

**FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MINUTES**

**May 4, 2017
7:00 P.M.**

FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP FIRE HALL

Chairman Dymond called the Regular Meeting of the Franklin Township Board of Supervisors to order on Thursday, May 4, 2017 at 7:00 p.m., at the Franklin Township Fire Hall.

Supervisors:	Present:	Ted Dymond, Chairman William Miller, Vice Chairman Eric Williams, Supervisor
Others:		Richard A. Melvin, Secretary/Treasurer
Absent:		Vito DeLuca, Solicitor Twenty-one visitors

Motion was made by Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Miller to waive the reading of the minutes of the April 6, 2017 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 April 30, 2017 totaled \$512,872.89. Mr. Miller made a motion, seconded by Mr. Williams to approve the April 2017 Treasurers report, to approve payment of expenses totaling \$15,780.75 and to approve payrolls and payroll taxes in the amount of \$ 12,192.83. The motion passed unanimously.

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

CORRESPONDENCE AND COMMUNICATIONS

Franklin & Northmoreland Township Ambulance Report for April 2017 was recited by Mr. Melvin. Northmoreland Fire Company and Franklin Township Fire Company submitted their monthly reports and they were read by Mr. Melvin. Letter received from Lyle Company offering to extend the lease on the cell tower.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Route 292 bridge replacement has been tentatively delayed until the end of May with no detour changes.
2. Mike Spolar from Midlantic Asphalt explained various services he could provide to repair, crack seal and extend the life of paved roads between pavings.
3. Mr. Melvin spoke about the used tire recycling event held yearly in June at either Hanover High School or in Drums. Franklin Twp. Will be sending tires collected at the Spring Cleanup and along roadways during the year.

4. Mr. Melvin spoke about renewing eligibility every three years in the Federal Surplus Property Program. A motion was made by Mr. Dymond, seconded by Mr. Williams to filing the necessary paperwork to renew eligibility for three years. The motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Mr. Williams and Mr. Miller met with 2 candidates for Emergency Management Coordinator. A motion was made by Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Miller to recommend to Luzerne County and state officials to appoint Jonathon Skripka as EMA Coordinator. The motion passed unanimously.
2. Mr. Melvin gave an update on the progress of the salt shed construction.
3. Spring Cleanup will be held this Saturday from 8 to 4.

OPEN THE MEETING TO PUBLIC GENERAL COMMENTS

Gene Monahan spoke about drainage and swale issues along Hill drive during heavy rains.

Tom Price, Village Road also asked about fixing the road to prevent water running onto his property during heavy rains.

Ernie Gay, observed landline 911 calls still going to Luzerne County causing response time delays.

Joe Yonchik, Coon Road, observed Hill Road water running over Coon Road onto his property.

Marty Murray, Crown Drive reported a Coon Road drainage pipe near Prokopchak farm was blocked again and suggested the pipe was too small and that drainage ditch along Coon Road toward Eighth St. was blocked. Mr. Miller asked that a letter be issued to the property owner at Eighth St and Coon Road to clear the ditch that was blocked during recent work being done at that property.

Christina Finn, Valley View Road, inquired about child clearances from the fire company. Chief Kile addressed those child clearance issues.

Dave Hilstolsky, Coon Road asked why the Roadmaster did not attend meetings to address the many questions brought up concerning roads.

THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 8:18 P.M.

Richard A. Melvin, Secretary/Treasurer