

**FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
MINUTES**

**February 1, 2010  
7:00 P.M.**

**FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP FIRE HALL**

Vice Chairman Michael Prokopchak called the regular meeting of the Franklin Township Board of Supervisors to order on Monday, February 1, 2010 at 7:00 p.m., in the Franklin Township Fire Hall.

Vice Chairman Prokopchak led the Pledge of Allegiance

Supervisors:	Present:	Michael Prokopchak, Vice-Chairman William Miller, Supervisor
	Absent:	Ted Dymond, Chairman
	Others:	Art Owen, Roadmaster Richard A. Melvin, Secretary/Treasurer Vito DeLuca, Solicitor Five visitors

Motion was made by Mr. Prokopchak, seconded by Mr. Miller to waive the reading of the minutes of the January 4, 2010 Reorganization meeting and the January 4, 2010 regular meeting and to accept the minutes as posted. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Melvin gave the Treasurers report reciting the combined balances for all funds as of January 31, 2010 totaled \$87,065.33. Mr. Prokopchak made a motion, seconded by Mr. Miller to approve the January 2010 Treasurers report and to pay all the bills due. The motion passed unanimously.

**MEETING OPEN TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY.**

There was no public comment on agenda items.

**CORRESPONDENCE AND COMMUNICATIONS**

Mr. Melvin gave the January 2010 report for the Franklin/Northmoreland Township Ambulance. There was no report for the Franklin Township Volunteer Fire Company for the month of January 2010. A letter was received from township engineer, Trumbower and Associates, informing the board of their rate for professional services at \$65.00 per hour effective January 1, 2010 which includes all work relative to the Planning Commission and Zoning matters. Representative Boback sent a summary of current legislative proposals. Northeastern PA Labor Management Council sent a letter of invitation to join. Luzerne County Office of the Controller sent a copy of audit results of Tax Collector Susan Vodzak for the years 2006 and 2007.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

1. Roadmaster Owen gave his monthly report. Reported about ice conditions throughout the township, spent time cutting the ice and cutting/removing branches from cart paths due to recent winds and ice. Branches will be chipped in the Spring.
2. Motion made by Mr. Prokopchak, seconded by Mr. Miller to approve the quote from EIO Waste Solutions, Inc. for the 2010 Spring Cleanup. The motion passed unanimously.
3. Motion made by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Prokopchak to approve a \$300.00 annual fee for the Back Mountain Community Partnership. The motion passed unanimously.
4. Mr. Owen spoke about the status of purchasing a 2010 Ford F550 chassis through Hondru Fleet, Manheim, PA., and having the upfit of the dump body and hydraulics at Lancaster Truck Bodies, Lancaster, PA. Mr. Melvin gave the financial details of paying for the vehicle using a combination of Liquid Fuels, Cell Tower rents receivable monthly and borrowing the balance. Mr. Owen also spoke about disposing of the current truck through an auction to be held locally in April. Motion made by Mr. Prokopchak, seconded by Mr. Miller to approve purchase of a 2010 Ford F 550 chassis with upfit for a total of \$71,850.70. The motion passed unanimously.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

5. Mr. Golobek, from PA DEP sent a letter detailing the current status of any cleanup. From observation, no cleanup has yet begun. Supervisors requested the Secretary send another letter to remind the violator of his responsibilities and penalties of the ordinance and giving a definite time frame.

## **OPEN THE MEETING TO PUBLIC GENERAL COMMENTS**

There was no public comment

## **THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 7:21 P.M.**

Richard A. Melvin, Secretary/Treasurer