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Twp. Comm. Work Session  
Thursday, October 12, 2017

**MINUTES**  
**FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE**  
**WORK SESSION**  
**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2017**  
**7:30 P.M.**

The Franklin Township Committee held a work session at **7:30 P.M., Thursday, October 12, 2017** at the Municipal Building. This meeting has been properly noticed in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act.

Mayor Kathryn Blew called the meeting to order and led the flag salute.

Roll Call: Diane Burgess ABSENT Craig Repmann PRESENT Susan Soloway PRESENT

Joseph Darocha PRESENT Kathryn Blew PRESENT

Also present: Katrina L. Campbell, Municipal Attorney

Some others present in the public: Lt. Timothy Snyder, Sgt. John Oliveira

**Comments from the public:** None

**Consent Agenda**

All matters listed under the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine by the Township Committee and will be enacted by one motion in the form listed below. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.

Motion to Adopt all items listed under the Consent Agenda.

Moved Darocha Second Repmann

a. Approval of Bills for Payment

Current Fund Expenditures	\$93,207.93
Fair Housing	\$ 710.50
Capital Improvement Fund	\$ 342.30
Grant Fund	\$ 1,701.89
Dog Regulation Account	\$ 50.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$96,012.62</b>

- b. Approval of minutes: September 28, 2017 Regular Meeting & Executive Session, October 10, 2017 Special Meeting & Executive Session
- c. Adoption of Resolution 2017 – 69 Establish Halloween Curfew
- d. Adoption of Resolution 2017 – 70 Tax Sale Redemption of Lienholder Block 48 Lot 2

Roll Call Vote: Burgess ABSENT Repmann AYE with abstention on Ck # 2003 \$1,701.89

Soloway AYE Darocha AYE Blew AYE

Motion carried.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

**ORDINANCE 2017 – 08**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF FRANKLIN AUTHORIZING THE LEASE FOR HUNTING PURPOSES OF CERTAIN PROPERTY OWNED BY THE TOWNSHIP AND NOT REQUIRED FOR PUBLIC PURPOSES**

Motion to open the public hearing on Ordinance 2017 – 08.

Moved Soloway Second Repmann All present in favor. Motion carried.

Comments from the public: None

Motion to close the public hearing on Ordinance 2017 – 08.

Moved Soloway Second Repmann All present in favor. Motion carried.

Motion to Adopt Ordinance 2017 – 08.

Moved Soloway Second Repmann

Comments/Discussion by the Committee: None

Roll Call Vote: Burgess ABSENT Repmann AYE Soloway AYE Darocha AYE Blew AYE

Motion carried.

**Department Head/Subcommittee Reports**

- **Finance, Administration, Insurance, HR/Benefits: Soloway & Burgess**

No report

- **Public Safety (PD, Fire, EMS, OEM, Court, Health): Darocha & Blew**

Lt. Timothy Snyder gave his monthly report for September, 2017 which included but is not limited to investigations, adult and juvenile arrests, motor vehicle warnings and summonses, motor vehicle accidents, alarm responses, assist fire the rescue, property checks, service calls. There was some discussion about cars passing school buses, Pittstown Road and Rt. 579. Lt. Snyder said he put out an order for police presence at this location. The Mayor commented on seeing something on Facebook

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regarding a stranger in a vehicle approaching a student at the bus stop at Duke's . According to article the police were contacted; however, Lt. Snyder said there is no record in his department. He will check with the Perryville Station. There was some discussion about security cameras at some facilities in the area but none monitor the bus stop area. It was suggested that an article on stranger/danger be included in the next newsletter for publication in December.

- **Department of Public Works: Repmann & Darocha**

There is one item for discussion in executive session: litigation with Mid American Salt, LLC vs. Franklin Township, et als.

- **Land Use (Land Use Board, Open Space, Planning, Zoning, Construction, Environmental): Burgess & Soloway**

Motion to accept with regret the resignation of Robert Michisk from the Agriculture Advisory Committee effective October 4, 2017.

Moved Soloway    Second Darocha                          All present in favor. Motion carried.

There was some discussion regarding possibly extending the November 8 deadline for the cell tower bid proposal. It was decided it was not necessary.

- **Community, Business, School, Recreation, Seniors: Repmann & Blew**

Committee Member Repmann reported on Recreation's basketball starting soon. Trunk or Treat is scheduled for Friday, October 27<sup>th</sup>.

**BOARD OF HEALTH** – No need for a meeting this evenin.

**Comments from the public:** None

Comments from the Committee, non-agenda items and any other business to come before the Committee: None

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Motion to enter into executive session for discussion of matters pertaining to personnel, litigation with the Morris County Coop salt contract, and affordable housing litigation. Formal action is anticipated upon return to open session.

Moved Soloway    Second Repmann

Roll Call Vote: Burgess ABSENT Repmann AYE Soloway AYE Darocha AYE Blew AYE

Motion carried.

**RETURN TO OPEN SESSION**

Motion to return to open session at 8:12 P.M. for formal action to be taken.

Moved Repmann    Second Soloway                          All present in favor. Motion carried.

Motion to authorize the Mayor and/or Deputy Mayor to sign the **COAH settlement agreement**.

Moved Soloway    Second Darocha

Roll Call Vote: Burgess ABSENT Repmann AYE Soloway AYE Darocha AYE Blew AYE

Motion carried.

Motion to authorize the Municipal Attorney to settle the **Mid American Salt litigation** as discussed in executive session.

Moved

Roll Call Vote: Burgess ABSENT Repmann AYE Soloway AYE Darocha AYE Blew AYE

Motion carried.

Motion to authorize the Mayor and/or Deputy Mayor to sign the **settlement agreement for personnel** matter as discussed in executive session.

Moved Soloway    Second Repmann

Roll Call Vote: Burgess ABSENT Repmann AYE Soloway AYE Darocha AYE Blew AYE

Motion carried.

Motion to hire Steven Beam from Class II Special to full time officer effective November 1, 2017. Officer Beam will be sworn in at the Township Committee meeting, Thursday, October 26, 2017.

Moved Darocha    Second Soloway

Roll Call Vote: Burgess ABSENT Repmann AYE Soloway AYE Darocha AYE Blew AYE

Motion carried.

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Motion to **Adopt Resolution 2017 – 67** Snow & Ice Control County Cooperative Pricing.

Moved Soloway

Second Darocha

Roll Call Vote: Burgess ABSENT Repmann AYE Soloway AYE Darocha AYE Blew AYE

Motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to adjourn at 8:20 P.M.

Moved Soloway

Second Darocha

All present in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Ursula V. Stryker, RMC  
Municipal Clerk

**DATE OF ADOPTION:** 10-26-2017