

**Township of Franklin
Township Committee Meeting Minutes
March 8, 2022**

Call to Order:

Time: 7:30 PM

Mr. Doyle: Present

Mrs. Flaim: Present

Mr. Deegan: Present

Mayor Bruno: Present

Mrs. Petsch-Wilson: Present

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Open Public Meetings Act Statement:

Pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, adequate notice of this meeting was forwarded to the official Township newspapers, posted on the bulletin board and Township Website on January 8, 2022.

Motion to Open Public Hearing on O-4-22 Adopting the Franklin Township Police Department Rules and Regulations: Prior to public hearing:

Motion: Deegan Remove Sergeant from eligibility to be promoted to Captain or Deputy Chief from O-4-22 Rules And Regulations

Second: Petsch-Wilson

Roll Call:

Mr. Deegan: Yes

Mrs. Flaim: Yes

Mrs. Petsch-Wilson: Yes

Mayor Bruno: Yes

Mr. Doyle: Yes

Motion to Open Public Hearing on O-4-22

Motion: Deegan

Second: Petsch-Wilson

All in Favor: Unanimous

Harry Kennedy spoke about ordinance O-4-22 and the Buena police contract.

Motion to Close Public Hearing on O-4-22

Motion: Deegan

Second: Petsch-Wilson

All in Favor: Unanimous

Motion to Adopt O-4-22 Adopting the Franklin Township Police Department Rules and Regulations

Motion: Deegan

Second: Petsch-Wilson

Roll Call:

Mr. Deegan: Yes

Mrs. Flaim: Yes

Mrs. Petsch-Wilson: Yes

Mayor Bruno: Yes

Mr. Doyle: Yes

Motion to Open Public Hearing on O-5-22 Amending and Replacing Chapter 98 Entitle “Police Department” of the Code of the Township of Franklin

Prior to public hearing:

Motion: Deegan Remove Sergeant from eligibility to be promoted to Captain or Deputy Chief from O-5-22

Second: Petsch-Wilson

Roll Call:

Mr. Deegan: Yes

Mrs. Flaim: Yes

Mrs. Petsch-Wilson: Yes

Mayor Bruno: Yes

Mr. Doyle: Yes

Motion to Open Public Hearing on O-5-22

Motion: Deegan

Second: Petsch-Wilson

All in Favor: Unanimous

No one came forward.

Motion to Close Public Hearing on O-5-22

Motion: Petsch-Wilson

Second: Deegan

All in Favor: Unanimous

Motion to Adopt O-5-22 Amending and Replacing Chapter 98 Entitled “Police Department” of the Code of the Township of Franklin

Motion: Deegan Second: Petsch-Wilson

Roll Call:

Mr. Deegan: Yes

Mrs. Flaim: Yes

Mrs. Petsch-Wilson: Yes

Mayor Bruno: Yes

Mr. Doyle: Yes

First Public Portion:

Motion to Open: Deegan Second: Petsch-Wilson

No one came forward.

Motion to Close: Deegan Second: Petsch-Wilson

All in Favor: Unanimous

Motion to Approve Correspondence and Reports

Motion: Deegan Second: Petsch-Wilson

All in Favor: Unanimous

Motion to Approve Minutes February 22, 2022

Motion: Deegan Second: Petsch-Wilson

All In Favor: Unanimous

Motion to Approve Bill List

Motion: Deegan Second: Petsch-Wilson

Roll Call:

Mr. Doyle: Yes

Mr. Deegan: Yes

Mrs. Flaim: Yes

Mrs. Petsch Wilson: Yes-recuse Franklin Alarm

Mayor Bruno: Yes

Motion R-51-22 Authorizing the Mayor and/or His Designee to Execute Agreement Between the Township of Franklin and ROK Industries

Motion: Deegan Second: Petsch-Wilson

Roll Call:

Mr. Doyle: Yes

Mr. Deegan: Yes

Mrs. Flaim: Yes

Mrs. Petsch Wilson: Yes

Mayor Bruno: Yes

Motion R-52-22 Appointing Jeffrey Link to the Environmental Commission in Accordance with the Township Code

Motion: Deegan Second: Petsch-Wilson

Roll Call:

Mr. Doyle: Yes

Mr. Deegan: Yes

Mrs. Flaim: Yes

Mrs. Petsch Wilson: Yes

Mayor Bruno: Yes

Motion R-53-22 Supporting the Establishment and Operation of a Facility for Cannabis Cultivation and Cannabis Manufacturing on Premises Owned by Visconti Brothers Properties LLC Located at 4801 Lake Road Block 5501 Lot 31

Motion: Deegan Second: Petsch-Wilson

Roll Call:

Mr. Doyle: Yes

Mr. Deegan: Yes

Mrs. Flaim: Yes

Mrs. Petsch Wilson: Yes

Mayor Bruno: Yes

Motion R-54-22 Appointing a Conflict Solicitor for the Township of Franklin for the Year 2022

Motion: Deegan Second: Petsch-Wilson

Roll Call:

Mr. Doyle: Yes

Mr. Deegan: Yes

Mrs. Flaim: Yes

Mrs. Petsch Wilson: Yes

Mayor Bruno: Yes

Motion to Introduce O-6-22 Amending Chapter 253 Land Management

Motion: Deegan Second: Doyle

Roll Call:

Mr. Doyle: Yes

Mr. Deegan: Yes
Mrs. Petsch Wilson: No

Mrs. Flaim: No
Mayor Bruno: Yes

Motion to Introduce O-7-22 Amending Chapter 6- Agriculture Advisory Committee

Motion: Deegan Second: Doyle

Roll Call:

Mr. Doyle: Yes
Mr. Deegan: Yes Mrs. Flaim: No
Mrs. Petsch Wilson: No Mayor Bruno: Yes

Motion to Open Second Public Portion: Deegan Second: Petsch-Wilson

All in favor: Unanimous

Jason Brandt asked if O-6-22 was going to be referred to the Planning Board for comment. Mr. Lyons said yes and R-53-22 procedures for cannabis.

Motion To Close Second Public Portion: Deegan Second: Petsch-Wilson

All in Favor: Unanimous

Reports:

Mr. Doyle said he has been working on getting the parks ready for the Spring.

Mr. Deegan said there are a lot of Senior Citizen events upcoming. He also mentioned that the Library renovations are starting on March 10.

Mrs. Flaim congratulated the Indoor Track team. She sent condolences to the family of Frank Pedulla.

Mrs. Flaim also said the Easter Egg hunt will be at the ballfields.

Mrs. Petsch-Wilson also sent condolences to the family of Frank Pedull. She attended the Historical meeting and Board of Education meetings.

Mayor Bruno congratulated the Track team and Wrestling teams.

Motion to Adjourn:

Motion: Deegan Second: Petsch-Wilson

Time: 7:55 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Freijomil, Municipal Clerk