

**FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
WORKSHOP MEETING
January 16, 2013**

CALL TO ORDER

Present were Supervisors Donald Lerew, John Shambaugh, Naomi Decker, and John Holder, Also present was Secretary Nancy Zentmeyer. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. at the Township Municipal Building, 150 Century Lane, Dillsburg, York County, PA.

Chairman Lerew announced that the meeting will conclude at 9:00 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT

1. Mike Whitzel, Franklinton Fire Company

Chief Whitzel commented on the KME Agreement. There are 2 copies of the agreement that need to be signed with one to KME and the other to PEMA. The contract was reviewed with Solicitor MacNeal's email comments. Vice Chairman Shambaugh suggested that the township hold a special meeting with Solicitor MacNeal and the bond counsel. Any changes that are to be made the township will need to contact the sales representative at KME. The loans were discussed. It was noted that once the contract is signed then PEMA can start the 2% loan. At the special meeting all issues need to be resolved.

DISCUSSION ON NUISANCE ORDINANCE

Vice Chairman Shambaugh noted that in the packet of ordinances from other municipalities that Fairview Township has a good ordinance with regards to abandoned and junk vehicles, noise control etc. The ordinance that was prepared regarding ATV's could be added as another section. It was noted that Fairview Township has equipment to measure the decibels (dB) of sound. Some of the criteria needed are the ratings on the different types of equipment to see what the dB's are. In subsection 303 there are noted exemptions.

In Dover Township's ordinance it does define certain noises which could be added or deleted. Agricultural should be exempt and it must be defined.

The proposed ordinance that was prepared does address noise and dust. There are numerous municipalities in York County that do have ordinances addressing the issue. There was discussion on removing items that are not necessary, such as weeds. The proposed ordinance also addresses dust crossing onto the adjoining property. It was suggested to omit the Zoning Officer as an enforcer of this ordinance. The Supervisors

requested a copy of the current nuisance ordinance. It was also suggested to have Solicitor MacNeal review this proposed ordinance.

ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS

A list had been provided from Solicitor MacNeal of amendments to the zoning ordinance that has been discussed over the course of the last year or two. The following items were discussed.

1. Consider zoning ordinance revision regarding accessory structures – no longer conditional use or add specific criteria. **It was decided to skip this until later.**
2. Section 205 – Change from 5-foot intervals to 1-foot intervals. **It was decided to keep it at 5-foot intervals.**
3. Section 205.D – Note for clarification only. Only for Steep Slope District or for any area of land? **It was decided for any property.**
4. Animal husbandry v. kennel v. farm – what about keeping of poultry not for profit? **Yes this is okay.**
5. Distinction between retaining walls and structural walls, consider setback limitations for retaining walls and fences. **There was discussion on the need for setbacks for stormwater purposes. It was suggested that a retaining wall is a structural wall. It was noted that Section 301.A.1 needs to be re-done. The height of fences was also discussed.**

MEETING DATES FOR SPECIAL MEETING

After discussion the following dates were selected to hold a special meeting with the Solicitor and bond counsel regarding the purchase of the new fire engine: January 22, 24, or 30 with a beginning time of possibly 6:00 or 6:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Supervisor Holder made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:05 p.m. **Seconded** by Chairman Lerew. The motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Zentmeyer
Township Secretary

