

**FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
RE-ORGANIZATION MEETING
MINUTES
JANUARY 5, 2009
7:00 PM
FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP FIRE HALL**

Supervisor Fred Dymond led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Franklin Township Secretary Richard Melvin held a roll call. Present were Supervisors Lance Baseski, Michael Prokopchak and Fred Dymond III, Solicitor Vito DeLuca, Secretary/Treasurer Richard Melvin, Roadmaster Art Owen. There were 8 visitors also in attendance.

Mr. Prokopchak made a motion, seconded by Mr. Baseski, to appoint Mr. Dymond as temporary Chairman. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Prokopchak made a motion, seconded by Mr. Baseski to appoint Richard Melvin as temporary Secretary. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Prokopchak made a motion, seconded by Mr. Baseski, to nominate Mr. Dymond as Chairman. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Dymond made a motion, seconded by Mr. Baseski, to appoint Mr. Prokopchak as Vice-Chair. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Dymond made a motion, seconded by Mr. Baseski, to approve the following motions as a group:

1. **Motion** to appoint Richard A. Melvin as Secretary/Treasurer at an hourly rate of \$12.61 for a 30-hour workweek plus \$30.00 per meeting attended retroactive to January 4, 2009.
2. **Motion** to appoint Art Owen Sr. as the Zoning Officer at an annual salary of \$5500.00, to be paid on a monthly basis.
3. **Motion** to appoint Osbert Patton as Sewage Enforcement Officer, and Arthur Popp and Jim Gaidula as Alternate Sewage Enforcement Officers and to pass **Resolution # 01 – 2009**, establishing fees, wages, and procedures to be used in connection with the administration of Act 537.
4. **Motion** to appoint Art Owen Sr. as Roadmaster.

5. Recognition of Road Department wages as set by the 2009 Budget retroactive to January 4, 2009.
 - Roadmaster - \$16.94 per hour, 40 hour work week with overtime as necessary.
 - Equipment Operator - \$15.30 per hour, 40 hour work week with overtime as necessary.
 - Laborer - \$11.00 per hour, hired as needed.
6. Recognition of paid holidays for full time Road Department as follows:
 - New Years Day, Memorial Day, Fourth of July, Labor Day, Veterans Day, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day.
7. Recognition of full time Road Department additional benefits for 2009 as follows:
 - Two weeks paid vacation, three paid personal days, five paid sick days.
8. **Motion** to authorize the Treasurers Bond in the amount of \$200,000.00.
9. Recognition of Susan Vodzak as Franklin Township Tax Collector to be compensated at a rate of 5% of taxes collected.
10. **Motion** to appoint the solicitors as follows: Vito DeLuca (Supervisors - \$95.00/hour), Eric N. Dingle (Planning Commission - \$95.00/hour), Charles D. McCormick (Zoning Hearing Board - \$85.00/hour).
11. **Motion** to appoint Trumbower and Associates as Franklin Township's Engineering Consultants and Borton Lawson Engineering as the alternate engineering consultant.
12. **Motion** to appoint George Kovalick to serve as Chairman of the Vacancy Board.
13. **Motion** to re-appoint Gerald Siperko and Scott Latoski as a Planning Commission members for another four year term expiring in January 2013. Recognition of the remaining members as follows: Frank Hilstolsky (term expires January 2010), Pat Perry (term expires 2011), and Joseph Garlan (term expires 2012).
18. **Motion** to re-appoint Jerry McDonald as a Zoning Hearing Board member for a three year term expiring January 2012. Recognition of the remaining members as follows: Don Roskos (term expiring January 2010), and Joseph Stankus (Term expires January 2011)
19. **Motion** to pass **Resolution # 02 – 2009** which names PNC Bank and PLGIT as the Franklin Township depositories for 2009.

20. **Motion** to advertise the schedule of regular meetings for 2009 to be held at the Franklin Township Fire Hall beginning at 7:00 P.M.:

January 5	July 6
February 2	August 3
March 2	September 1 (Tuesday)
April 6	October 5
May 4	November 2
June 1	December 7

21. **Motion** to advertise the schedule of Planning Commission meeting for 2009 held at the Franklin Township Fire Hall at 7:00 P.M.:

January 26	July 27
February 23	August 31
March 30	September 28
April 27	October 26
May 26 (Tuesday)	November 16
June 29	December 21

22. **Motion** to reappoint Maureen Oremus and Heather Meyer as auditors for a one year term expiring in January 2010. Recognition of remaining members are as follows: Robert Wineman (term expires January 2012).
23. **Motion** to adopt the current IRS rate for mileage reimbursement as announced and updated.
24. **Motion** to name Berkheimer Associates as collector of Earned Income Tax and Local Services Tax.
25. **Motion** to appoint Carver and Associates, LLC to perform the 2008 audit of Franklin Township at a cost not to exceed \$3,000.00.
26. **Motion** to appoint Lisa Blazure as Secretary of the Planning Commission at a salary of \$1200.00 per year, paid on a monthly basis, plus \$25.00 per meeting attended.
27. **Motion** to pass **Resolution # 03-2009** – Secretary Authorization to release operating disbursements retroactive to January 1, 2009.

28. **Motion** to pass **Resolution # 04-2009** – Fixing property tax rate for 2009 at 0.5096 Mills retroactive to January 1, 2009.
29. **Motion** to pass **Resolution # 05-2009** – Fixing township taxes for 2009 retroactive to January 1, 2009.
30. **Motion** to authorize PSATS Annual Convention attendance, to authorize reimbursement for all reasonable per diem expenses, and to appoint a voting delegate.

The motions were approved unanimously.

Mr. Prokopchak made a motion, seconded by Mr. Baseski, for authorization of Mr. Dymond, Mr. Prokopchak and Mr. Baseski to attend the PSATS Annual Convention.

Mr. Prokopchak made a motion, seconded by Mr. Baseski to Adjourn the Reorganization Meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Richard Melvin,
Secretary/ Treasurer