

The regular Township meeting was held on August 1, 2023, at 7:00 PM. It was called to order and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### Roll Call of Officers

Supervisors, George Henry, James Callahan, Kenneth Wertz were present. Sec-Treasurer Beverly Henderson, Engineer Thomas Levine, and Assistant Sec. Robbin Grove were present. Solicitor Jeffrey Muriceak was absent.

#### Minutes

A motion was made by James Callahan and second by Kenneth Wertz to accept the meeting minutes of July 5, 2023, as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by James Callahan and second by Kenneth Wertz to accept the Treasurer's report as presented for the month of July. The motion passed unanimously.

#### New Business

- Mr. Bob Ritter a representative from Comcast was present to thank the Board of Supervisors, Secretary Beverly Henderson, and Phil Fraga (Cohen Group LLC) for all their work that was put into getting to the approval of the ordinance for Comcast as another cable company within Frankstown Township. With that a motion was made by James Callahan and seconded by Kenneth Wertz to adopt Ordinance # 08012023 known as the authorizing execution of a cable franchise agreement between Frankstown Township and Comcast. The motion passed unanimously.

#### Stormwater Issues:

- Engineer Levine reported none at this time.
- Gary Gates requested an update on the project that is to be done next to his property.

Mr. Gates was told that we have a sewer project to do and then your project would be next. Engineer Levine stated that he will contact Road Foreman Bob Miller to see what his schedule is like.

- A gentleman who did not want to give his name due to the fact it would be on the internet, and he would rather it not be out there. Questioned as to why the paving stopped above his home. He had Engineer Levine up at his house to discuss the stormwater issue and at this point he feels that this is gross negligence on behalf of Township. He stated that the roadway is falling apart. Engineer Levine and Supervisor Callahan visited the sight on Saturday and came up with 3 options to help with this issue until paving next year. He also wanted to know why they paved Sylvan East rather than Stonehedge, of which Engineer Levine stated was going to be on this year's paving contract. Engineer Levine stated that one option is to stabilize the shoulder by installing bituminous material. The other option is to put inlets across the road and push the water across the street.

#### General Comments

- Dave Consiglio was present on behalf of his parents who live next to the house that burned several weeks ago located at 107 Axelle Dr. Mr. Consiglio stated that he had taken picture however he things something happens and was unable to send them to Secretary Henderson. Mr. Consiglio asked the Board of Supervisors if they have been by this house there is

so much debris, he feels that the solicitor, or the state fire marshal should be able to do something about it since it is a nuisance, he suggested that we go and tear it down and put a lien on the property. Mr. Consiglio stated that the neighbors have been watching rats running in and out of the property. Chairman Henry stated that Solicitor Muriceak is on vacation and when he gets back, he will have him draft something up and we may have to get Engineer Levine involved.

- Jeff Stephens stated that all they are doing is taking the scape metal so they can sale it and stated that there are rats all over the place.

- Mr. Stephens also stated a concern on the speed on Scotch Valley Rd with all the truck traffic. Mr. Stephens stated that the speed limit in some places is 25 in others it is 35. He feels that we need to contact the state police or put up one of the speed signs showing how fast you are going.

- Mr. Edward Eger stated that he lives near the entrance of Halowdale and that curve the trucks use jack brakes because they are traveling way to fast. They shouldn't have to use jack brakes if they are traveling at a safe speed.

- Adranna Miner was present concerning the speed as well. She stated that the Grannas Bros trucks as well as 18 wheelers just fly on that road. Ms. Minner had 2 young children with her, and she stated that she put signs in her driveway requesting the traffic to slow down. Ms. Minner feels that speed humps will be a plus in slowing the traffic down.

- Brent Altmanshofer was present concern the speed as well. He stated that the house he lived in was his childhood home, with the passing of his parents he and his wife decided to move to his homestead. Mr. Altmanshofer stated that he saw many accidents on the curve that he lives on. He has driven for FedEx in the past and the trucks and or concrete trucks are not traveling at 35 MPH, or they wouldn't need jack brakes to slow down to take the curve. There have been several times when the Grannas Brothers trucks lose shell in the yard or driveway that they send personal down to clean it up.

- Engineer Levine is to check the standards for speed humps and report back to the Board.

- Supervisor Callahan stated that he feels the speed limit flashing sign would be the first thing to do. Some folks in the audience stated that you might as well use a flashlight.

- The majority of the audience would like to see speed humps to slow not only the truck traffic but also general traffic down.

- Dave Consiglio stated that he doesn't know if he could wait 2 years to have that house torn down, as he was told that the wait period for G&R. He stated that we should tear it down and send the bill to his insurance company if there was insurance on the house. Carlos Wiegering states that he doesn't feel he could sale any of the property behind this house with the condition of the house. Some of the audience stated that the night of the fire there were 50-foot flames coming from the garage, another one stated that there were fireworks in that garage. Others stated that they thought it was a drug house because of what was coming and going on. Someone stated that there was only a scooter, motorcycle, and a junk car but that wouldn't create the 50-foot flames. Chairman Henry stated that when Solicitor Muriceak returns he will have him draft a letter to the owner of the house.

With no other business before the Board of Supervisor a motion was made by James Callahan and second by Kenneth Wertz to retire into an executive session at 7:45 PM The motion passed unanimously.

Beverly J. Henderson  
Sec. Treas.