

# FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP

## REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

June 4, 2018

**At 7:00 p.m.** Chairman William McMullen called this June 4, 2018 Regular Monthly Meeting to order and asked all to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance. Board Members present were; Mike Barfknecht, Stephanie Russek and Renee Olson. John Czanstkowski is absent

**Motion** to approve the May 7, 2018 Regular Meeting Minutes Barfknecht/McMullen M/S/C Unanimous.

**Motion** to approve the May 8, 2018 Road Tour Meeting Minutes Barfknecht/McMullen M/S/C Unanimous.

### NEW BUSINESS

**Joe White Ram Buildings** Joe White is present this evening to request a CUP for mining at the Delano Sportsman's Club. Nothing has changed with the application since last month when he was in front of the Township. White has met with the County and turned in his application. White has also been able to look into issues from 2004 when another contractor was looking at this land. White states that the contractor at that time had issues in the County with other sites and did not review all flood plain information with the County. They were planning to fill in the flood plain, RAM is not; they are mining. White states they will proceed with the same proposal, to mine in the first area and that will then turn into the stock pile area. This is the crushing activities that will last 6-8 weeks. After that they will be working with the sand and the sound will be much less. At the elevation they will be working, they will not really be seen from the road. McMullen asks for worst case and best-case scenarios on time. White states best is 5 years and worse is 10 years. Joe will meet with Wright County Planning and Zoning June 28<sup>th</sup> and then the commissioners after that. McMullen states that this CUP is a County decision. The County asks us our opinion and they respect our opinion, but at the end of the day it is a County decision. McMullen urges anyone that has real interest in this to go to the County meeting June 28<sup>th</sup>. Resident Wally Johnson agrees with White about the contractor issue in 2004. But, Johnson still has great concern with the flooding. Johnson would like to get 2 references from White for his mining activity. White states that RAM is a very qualified company. White has opened 4 gravel pits just this summer; he has covered his bases with Wright County and the DNR, has his bonding in place and will gladly give Johnson the references he is asking for. White reiterates that in terms of flooding, he is creating an additional 10 feet of capacity, which means he is minimizing the flooding. White states that a MPDS Permit is required, which is above a Wright County permit and it is all about erosion and preventing erosion. These permits can be inspected anytime. White explains that RAM does not crush the materials, they just mine them. Someone else will come in to crush. Johnson asks about a performance bond and White said they are mandated to get that bond. They have even offered more than what they believe will be required. They will be restoring the area as they work and will never have a pit wide open.

John Tackaberry believes that Johnson should be working through the Delano Sportsmen's Club, not Joe White. If he wants references he should call the President of the Center. Delaney says he will supply whatever is needed. Resident Milo Durbin thinks this is a great idea. Whatever the County says will have to be followed or they will not be allowed to proceed. McMullen states that the draft proposal had trucks exiting east toward County Line Road or Rockford and we would like to see it stay that way. White says the only exception to that would be if there was local work to be done. **Motion** to accept RAM's CUP request upon the condition the truck traffic is not on township roads except local work and that all Wright County and DNR requirements are followed McMullen/Barfknecht MSC Unanimous.

**57<sup>th</sup> Street & Fenning Ave Crack Seal Quotes**—4 quotes have been received for approximately 1 mile of work from; Astech for \$2,322, Bargaen Inc \$4,074, Gopher State \$2,457 and MN Roadways \$2,710. Astech \$2,322 is the lowest bid **Motion** to accept the low-cost bid from Astech for the Crack Seal work in the Township McMullen/Barfknecht M/S/C Unanimous.

**Darrow Avenue Culvert Quotes** are tabled to the next meeting

**Granite Budget and Projects for the year** McMullen states for volume, as of today, we are at 10,000 and have one more day to finish up. McMullen recommends we stop this year to do our best to stay in budget. There still may be an emergency that comes up, but for planned projects, we are complete. Projects for next year will include 107<sup>th</sup>, 117<sup>th</sup>, 118<sup>th</sup> and a portion of Ahern unless nature forces our hand. Neumann asks if they are direct dumping the granite on the road and the answer is yes. The granite project is going better this year than last, according to our maintenance employees.

