

**FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MINUTES
ORGANIZATION MEETING
JANUARY 5, 2009**

Call to Order:

Supervisor Whipple volunteered to serve as Temporary Chairperson. Supervisor Brindle so moved, and Supervisor Latimer seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Temporary Chairman Whipple called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. Present were Supervisors Paul Overton, Eric Brindle and Nan Latimer. Supervisor Hughes was absent. Also present were Assistant Township Manager, Jeff Eastburn and Township Secretary, Sharon Norris. There were two members of the public in attendance.

Public Comment: No public comment.

Organization of the Board:

Temporary Chairman Whipple called for nominations for Chairman. Mr. Brindle moved to nominate Mr. Whipple as Chairman. Ms. Latimer seconded the motion. Temporary Chairman Whipple asked if there were any further nominations for Chairman. There being none, Temporary Chairman Whipple called for a vote on Mr. Whipple being elected as Chairman. The vote was unanimous.

Mr. Whipple called for nominations for Vice Chairman. Mr. Brindle moved to nominate Ms. Latimer as Vice Chairman. Mr. Whipple seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Reappointments:

Mr. Whipple moved to appoint Sharon Norris as Township Secretary for 2009, seconded by Mr. Overton. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Whipple moved to appoint Joan McVaugh as Township Treasurer for 2009, seconded by Ms. Latimer. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Whipple moved to appoint Lamb McErlane as Solicitor for the Township for 2009, seconded by Mr. Overton. Motion carried unanimously.

On motion by Mr. Whipple, seconded by Mr. Brindle, the following firms were appointed as Engineers and Consultants for Franklin Township for 2009:

- LTL as General Engineer
- URS Sanitary Engineer

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- Surender Kohli as General Engineer
- Tetrahedron Consultants, Inc as Hydrogeologist.
- McCormick Taylor as Traffic Engineer.
- Thomas Comitta and Associates as Planner
- Brandywine Conservancy as Planner
- Natural Lands Trust as Planner
- Ray Ott & Associates as Planner

Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Whipple moved to appoint LTL Consultants as Building Inspector/Zoning Officer, seconded by Ms. Latimer. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Whipple moved to appoint Barbacane Thornton as Auditor, seconded by Ms. Latimer. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Whipple moved to appoint Teddy Price to the Vacancy Board, seconded by Ms. Latimer. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Whipple moved to appoint Debbie Hinderer to the Zoning Hearing Board for a term to run through December 31, 2011 and Dave Francis as an alternate for a term to run through December 31, 2011. Motion seconded by Mr. Brindle. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Whipple moved to appoint Ralph Olivier to the Planning Commission through 12/31/12, seconded by Mr. Brindle. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Whipple moved to appoint Keith Herrington to the HARB through 12/31/13, seconded by Ms. Latimer. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Whipple moved to appoint Harold Walls to Emergency Management Coordinator through 12/31/09, seconded by Mr. Brindle. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Whipple moved to appoint Denis O'Flynn O'Brien to the UCC Appeal Board through 12/31/13, seconded by Ms. Latimer. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 2009-01 (Barbacane Thornton): Mr. Whipple moved to approve Resolution 2009-01 appointing Barbacane Thornton as auditors for the year 2009, seconded by Ms. Latimer. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 2009-02 (Act 170): This resolution authorizes the billing of developers and applicants for fees incurred by Township consultants. Mr. Whipple moved to approve Resolution 2009-02, seconded by Mr. Brindle. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 2009-03 (Fees and Salaries): Mr. Whipple moved to approve Resolution 2009-03, seconded by Mr. Brindle. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 2009-04 (Fire Hydrant Tax): Resolution 2009-04 references the fire hydrant tax of \$23.75/parcel. Mr. Whipple moved to approve Resolution 2009-04, seconded by Mr. Overton. Motion carried unanimously.

BOS Meeting Dates for 2009:

On motion by Mr. Whipple, seconded by Ms. Latimer, the 2009 meeting schedule setting Board meetings on the 2nd and 3rd Wednesday of each month beginning at 7:00 p.m., was approved for advertising. The only exception is moving the April 8th meeting to Tuesday April 7, 2009 to accommodate the Jewish Holiday of Passover. It was noted that the HARB and the Historical Commission are scheduled to meet on the 3rd Tuesday of January at which time their schedule for 2009 will be discussed and determined. It was also noted that the Planning Commission's first meeting of the year will likely be 2/5/09. All meeting dates for all Commissions and Committees will be advertised as appropriate. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Whipple moved, seconded by Ms. Latimer, to recognize the following dates as official paid holidays for the Township staff and authorized the Township office to be closed on those days:

- January 1 – New Years Day
- January 19 – Martin Luther King Day
- February 16 – President's Day
- April 10 – Good Friday
- May 25 – Memorial Day
- July 3 – Friday before Independence Day
- September 7 – Labor Day
- November 26 - Thanksgiving Day
- November 27 – Friday after Thanksgiving
- December 24 – Christmas Eve
- December 25 – Christmas Day

Motion carried unanimously.

Legal Advertisements and Financial Institutions:

On motion by Mr. Whipple, seconded by Mr. Brindle, the Board authorized the use of the Daily Local News, Chester County Press and the Avon Grove Sun for all legal advertising. Motion carried unanimously.

On motion by Mr. Whipple, seconded by Ms. Latimer, the Board authorized the use of National Penn Bank and the Pennsylvania Local Government

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Investment Trust (PLGIT) as designated financial institutions for Franklin Township. Motion carried unanimously.

On the guidance of the Township Solicitor, Mr. Whipple moved, seconded by Ms. Latimer that the Treasurer's Bond for 2009 be set at \$6,500,000. Motion carried unanimously.

PSATS Spring Conference:

On motion by Mr. Brindle, seconded by Mr. Overton, Mr. Whipple was nominated as the voting delegate at the PSATS 2009 Convention.

Motion carried unanimously.

New Business:

5 Hunting Hills Temporary Construction Easement: Mr. Whipple moved, seconded by Mr. Brindle, that the Board approve, and authorize the Chairperson to sign, a "Temporary Stormwater Construction Easement", as drafted by the Township Solicitor, for 5 Hunting Hills Drive. Motion carried unanimously.

Extension – Dolores Morris Property: Mr. Whipple moved, seconded by Mr. Overton, to accept the request for an extension on the Dolores Morris Property to July 22, 2009. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment: There was no public comment.

Adjournment:

Mr. Whipple moved, seconded by Mr. Overton, to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 pm. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Norris
Township Secretary

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