Tax Collector)
Ed Franco – Present (Chairman Planning Commission)
Keith Senecal – Not Present (Vice Chairman Planning Commission)
Hubert Gilroy – Present (Solicitor)
Marcus McKnight – Present (Solicitor)
Greg Alleman – Not Present (Code Enforcement/Zoning Officer)
Donna Yarlett – Not Present (Chairman Board of Auditors)
Debbie Starner – Not Present (Secretary Board of Auditors)

Executive Session: Marcus McKnight called an executive session at 7:01. The session ended at 7:12.

Marcus McKnight presented Mr. Jay Rauscher with his formal response to the Keith Jones Harvesting LLC complaints that were submitted on September 5 and September 15th. Solicitor McKnight recommends that Lower Frankford Township take four actions:

- 1) A quarterly site visit to Jones Harvesting LLC
- 2) Remain in contact with Cumberland County Conservation District
- 3) Reach out to Penn State Agriculture Extension regarding recommendations of any additional actions which would reduce the impacts as the mulch is created and when it is applied to fields off site.
- 4) Improve the entrance off the State road in order to minimize impacts to Township roads.

Jim made a motion to accept the four recommendations, second by David and passed with an all-in-favor vote.

Marcus McKnight provided the BOS with an update from Barb Gleim's office concerning Food Processing Residuals.

Previous Minutes: Jim made a motion to approve the October meeting minutes, second by James and passed with an all-in-favor vote. Jim made a motion to approve the budget planning meeting minutes, second by James and passed with an all-in-favor vote.

Treasurers Report: The attached treasurer's report for October was approved with a motion by Jim, second by David and passed with an all-in-favor vote.

Motion to Pay Current Bills: A list of outstanding bills was presented to the BOS. Jim made a motion to pay the current bills, second by James and passed with an all-in-favor vote.

Planning Commission Report: Report attached.

Code Enforcement Report: No report.

Roadmaster Report: The road crew removed the docks from Opossum Lake.

Building & Grounds Report: No report.

Equipment Report: The Ford F750 wiring has been repaired and the truck was inspected. The Ford F550 and L8000 have both been inspected. The boom mower arm broke off. Randy will be welding it.

C. O. G. Report: Cole Hasenbalg from the 199th District reported that Barb Gleim met with the Food Processing Residual Workgroup at the PA Department of Agriculture on October 25th. There are approximately twenty people in the workgroup. The purpose of the meeting was to reduce odor from application and storage, protect ground and surface water, provide compliance, clarity, and maintain soil and personal health. An overview was given of recent FPR compliance issues and compared our issues with surrounding states. A farmer who has been injecting FPRs in his area with no issues gave his perspective on how our regulations and guidelines could be changed. Barb received clarification at this meeting that FPRs are not considered hazardous waste. The next meeting will be held on November 28th.

Nancy Bull from the 13th Congressional District said that Representative John Joyce serves eight townships in Cumberland County. Representative Joyce would be willing to attend a meeting to discuss how he could help the townships and explain what assistance may be available at the Federal level, like community project funds. The Federal Government has no budget to date. There is hope of a possible budget by the end of the week. Rep Joyce will be holding a Veterans Event this Thursday in Adams County. Representative Joyce publishes a newsletter every Sunday with tons of great information in it. If you are not already receiving it, please contact Nancy (Nancy.Bull@mail.house.gov) to sign up.

Jean Foschi mentioned that Cumberland County is currently in budget season. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday. Jean shared that both she and Vince are both very opposed to an increase in Cumberland County taxes for 2024. Budgeting has been a difficult process without a current State or Federal budget in place. Larry Barrick questioned Jean whether or not the Commissioners are considering adopting a resolution concerning Food Processing Residuals. Jean said the commissioners were in discussions about it.

Correspondence:

Unfinished Business: Representative Gleim's office has not responded to the BOS's request to have a traffic study on Old Mill Road from PennDOT. Karen will draft a letter.

Karen spoke with Amber Lee at the Department of Agriculture, soil testing is not a requirement as part of the permitting for an animal composting business license. A three foot barrier is placed beneath the composting materials.

The Memo of Understanding with the Cumberland County Conservation District was discussed. It would be ideal to have an erosion and sediment control template to give to the residents. Karen will work with Kim Falvey to try to develop a template.

New Business: A draft resolution for controlling the smell of Food Processing Residual was handed out at the WCCOG meeting. The BOS reviewed the resolution and tabled adopting it until the December meeting.

Mike Wadel presented an updated plan for Lil Ponderosa LLC. Jim made a motion to approve and sign the Lil Ponderosa LLC subdivision plan, second by James and passed with an all-in-favor vote. An updated Deihl subdivision plan was submitted. Jim made a motion to approve and sign the Deihl subdivision plan, second by James and passed with an all-in-favor vote. An updated Darhower Plan was also submitted. Jim made a motion to approve and sign the Darhower subdivision plan, second by James and passed with an all-in-favor vote.

A draft resolution concerning Volunteer Fireman Workers Compensation was handed out at the Cumberland County Township Convention. Jim made a motion to adopt the resolution, second by James and passed with an all-in-favor vote.

Kirk Stoner, Cumberland County Planning, worked diligently to obtain funding to replace the bridge on Wildwood Road. The total cost of the project is \$598,000 and Lower Frankford Township's share will be \$2,990. Jim made a motion to sign the Cumberland County Local Bridge Program Intermunicipal Cost Sharing Agreement, second by James and passed with an all-in-favor vote.

Karen presented the WCCOG salt bids. Jim made a motion to award the 2023-2024 salt bid to Eastern Salt for \$84.50 per ton delivered, second by David and passed with an all-in-favor vote.

Persons to be Heard: Wilmer Baker, 430 Run Road, request that the Township to install an alarm system for the pipeline to allow residents to know there is a rupture in the pipe. Mr. Baker submitted a letter concerning the Catherine Nori Small Flow Treatment System Application. Karen will include the letter in the application when she sends it to DEP.

Motion to Adjourn: Jim made a motion to adjourn the meeting, second by James and passed with an all-in-favor vote.