

LOWER FRANKFORD TOWNSHIP
December 5, 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 – Not 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)

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

Treasurers Report: The attached treasurer's report for November 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: No report.

Code Enforcement Report: No report.

Roadmaster Report: No report.

Building & Grounds Report: Continue to perform routine maintenance at the Township Park.

Equipment Report: No report.

C. O. G. Report: Brooke Bashore from the 193rd District mentioned that Representative Ecker, Representative Gleim, and Senator Rothman met with the acting Secretary of DEP concerning Food Processing Residuals. There is finally movement on this. Representative Ecker has been tasked with tightening up the legislation for the use of FPRs. Harrisburg is currently in session, wrapping up loose ends in the budget. The much needed 911 funding should be reauthorized by the end of the week.

Nancy Bull from the 13th Congressional District said that Representative John Joyce supports: H. R. 5933 The bill would expand disclosure and reporting requirements for institutions of higher education that receive gifts from or enter into contracts with foreign countries or entities.

Institutions that fail to meet the new requirements could be assessed civil penalties or lose eligibility for federal student financial aid.

H. R. 4468 The bill limits the authority of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) with regard to regulating emissions standards for new motor vehicles. Specifically, the EPA is prohibited from prescribing a regulation related to new motor vehicle emissions standards that (1) mandates the use of any specific technology, or (2) results in limited availability of new motor vehicles based on the type of new motor vehicle engine.

H. R. 5372 The bill would expand Seniors' Access to Lower Cost Medicines Act of 2023. It would amend Title XVIII of the Social Security Act to facilitate midyear formulary changes for biosimilars.

H. R. 5677 The bill will authorize the Federal Communications Commission to process applications for spectrum licenses from applicants who were successful bidders in an auction before the authority of the Commission to conduct auctions.

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 will be voting to approve its 2024 budget this week.

Correspondence:

Unfinished Business: Memo of Understanding with the Cumberland County Conservation District was discussed. An erosion and sediment control template to give to the residents is being worked on. Karen will reach out to Vince Elbel to get a list of soils in Lower Frankford Township as well as their abbreviations.

New Business: Randy Heishman, 2675 Walnut Bottom Road, addressed the BOS about the possibility of him donating a 2.7 acre piece of land with creek frontage at approximately 191 Old Mill Road to be utilized as a second township park. Randy requests that the park be named "Heishman Mill Park". The land is valued \$30,000. Jim made a motion to investigate the possibility of accepting the generous donation, second by James and passed with an all-in-favor vote. Karen will contact Hubert Gilroy to find out the appropriate way to start the process. Does the land need surveyed? Does the land need subdivided?

Lower Frankford Township is partnering with Penn State Water Resource Educator Andy Yench, to host a FREE drinking water clinic on Tuesday, December 19th from 4:00 to 6:00 at the municipal building. The clinic will provide on-site water testing that screens for pH, TDS, and Nitrate Nitrogen; and next day results for the presence or absence of coliform and E.coli bacteria. An invitation to attend the event will be mailed to the residents that attended the September 2023 BOS meeting. Jim made a motion to approve the invitation letter and mail it to twenty-seven residents, second by James and passed with an all-in-favor vote.

Catherine Nori is applying to DEP for a small flow treatment system. A resolution for plan revision for new land development is part of her application. Jim made a motion to adopt Resolution #PR-23-05, second by James and passed with an all-in-favor vote.

Jim made a motion to sign Resolution 24-B1 adopting the 2024 Township Budget, second by David and passed with an all-in-favor vote.

Jim made a motion to sign Resolution 24-B2 setting the 2024 Township Real Estate Rates, second by James 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.

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