**Otta Seal Test Project** We have received 2 quotes; one from Allied that came in at \$5.16/sq. yard with 45 lbs. per lift and the second from Astech, which is \$5.14/sq. yard and 35 lbs. of aggregate per lift. Allied has 2 separate times, a couple months apart noted for putting in the lifts, Astech has quoted 2 lifts, but has said they would do the lifts in the same day. Barfknecht has met with both companies and states that Astech will put our granite through their machine and Allied wants to supply the gravel, because our granite is too large for their machine. Barfknecht feels Astech is the company to go with based on experience and using our granite, McMullen disagrees. McMullen feels more comfortable in the traditional fashion Allied has quoted with the 2 lifts being spaced apart. That is what we have been educated with and told works best. Resident Atkinson asks what the tie is to our granite. Barfknecht states that the granite will have everything we want, crushed rock, not round rock. We know that the granite binds and sticks together. McMullen would like to go out on a limb and choose Allied. He feels it is more economical, puts more aggregate on the road and follows what we have been told works best in terms of lifts. After discussion, **Motion** to accept the Allied Blacktop bid and start the project immediately McMullen/Barfknecht MSC Unanimous. **Motion** to accept the homeowner's association donation of \$20,004.00 to help with the funding of this test project. McMullen/Barfknecht M/S/C Unanimous McMullen thanks the donors and suggests this as perhaps setting precedence for the future.

**40<sup>th</sup> Street** Russek reports that we did not get grant. She has spoken only with Mr. Sobania's assistant Karen. Once he is back from vacation, Russek will contact Mr. Sobania and speak with him about the grant application and see what in the future we could include to increase our potential to be chosen. We will apply again this year. The deadline is November 1, 2018. The board agrees that due to the amount of work we did last year and the current condition of the road, we will not plan any significant work on that road this year.

**AWAIR inspection of the workplace** tabled to next month

**Standardization of Election Equipment agreement with Wright County** Wright County has purchased all of the election equipment and is charging an annual fee, per machine to each municipality. **Motion** to enter into the election equipment agreement with Wright County McMullen/Barfknecht M/S/C Unanimous.

**Sportsman's Club Noise Assessment** Was received from Sean Riley at Wright County. McMullen believes this is more of a desk research statement through google maps, saying yes, it is possible to create the new ranges without going over the statutory noise limits. John Metz asks how things would be retested and McMullen says it is up to the County to set those guidelines. Wally Johnson asks if this report satisfies the motion from the Township made at a past meeting, in regards to noise. McMullen says it does not satisfy all the specifics, but it does show that with proper action, it can be reached. McMullen says he defers to the County to follow the Township, County and State requirements for this project. Wally Johnson requests and is given a copy of the Noise Assessment.

**Motion** that because they have fulfilled their election judge training requirement to approve; Allen Czanstkowski, Deborah Hagen, Renee Olson, Stephanie Russek, Renata Russek, Rob Kremer, Tom McKay, Mary Ann McKay, Vicki Burlett, Theresa Murphy, David Sell, Shelley Steinberg, Gary Threlkeld, Douglas Dietrick, William Horsch, Mathias Jordan, Janet Klein, Kristin McCullough, Adam Motzko, Kathleen Motzko, Richard Paskach, Susan Roskowiak, John Tackaberry, Darin Orr, Cindy Orr, Geri Hagelin and Angie Vlaminck as election judges for the August 14, 2018 State Primary Election McMullen/Barfknecht MSC Unanimous

### **OLD BUSINESS**

**Delegated Board Responsibilities McMullen** did apply for \$5000 in Opera funding piggybacking on a program only available to the County. The funding will be for calendar year 2019. We will wait and see what happens. **Russek** spoke with Shane Nelson regarding the timing of the Meridian Ave Bridge Project. There is a preconstruction meeting tentatively planned for June 7<sup>th</sup>. McMullen will plan to attend that meeting. When Nelson is in the area, he will also look at the scour plan suggested for the ½ way bridge and report back//Russek also attended an on-site meeting at Jason Griep's home, along with Big Woods representatives and Sean Riley from Wright County. After discussion about water flow and projects that have changed the waterflow, a decision was made for Griep to work with Big Woods President Lauren Hoen to come up with a plan that will be acceptable to all. Russek expects to see a preliminary description of the plan before the end of June.

