

April 4, 2023

The Franklin Township Regular Monthly Meeting was held on April 4, 2023 in the township building. Present at the meeting were Chairperson Lee Burch and Supervisors Phil DePue and Mark Creamer, the Secretary/Treasurer, Jeanne Sullivan, and the people on the attached sign-in list. Lee called the meeting to order at 7:04PM. The pledge to the flag was recited.

Lee asked if there were any questions about the minutes from the last meeting. Mark made a motion to accept the minutes. Phil seconded the motion. The motion was passed. Lee asked if there were any questions about the treasurer report. Phil made a motion to accept the report. Mark seconded the motion. The report was passed.

Representatives from Salt Springs State Park were in attendance. They asked for ideas to make the park more useable for the residents.

Correspondence:

Coterra sent a notice of a proposed well pad in Bridgewater Township.

The Montrose Minutemen sent information about their Fund Drive 2023. Mark made a motion to donate the same about as last year. Phil seconded the motion. The motion passed.

The Office of Susquehanna County Board of Assessment Revision sent the Certified Assessment Values for 2023. The total valuation Real Estate is \$17,073,939. County RE General is \$179,276.36. The Co. Libraries is \$5634.72.

The Newsletter of the Friends of Salt Springs Park was received.

PSATS sent a letter containing the 2023 Proposed PSATS Bylaws Changes including the 2024 proposed dues increases. Our township's current dues are \$295 per year. The with increase the amount would be \$303.

The Auditor General sent a letter by certified mail about the Snake Creek Fire Company. The reason for the letter stated "Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of the Auditor General v. Snake Creek Volunteer Firemen's Relief Association (Susquehanna County) Notice of Withholding State Aide and ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE Docket No. 2023-01.

8-1-1 sent a reminder about calling before digging.

PSATS sent the Annual Audit from Nationwide.

Susquehanna County Treasury and Tax Claim sent a letter certifying Bobbie Jo Kelsey, Tax Collector, has made her returns in full for real estate taxes.

Roadmaster Report

- 1 Snowplowing over, we hope, but we remember last year, April 19. We got 20" !!!
Plows are still in ready mode.

- 2 We have patched pot holes, especially on Lake Roy Road.
- 3 Waiting for weather to do some major work on Ebbs. Adam Wilber is paying for all including trucking material.
- 4 Some exciting news on dust control. We are trying a new tar like material. We will grade and shape up a road. Then Midland will come in at night and spray our road and no one should travel it for one hour. It is supposed to be dust free for the summer and stop road material loss. We will post on our website when we are going to spray.
- 5 We plan on filling our cinder shed next week.
- 6 Big thanks to Carolyn and Bill White for the kind words on our roads via social media.

New Business:

Mark and Lee had a meeting with Columbia Hose and United fire companies. The fire companies are redistricting.

Lee will take the fire contracts to the township's attorney for approval.

Resolution # 2023-7 was signed by the supervisors allowing Columbia Hose Company to bill for and collect payment from any insurance company, including but not limited to motor vehicle insurance and homeowner's insurance for any services it renders, including those in response to said emergencies.

Resolution # 2023-8 was also signed by the supervisors allowing United Fire Company to bill for and collect payment from any insurance company, including but not limited to motor vehicle insurance and homeowner's insurance for any services it renders, including those in response to said emergencies.

The supervisors agreed that a retainer of \$1000 be mailed to the township's attorney.

Phil made a motion to buy a piece of equipment for mow trimming, etc. for \$170,000. Mark seconded the motion. The motion passed with Mark and Phil voting yes and Lee voting no.

The supervisors the necessity of trimming and removing dead trees near the roads as a public safety issue, and to put the project out to bid. Mark made a motion. Lee seconded the motion. The motion passed with 3 yes votes.

There is a correction in the March 7th Minutes. Mirabito Fuel did not get the bid for propane. The Township will be getting propane from Lenox Propane.

Lee adjourned the meeting at 8:17 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeanne Sullivan

Secretary/Treasurer

Treasurer's Report

General	182,633.67
State Fund	256,162.17
Operational Reserve	1,489.32
Capital Reserve Impact	171,984.67
Equipment	21,993.08
Fire	7,887.72
Dirt and Gravel	105.24
Payroll	14,429.52
Small Cap	1,279.20
FEMA	869,348.55
Buy Out	130,017.91

General Checking

10803	Lenox Propane	488.84
10804	Weekly Group	168.56
10805	New Milford Hardware	26.95
10806	J and J Springs	20.00
10807	Bower Electric	190.00
10808	Erie Insurance	6992.00
10809	Void	--
10810	Erie Insurance	675.00
10811	Erie Insurance	4942.00
10812	Erie Insurance	2843.00
10813	Olivia Zawiski	60.00
10814	Franklin Twp Small Cap	1050.03
10815	Michael Giangrieco	1000.00
10816	Void	--
10817	Void	--
10818	Montrose Minute Men	100.00
10819	Angelo Ventresca	97.00
10820	John Bonham	330.00
10821	Mirabito	478.49
10822	Spectrum	113.54
10823	NEIC	115.50
10824	Montrose Auto Parts	8.08
10825	Waste Management	177.54
10826	Penelec	273.12
10827	Highmark	1050.03

Deposits:

4/06 34,254.95

State

2773	Mirabito	1488.73
2774	Binghamton Truck and Tire	843.00

2775	Tifco	345.76
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CR Impact

1161	New Milford Township	170,000.00

Small Cap 4/6	Paypal	17.42
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Deposit:

4/06 1,050.03

Fire

Deposit:

4/06 6,988.21

Equipment

4/06 4,567.35

Payroll

4/07	Payroll	1,214.94
4/14	IRS	2,320.19
4/14	PA State	296.39
4/14	Payroll	3,525.87
4/14	10202	139.49
4/15	Service	2.00
4/21	Payroll	1,215.72
4/28	Payroll	708.09