

Franklin Township Trustees  
Tuesday, December 8, 2020  
Regular Meeting Minutes

At 7:00pm Chairman Scott Swan called the meeting to order. Approval of the minutes from the previous meeting were approved by a motion made by Ann Hanna; 2nd Keith Benjamin. All three trustees voted yes. In attendance were three trustees, the fiscal officer and two members in the audience. Mr. Swan stated for the record that this meeting was only being held because our second December meeting, which falls the week of Christmas, was already canceled despite the purple color code COVID warning for our county.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

- Jill Grimm – 1509 Merrill Ave. – expressed gratitude for the successful leaf pickup program this year. She also reiterated that hanging wires on the Merrill/ST RT 43 triangle that were previously reported are still hanging and need taken care of. The trustees will remind Mr. Langston to have the road crew handle the matter.
- Marilyn Knights – 64987 Westshore Dr. – expressed continued concerns about the junk piled up at the location where Mr. Akers resides on Westshore at the foot of Stratton. She feels like it has been an endless problem. Mr. Swan will ask Mr. Joe Ciccozzi to follow up on the status. Ms. Knights then inquired about the status of the lake level for Lake Brady. Trustees replied that there are no plans to alter the lake level beyond or below what it is currently. An exact depth is not known at this time.

#### DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Due to the COVID color code warning escalating to purple, department heads were asked to submit written reports and refrain from attending in person. The fire report, zoning report, and road report were accepted into the record.

#### OLD BUSINESS

- A trespassing issue previously addressed over personal property of the Montforts being on township property is still being evaluated and no action/decision has been made at this time for resolution.
- The decision was made to cancel the annual inventory breakfast with the City of Kent fire department due to COVID warnings.
- Removal of a tree located on the Jodi German property located near the spillway access point (\$1100) was approved by a motion made by Scott Swan; 2<sup>nd</sup> Keith Benjamin. All three trustees voted yes.

#### NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Swan will see to it that current and updated COVID 19 protocols are provided to the road superintendent and posted at the garage.

#### CORRESPONDENCE

A few phone calls and emails to trustees regarding leaf pickup were received. Keith Benjamin shared an email he received about road maintenance during a pandemic. Ms Hanna expressed gratitude to the road crew for timely tree debris removal that would have presented a plow hazard near the maintenance garage and noted, also, that a tree has been down at Phillips Park for a few weeks and needs assessed.

FINANCES

Resolution 2020-43 appropriating funds for the 2021 year was approved by a motion made by Keith Benjamin; 2<sup>nd</sup> Scott Swan. All three trustees voted yes. Payment of bills, warrants #25169 through 25183 including payment vouchers and totaling \$91,241.10 was approved by a motion made by Ann Hanna; 2<sup>nd</sup> Scott Swan. All three trustees voted yes.

At 7:45pm the meeting was adjourned by a motion made by Ann Hanna; 2<sup>nd</sup> Keith Benjamin. All three trustees voted yes.

DATE \_\_\_\_\_ Fiscal Officer \_\_\_\_\_

Chairman \_\_\_\_\_