FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP LAND USE BOARD REVISED MEETING MINUTES JANUARY 3, 2018

FLAG SALUTE:

The Franklin Township (Warren County) Land Use Board met for their regular meeting on Wednesday, January 3, 2018 at the Franklin Township Municipal building at 2093 Rt. 57, Broadway, NJ 08808. Secretary M. Housman called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. and declared all aspects of the Open Public Meeting Act had been met by posting notice of this meeting on the bulletin Board in the Municipal Building and notifying the Municipal Clerk. Advertisement of notice was placed in the Star Gazette of Hackettstown, NJ and the Express Times of Easton, Pa.

OATH OF OFFICE: Oath of office for existing members. Attorney R. Schneider administered the oath of office to Mayor DeAngelis, Mr. Onembo, Mr. Ferri, Mr. Banes

ROLL CALL:

Present: Mayor DeAngelis, Mr. Onembo, Mr. Meltzer, Mr. Banes, Mr. Ferri , Ms. Kantor,

Mr. Corde (7:35)

Absent: Mr. Sigler, Mr. Van Saders, Mr. Santini

Also Present: Attorney R. Schneider, Engineer G. Weber

REORGANIZATION OF THE BOARD:

Secretary M. Housman called for the nomination of the Land Use Board Chairman.

A motion was made by Mr. Onembo, seconded by Ms. Kantor to nominate

Mr. Meltzer as Land Use Board Chairman, no additional nominations were made.

A motion to close was made by Mr. Onembo, seconded by Mr. Ferri,

Vote: Onembo, Ferri, DeAngelis, Meltzer, Kantor, Banes – Ayes,

0 – Nay, 0 – Abstain, all ayes motion carried.

Chairman H. Meltzer called for the nomination of the Land Use Board Vice Chairman.

A motion was made by Mr. Onembo, seconded by Mr. Ferri to nominate

Mr. Van Saders as Land Use Board Vice Chairman, no additional nominations

were made. A motion to close was made by Mr. Meltzer, seconded by Ms. Kantor,

Vote: Meltzer, Kantor, Onembo, Ferri, DeAngelis, Banes – Ayes,

0 – Nay, 0 – Abstain, all ayes motion carried.

Appointments:

A motion to approve the resolution authorizing contracts with Richard Schneider, Esq. of Vogel, Chait, Collins & Schneider as Attorney; Michael Finelli, P.E. of Finelli Consulting Engineers as Engineer; James Kyle P.P. of Kyle Planning and Design LLC as Planner for Professional Services for 2018.

A motion to approve was made by Mr. Meltzer, seconded by Ms. Kantor, Vote: Meltzer, Kantor, DeAngelis, Onembo, Ferri, Banes – Ayes,

0 – Nay, 0 – Abstain, all ayes motion carried.

The Express Times and the Star Gazette were adopted as the official Newspaper designated for sunshine law notices. A motion to approve was made by Mr. Meltzer, seconded by Mayor DeAngelis, all ayes motion carried.

A motion to adopt the 2017 Land Use Board regular and workshop schedule was made by Mayor DeAngelis, seconded by Mr. Ferri all ayes motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Onembo to re-appoint Margaret Housman as Land Use Secretary, seconded by Mr. Meltzer, Vote: Onembo, Meltzer, Banes, DeAngelis, Ferri, Kantor, Corde – Ayes, 0 – Nay, 0 – Abstain, all ayes motion carried.

MINUTES: Minutes from the December 6, 2017 meeting & executive. A motion to approve was made by Mr. Onembo, seconded by Mr. Banes, Vote: Onembo, Banes, DeAngelis, Meltzer, Kantor, –Ayes, 0 – Nay, 0 – Abstain, all ayes motion carried.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Docket #2017-01 – Jesse & Sara Pyskaty – Agricultural Subdivision application for Block 56 Lot 34 located at 93 Bloomsbury Road. The applicant was represented by Attorney R. Melsky the applicant Sara Pyskaty was previously sworn.
 Engineer G. Weber addressed items from the engineering report dated December 4, 2017.
 Ms. Pyakaty clarified her previous testimony as to the location of the barn on Lot 34, and the barn would not encroach onto the new proposed Lot 34.02.
 The board concluded the application qualified as an exemption from subdivision for agricultural purposes conditions will apply.

Break: 8:05 – 8:12

A motion to approve the application with conditions as discussed was made by Mr. Onembo, seconded by Mr. Meltzer, Vote: Onembo, Meltzer, DeAngelis, Banes – Ayes, 0 – Nay, Corde, Ferri, Kantor – Abstained, the ayes were unanimous motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT: No public comment was offered.

ADJOURNMENT: 7:45 p.m.

With no further business before the board and no public comment offered a motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Meltzer, seconded by Mr. Van Saders, all ayes motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Margaret Housman, Secretary