

**Freedom Township Board of Supervisors
Regular Meeting
June 14, 2023
7:00 P.M.**

Board of Supervisors

Matt Young, Chairperson
Paul Kellett, Vice-Chairperson
Brett Johnston

Township Officials

Zach Gulden, Township Manager
Linus Fenicle, Township Solicitor
Mike Wenschhof, Road Superintendent
Sherri Hansen, Liberty Twp. Police Chief

Members of the Public Present

Ed Buchheit, Mary Buchheit, & Roger Johnson

Call to Order

Chair Young called the Board of Supervisor's Meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

Amend Agenda

Chair Young made a **MOTION** to amend the agenda to include "consider requesting farm crossing signs at 3256 & 3283 Emmitsburg Road through PennDOT." The **MOTION** was **SECONDED** by Vice-Chair Kellett. No public comments were received. The motion carried unanimously (3-0).

Public Comment

None

Approval of Minutes

Vice-Chair Kellett made a **MOTION** to approve the Minutes of the May 10, 2023, regular meeting with one correction: change the month at the top of the minutes from March to May. The **MOTION** was **SECONDED** by Mr. Johnston. The motion carried unanimously (3-0).

Monthly Expenses

Vice-Chair Kellett made a **MOTION** to approve the bills in the amount of \$20,833.09 from the General Fund, \$45,418.83 from the COVID-19 Account, & \$706.60 from the Escrow Account. The **MOTION** was **SECONDED** by Chair Young. The motion carried unanimously (3-0).

Manager & Road Reports

The Manager completed the following tasks in May:

- Misc. website updates and phone calls.
- Attended the Planning Commission meeting and processed pre/post meeting materials.
- Planning Commission meeting minutes.
- 1x bank deposit.
- 5/10 Supervisor meeting minutes.
- Processed 5x stormwater management operations & maintenance agreements.
- Mailed 2x well completion reports with educational materials per code.
- Sent 1x code violation letter – 35 Harper's Hill Lane.
- Started Adams County grant application for park phase 2.
- Highway occupancy permit awareness letter for driveway permit application.
- Highway occupancy permit awareness letter for Tour de Frederick bicycle event to be held on June 10.

The Public Works Department completed the following tasks in May:

- Road mowing, weed trimming, brush cutting, rock and trash pickup along roadways.
- Mowing, trimming, and clean-up of Township lot.
- Took the F-550 to Crouse Ford for 5,000-mile service.
- Set up and take down voting equipment for election day.
- Return PA 1 calls.

Public Works Employee	Hours Worked
Mike Wenschhof	147
Herb Milligan	00

Vice-Chair Kellett made a **MOTION** to approve May's Road Report as submitted. The **MOTION** was **SECONDED** by Mr. Johnston. The motion carried unanimously (3-0).

EMS, Fire, & Police Reports

Adams Regional Emergency Medical Service (AREMS) had two calls in Freedom Township in May.

Mr. Buchheit presented the fire report. Greenmount Fire Department had four calls in the month of May:

- 1x motor vehicle accident.
- 3x structure fires.

Ms. Hansen presented the police report. Liberty Township Police worked 25 hours in the month of May. There were zero 911 calls, 32 traffic citations, 15 written warnings, one misdemeanor arrest (DUI), and zero non-traffic citations. They are continuing to run speed and

write citations on Bullfrog Road and Emmitsburg Road. Their new police car is currently being upfitted. Sgt. Roosen made one DUI arrest.

Old Business

- A. Consider awarding New Enterprise Stone & Lime Co., Inc. a contract in the amount of \$83,150.00 for McGlaughlin Road paving work.**

Vice-Chair Kellett made a **MOTION** to award a contract in the amount of \$83,150.00 to New Enterprise Stone & Lime Co., Inc. for McGlaughlin Road paving work. The **MOTION** was **SECONDED** by Mr. Johnston. The motion carried unanimously (3-0).

- B. Consider approval of Ordinance 2023-02, burn ban authorization.**

Vice-Chair Kellett made a **MOTION** to approve Ordinance 2023-02. The **MOTION** was **SECONDED** by Chair Young. The motion carried unanimously (3-0).

Chair Young declared a burn ban in Freedom Township in accordance with Ordinance 2023-02. Mr. Gulden stated that he will notify the County 911 center. Mr. Buchheit stated that he will notify the Greenmount Fire Department Chief.

New Business

- A. Consider requesting farm crossing signs at 3256 & 3283 Emmitsburg Road through PennDOT.**

Mr. Young stated that he is requesting farm crossing signs at his farm on Emmitsburg Road. His farm is dissected by Emmitsburg Road; therefore, he frequently drives equipment over the road. He is concerned that there will be a vehicle wreck due to excessive speeders on Emmitsburg Road. PennDOT requires a letter from the municipality to consider adding the signs.

Vice-Chair Kellett made a **MOTION** request farm crossing signs from PennDOT at 3256 & 3283 Emmitsburg Road. The **MOTION** was **SECONDED** by Mr. Johnston. The motion carried (2-0-1). Chair Young abstained.

- B. Consider approval of garage addition change order #1 in the amount of \$1,919.28 – PMCA building permit & inspection fees.**

Vice-Chair Kellett made a **MOTION** to approve the garage addition change order #1 in the amount of \$1,919.28. The **MOTION** was **SECONDED** by Mr. Johnston. The motion carried unanimously (3-0).

C. Consider approval of a Stormwater Management (SWM) Operations & Maintenance (O&M) agreement with David & Cynthia Salisbury of 370 Scott Road, Gettysburg, PA 17325.

Vice-Chair Kellett made a **MOTION** to approve a SWM O&M agreement with David & Cynthia Salisbury of 370 Scott Road, Gettysburg, PA 17325. The **MOTION** was **SECONDED** by Mr. Johnston. The motion carried unanimously (3-0).

D. Consider approval of a SWM O&M agreement with Ricky Traill of 950 Middle Creek Road, Fairfield, PA 17320.

Vice-Chair Kellett made a **MOTION** to approve a SWM O&M agreement with Ricky Traill of 950 Middle Creek Road, Fairfield, PA 17320. The **MOTION** was **SECONDED** by Mr. Johnston. The motion carried unanimously (3-0).

E. Consider approval of a SWM O&M agreement with Tyler & Jennifer Wivell of 904 Middle Creek Road, Fairfield, PA 17320.

Vice-Chair Kellett made a **MOTION** to approve a SWM O&M agreement with 904 Middle Creek Road, Fairfield, PA 17320. The **MOTION** was **SECONDED** by Mr. Johnston. The motion carried unanimously (3-0).

F. Consider approval of Resolution 2023-02, which would authorize the Township Manager to apply for an Adams County Parks, Recreation, and Greenspace Grant in the amount of \$25,000.00. This amount would help fund Phase 2 of the Freedom Township Municipal Park.

Vice-Chair Kellett made a **MOTION** to approve Resolution 2023-02 with one condition:

1. The grant shall be returned to the County if the Township is not awarded a Pennsylvania Department of Conservation & Natural Resources matching grant.

The **MOTION** was **SECONDED** by Mr. Johnston. The motion carried (2-1). Chair Young voted nay.

Other Business

None

Public Comment

None

Adjournment

There being no further business, Vice-Chair Kellett made a **MOTION** to adjourn. The **MOTION** was **SECONDED** by Chair Young. Chair Young adjourned the meeting at 7:22 P.M.