## OTHER

**95th Street hole on shoulder and street sweeper** McMullen has looked at this area and notes that the hole in question is actually on the County Road. McMullen will check with the County and see what kind of maintenance they do. As far as street sweeping, the township does not offer any street sweeping.

**9333 Ehler Avenue** Clerk Russek has been contacted by a realtor inquiring about the potential of a future road and an internet question for this property. Matt Daly, owner of this property is present tonight first to discuss highspeed internet. This home is located in the Boulder Woods development. Internet speed in that area is up to 5 Megs, max. Daly informs the board of a company in Dassel called Xtratyme, which offers high speed internet over quasi cell towers. They say they can get 150 Megs in the Boulder Woods neighborhood and distribute 100 Megs per home in the area. They can serve 2500 square miles. He is spearheading this relationship with the neighborhood and having discussions with Xtratyme. DeWayne Bauman asks if they are affiliated with Broadband Anywhere. Daly states they would be competitors to Xtratyme. Daly states that in the past, Wright County has deferred to the townships regarding towers. He would like to bring Xtratyme to the next Township meeting for more information. McMullen asks about costs for this service and Daly believes it to be \$50 to \$100 per month. The board agrees to place Xtratyme on the agenda for July. In regard to the question about a future road McMullen reviews the maps that have been provided of the property. He believes the only way we see any change is if the northerly neighbor puts in a PUD then the two roads would connect. It is currently a maintained dirt road utility easement and the Township has no intention of developing that road at this time or the near future.

**Carver County 2040 Comprehensive plan** McMullen will review on line and follow up with the board next month

**Fuel Contract Motion** to accept Beaudry Oils fuel lock in agreement at \$2.579 per gallon McMullen/Barfknecht M/S/C Unanimous.

**Frontier Communications Township Complaint** has been filed

**City of Independence Response from Road Tour** They will take care of the road maintenance and dust control for the resident off of County Line Road and 90<sup>th</sup>, per Larry and Brian conversation.

**Road Tour Assignments Motion** to accept the road tour assignments as listed on the road log McMullen/Barfknecht M/S/C Unanimous

**Meridian Ave Contract has been received**

**MAT Membership cards** for the upcoming year are handed out

**Phone Call regarding property on 44<sup>th</sup> Street.** A resident called in and said the home at 5260 44<sup>th</sup> Street has a for sale sign and no one is living in it. The lawn has not been maintained. She has called the realtor but has not received a call back. The board discusses that this is not an area we would get involved in. Russek will return the residents call.

## OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Resident Neumann asks if road counts are planned for this season. McMullen states that we just started this week and will count each of the top 10 roads for one week.

Resident question about dust control, McMullen responds that June 25 is when they will start dust controlling. Bauman says 72<sup>nd</sup> no dust control needed, it is dark—McMullen will note it. He plans to ride with dust control truck this year

Residents in attendance state they have changed garbage service from Randy's to Mumford's and saving about \$100 per year.

**Motion** was made to approve claims #14875 through #14888 total amount claimed \$11,208.13 dated 5-2-2018, to approve claims #14889 through claims #14902 including Delano Municipal Utility ACH total amount claimed \$32,051.35 dated 5-16-2018 and finally to approve claims #14903 through #14919 total amount claimed \$131,100.82 dated 5-30-2018 McMullen/Barfknecht M/S/C Unanimous.

At 8:54 p.m. **Motion** to adjourn this June 4, 2018 Regular Meeting Barfknecht/McMullen M/S/C Unanimous.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Stephanie Russek, Clerk/Treasurer

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William McMullen, Board Chair

