Freedom Township Board of Supervisors Regular Meeting February 10, 2021 7:00 P.M.

Board of Supervisors

Allen Beckett, Chairperson Paul Kellett, Vice-Chairperson Matt Young

Township Officials Present

Zach Gulden, Township Manager Linus Fenicle, Township Solicitor (via phone) Sherri Hansen, Liberty Township Police Chief

Members of the Public Present

Mary Buchheit, Ed Buchheit, Daniel Ohler, & John Sica

Call to Order

Chair Beckett called the Board of Supervisor's Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Public Comment

None

Approval of Minutes

Chair Beckett made a **MOTION** to approve the Minutes of the January 4, 2021 reorganization meeting. The **MOTION** was **SECONDED** by Vice-Chair Kellett. The motion carried unanimously (3-0).

Chair Beckett made a **MOTION** to approve the Minutes of the January 4, 2021 regular meeting. The **MOTION** was **SECONDED** by Mr. Young. The motion carried unanimously (3-0).

Monthly Expenses

Vice-Chair Kellett made a **MOTION** to approve the bills in the amount of \$34,173.57 from the General Fund & \$192.60 from the Escrow Fund. The **MOTION** was **SECONDED** by Chair Beckett. The motion carried unanimously (3-0).

Chair Beckett made a **MOTION** to transfer \$23,000.00 from the General Fund to the Capital Reserve Fund. The **MOTION** was **SECONDED** by Vice-Chair Kellett. The motion carried unanimously (3-0).

Road Report

The road crew completed the following tasks in January:

- Check roads, clear debris and leaves from roads and side gutters, brush cutting, trash pick-up, return PA 1 calls.
- Misc. prep for storms. Plow, salt, and anti-skid roads.
- Took down dead tree along road at township lot and clean-up.
- Fill in potholes on Rohrbaugh, Gordon, and Waterworks Road.
- Keiser's replaced 1 U-Joint on Dodge truck. Quality Tire replaced both front tires on Dodge truck. Chemung Supply delivered 2 plow edges for International truck.

Road Crew Employee	Hours Worked
Mike Wenschhof	90
Ed Wenschhof	19

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

EMS, Fire, & Police Reports

Adams Regional Emergency Medical Service (AREMS) had 3 calls for the month of December 2020 and a total of 36 for 2020 in Freedom Township.

The Greenmount Fire Department had a total of 13 calls in January: 5 residential structure fires, 2 commercial fires, 1 barn fire, 2 requests for fire police, 1 medical assist, 1 inside investigation, & 1 inside gas leak. 2 of the calls were in Freedom Township, 4 were in Frederick County MD, 1 was in Carroll County MD, 2 were in Cumberland Township, 1 was in Liberty Township, 1 was in Carroll Valley Borough, 1 was in Gettysburg Borough, and 1 was in Hamiltonban Township.

Liberty Township Police worked a total of 25 hours in January 2021. They responded to two 911 calls and issued 36 traffic citations and 7 written warnings. They focused on several different areas where there have been complaints of speeding and other traffic violations. They also made periodic checks at Sachs Covered Bridge. Officers made numerous contacts with residents who provided some feedback regarding enforcement issues and their presence in the Township. Feedback was very positive.

Old Business

A. Approval of entering into a contract with YSM Landscape Architects, in the amount not to exceed \$14,338.00, to be the Design Consultant for Phase 1 of the Freedom Township Municipal Park for consideration.

Mr. Gulden stated this position is required by the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation & Natural Resource's grant, and it is fully grant funded.

Vice-Chair Kellett made a **MOTION** to approve the contract with YSM Landscape Architects in the amount not to exceed \$14,338.00. The **MOTION** was **SECONDED** by Chair Beckett. The motion carried (2-1). Mr. Young voted nay.

B. Zoning ordinance amendment to Section 1302.SS. for consideration.

The Board agreed to include the proposed changes to the zoning ordinance in the codification project revisions in order to save taxpayer dollars.

C. Approval of purchasing a 2022 F-550 4x4 with EM Kutz uplift, in the amount of \$97,215.00, for consideration.

Mr. Gulden stated the Township received a Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection "PA Driving Forward Grant" for \$56,000.00 and \$41,215.00 will come from the Capital Reserve Fund.

Chair Beckett made a **MOTION** to approve the purchase of a 2022 F-550 4x4 with EM Kutz uplift in the amount of \$97,215.00 from Hondru Ford. The **MOTION** was **SECONDED** by Mr. Young. The motion carried unanimously (3-0).

D. Approval of the Alan D Trider Revocable Trust Dated June 23, 2005 stipulation & settlement and authorize Township Attorney to sign settlement documents.

Chair Beckett made a **MOTION** to approve the Alan D Trider Revocable Trust Dated June 23, 2005 stipulation and settlement and authorize Township Attorney to sign settlement documents. The **MOTION** was **SECONDED** by Vice-Chair Kellett. The motion carried unanimously (3-0).

New Business

None

Other Business

None

Staff Reports

Mr. Gulden stated that the Township has received an Adams County Parks, Recreation, and Green Space Grant in the amount of \$25,000.00 for Phase 1 of the Freedom Township Municipal Park.

Public Comment

None

Adjournment

There being no further business Chair Beckett made a **MOTION** to adjourn. The Motion was **SECONDED** by Vice-Chair Kellett. Chair Beckett adjourned the meeting at 7:23 p.m.