

**WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS
ALL DAY WORKSHOP MEETING - February 19, 2016**

The All Day Workshop meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Washington Township was called to order by Chairman McCleaf at 8:00 a.m. The meeting was opened with the pledge of allegiance.

PRESENT: Supervisors Conrad, McCleaf, Gladhill, McCracken and Reichard. Also present were Manager Mike Christopher, Assistant Manager Jeff Geesaman and Secretary Karen Hargrave. No citizens were present.

8:00 AM - FROM THE FLOOR

- SEAN MCFARLAND

Mr. McFarland was present to discuss such things as the Borough Water Authority, situations throughout the township and possible solutions to those situations. Mr. McFarland asked the Board of Supervisors if there was anything else they wished to discuss concerning the WTMA.

8:10 AM - PAUL BARNETT & 8:30 AM - PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT:

Mr. Barnett and his crew were out on a call so this portion will be later in this meeting.

9:00 AM - JOHN THIERWECHTER - FCEMC:

Mr. Thierwechter, Director to the Department of Emergency Services was present as well as Brian Stevenson of the 911 Dispatch Center. Discussion was held on what the Township could do to help the Franklin County Emergency system as well as what they could do to help the Township. Mr. Thierwechter advised that he hoped to fill a few positions at their center. Discussion was held with Mr. Stevenson on how their center works and the services they provide. Mr. Stevenson said it would be helpful if the Township could get radios for the Public Works department especially for events like the past snow blizzard in order that their department could communicate with the Township.

9:30 AM - Supervisor McCleaf left the meeting to attend his brother's funeral.

9:30 AM - PAUL BARNETT & PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT:

Supervisor Conrad asked Mr. Barnett who he was reporting to. Mr. Barnett replied Mr. Geesaman and Mr. Christopher. Assistant Manager Geesaman gave an update on the progress with Washington Township Boulevard and the Calimer Drive project. The Township Manager asked Geoffrey Rickett if there was a need for any equipment that he knew of. Mr. Rickett said none that he knew of.

10:00 AM - PENNDOT - BOBBY BINGAMAN:

Bobby Bingaman, Acting County Manager for PennDOT, Paul Thompson, Bridge Foreman for Franklin County and Dave Wagaman, Assistant Manager for Franklin County PennDOT were present at this time. Discussion was held on whether there were any major projects that would be occurring this year within the Township, what items may need to be inspected by PennDOT in the Township, and what projects they may have in the future for the Township.

10:30 AM – REPRESENTATIVE SCHEMEL:

Mr. Schemel arrived. Discussions were held on the Pennsylvania budget situation, whether the Township was experiencing any money issues from non-passing of the budget, drafting of a bill for an intergovernmental agreements, working on a bill for electronic waste and possible charges for electronic waste, discussions on the recent changes in being able to dispose of electronic waste and pension reform situations.

11:00 AM – SENATOR ALLOWAY:

Senator Alloway arrived. Representative Schemel remained for discussions. Many of the same discussions were held as stated above for Representative Schemel. Senator Alloway explained what he thought were problems with getting the budget passed.

12:00 NOON – LUNCH WITH SENATOR ALLOWAY, REPRESENTATIVE SCHEMEL, ROBERT THOMAS AND DAVID KELLER, FRANKLIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AT ROLLING MILLS:

The Board of Supervisors, the Manager, the Assistant Manager, the Secretary, Representative Schemel, Senator Alloway, Robert Thomas and David Keller met for lunch and continued to discuss the problems the township faces with items such as electronic recycling, pension reform, current Pennsylvania budget situation and miscellaneous items.

1:15 PM – COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:

The Manager thanked the Franklin County Commissioners for the help with obtaining grant money for the Battle of Monterey Pass and wanted them to know how much the money was appreciated. The Commissioners asked what specific projects would be completed with the grant money. They had discussions on placement of trails for the Battle of Monterey Pass.

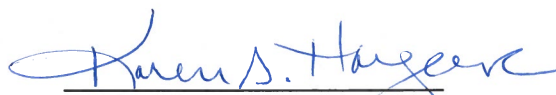
2:15 PM – MIKE ROSS & DAVE MACKLEY:

Mike Ross and David Mackley from the Franklin County Area Development Corporation were present. Mr. Ross gave a presentation to the Board of Supervisors concerning all of the business activity happening throughout Franklin County. He advised how the corporation attempts to relocate or attract businesses to the Franklin County Area and also how they help them get financing.

3:10 PM – OPEN:

Supervisor Conrad expressed some concern over Country Club Road once Washington Township Boulevard is constructed and crosses Country Club Road. Supervisor Conrad also asked the Manager how the transition process was working with training the Assistant Manager and the time frame for the Manager's retirement.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:55 p.m. on a Conrad/Reichard motion, vote was unanimous.


Karen S. Hargrave
Secretary