

**FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MINUTES
ORGANIZATION MEETING
JANUARY 4, 2010**

Call to Order:

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

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

Public Comment: No public comment.

Organization of the Board:

Temporary Chairman Whipple called for nominations for Chairman. Ms. Latimer moved to nominate Mr. Whipple as Chairman. Mr. Brindle seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

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

Reappointments:

Mr. Whipple moved to appoint Sharon Norris as Township Secretary for 2010, seconded by Mr. Hughes. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Whipple moved to appoint Joan McVaugh as Township Treasurer for 2010, seconded by Mr. Brindle. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Whipple moved to appoint Lamb McErlane as Solicitor for the Township for 2010, seconded by Mr. Hughes. 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 2010:

- LTL as General Engineer
- URS Sanitary Engineer
- Surender Kohli as General Engineer
- Tetrahedron Consultants, Inc as Hydrogeologist
- McCormick Taylor as Traffic Engineer
- Thomas Comitta and Associates as Planner

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- 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 Mr. Hughes. 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 Connie Chiasson to the Zoning Hearing Board for a term to run through December 31, 2012 and Nancy Chromey as an alternate for a term to run through December 31, 2012. Motion seconded by Mr. Hughes. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Whipple moved to appoint David Hoffman to the Planning Commission through 12/31/14 and Richard Squadron to the Planning Commission through 13/31/14, seconded by Mr. Brindle. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Whipple moved to appoint Harold Walls to Emergency Management Coordinator through 12/31/10, seconded by Mr. Brindle. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Whipple moved to appoint Ralph Olivier to the UCC Appeal Board through 12/31/14, seconded by Mr. Brindle. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 2010-01 (Barbacane Thornton): Mr. Whipple moved to approve Resolution 2010-01 appointing Barbacane Thornton as auditors for the year 2009, seconded by Mr. Brindle. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 2010-02 (Act 170): This resolution authorizes the billing of developers and applicants for fees incurred by Township consultants. Mr. Whipple moved to approve Resolution 2010-02, seconded by Mr. Brindle. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 2010-03 (Fees and Salaries): Mr. Whipple moved to approve Resolution 2010-03, seconded by Ms. Latimer. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 2010-04 (Fire Hydrant Tax): Resolution 2010-04 references the fire hydrant tax of \$34.17/parcel. Mr. Whipple moved to approve Resolution 2010-04, seconded by Ms. Latimer. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 2010-05 (Appointing and Ratifying Zoning Hearing Board Members): Mr. Whipple moved to approve Resolution 2010-05, seconded by Ms. Latimer. Motion carried unanimously.

BOS Meeting Dates for 2010:

On motion by Mr. Whipple, seconded by Ms. Latimer, the 2010 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 September 8th meeting to Thursday September 9, 2010 to accommodate the Jewish Holiday of Rosh Hashanah. It was noted that the HARB and the Historical Commission are scheduled to meet on the 1st Tuesday of each month. It was also noted that the Planning Commission is scheduled to meet on the 1st Thursday of each month and the Open Space Committee is scheduled to meet the 2nd Tuesday of the month. 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 18 – Martin Luther King Day
- February 15 – President’s Day
- April 2 – Good Friday
- May 31 – Memorial Day
- July 5 – Monday after Independence Day
- September 6 – Labor Day
- November 25 & 26 - Thanksgiving Holiday
- December 24 – Christmas Eve
- December 27 – Monday after Christmas

Motion carried unanimously.

Legal Advertisements and Financial Institutions:

On motion by Mr. Whipple, seconded by Mr. Hughes, 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.

Resolution 2010-06: On motion by Mr. Whipple, seconded by Ms. Latimer, the Board authorized the use of National Penn Bank, the Pennsylvania Local Government Investment Trust (PLGIT) and Wilmington Trust as designated financial institutions for Franklin Township and thereby authorized approval of Resolution 2010-06. Motion carried unanimously.

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Treasurer's Bond:

On the guidance of the Township Solicitor, Mr. Whipple moved, seconded by Mr. Brindle that the Treasurer's Bond for 2010 be set at \$4,500,000. Motion carried unanimously.

PSATS Spring Conference:

On motion by Mr. Brindle, seconded by Ms. Latimer, Mr. Whipple was nominated as the voting delegate at the PSATS 2010 Convention. Motion carried unanimously.

New Business: There was no new business.

Public Comment: There was no public comment.

Adjournment: Mr. Whipple moved, seconded by Ms. Latimer, to adjourn the meeting at 7:23 pm. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Norris
Township Secretary

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