

FERGUSON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

**Regular Meeting Agenda
Tuesday, October 18, 2022**

7:00 PM

MEETING PARTICIPATION OPTIONS

VIRTUAL:

Join Zoom Meeting Link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87031665680>

Meeting ID: 870 3166 5680

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IN-PERSON:

Ferguson Township Municipal Building

Main Meeting Room

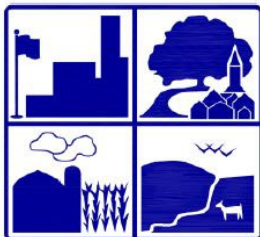
3147 Research Drive

State College, PA

- I. CALL TO ORDER**
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- III. CITIZENS INPUT**
- IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
- V. AUTHORITIES, BOARDS, AND COMMISSION REPORTS**
- VI. SPECIAL REPORTS**
- VII. COG REGIONAL REPORTS**
- VIII. STAFF REPORTS**
- IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**
 - 1. Public Hearing – Agricultural Properties Partial Exemption Resolution
- X. NEW BUSINESS**
 - 1. Consent Agenda
 - 2. Public Hearing – Winter Maintenance Agreement Resolution
 - 3. Public Hearing – Agility Agreement Resolution
 - 4. Informational Update on CRCOG 2023 Proposed Operating Budget
- XI. COMMUNICATIONS TO THE BOARD**
- XII. CALENDAR ITEMS**
- XIII. ADJOURNMENT**



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- I. CALL TO ORDER**
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- III. CITIZEN'S INPUT** 5 minutes per resident
- IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
 - 1. September 20, 2022, Board of Supervisors Meeting Minutes
 - 2. October 3, 2022, Board of Supervisors Meeting Minutes
- V. AUTHORITIES, BOARDS, AND COMMISSIONS REPORT** 10 minutes
 - 1. Schlow Centre Region Library by Sue Werner
 - 2. C-NET Report by Jaymes Progar
- VI. SPECIAL REPORTS AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS** 60 minutes
 - 1. Diversity, Equity, and Inclusionary Acknowledgements –
Domestic Violence Awareness Month, Filipino-American Heritage Month, German-American Heritage Month, Italian-American Heritage Month, Polish-American Heritage Month
 - 2. Township and Fiscal Responsibility –
Emergency Management: Roles and Responsibilities by Shawn Kauffman, Emergency Management Coordinator
 - 3. Community and Economic Development –
Overview and Updates on the Chamber of Business and Industry of Centre County (CBICC) by Greg Scott, Executive Director; Informational Overview on the Centre County's Purchase of Agriculture and Conservation Easement Program by Diana Griffith, Agricultural Land Preservation Coordinator
 - 4. Environment – no report.
- VII. COG AND REGIONAL COMMITTEE REPORTS** 25 minutes
 - 1. COG COMMITTEE REPORT**
 - a. Joint Facilities Committee and Centre Region Parks and Recreation
 - b. Climate Action Sustainability Committee
 - c. Public Safety Committee
 - d. Human Resources Committee
 - e. Joint Land Use and Community Infrastructure Committee and Centre Regional Planning Commission Meeting
 - f. Finance Committee
 - 2. OTHER COMMITTEE REPORTS**

VIII. STAFF REPORTS

1. Township Manager's Report
2. Public Works Director Report
3. Planning and Zoning Report
4. Officer-In-Charge Report

IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. **A PUBLIC HEARING ON A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE FERGUSON TOWNSHIP TO GRANT PARTIAL EXEMPTION FOR ELIGIBLE AGRICULTURAL PROPERTIES FROM THE FERGUSON TOWNSHIP STORMWATER MANAGEMENT UTILITY FEE AND REPEALING RESOLUTION 2021-26.** 10 minutes

David Modricker, Director of Public Works

Narrative

Provided with the agenda is the revised partial agricultural properties exemption policy for consideration by the Board. The revised policy requires property owners of agricultural properties to file a one-time application by September 30 that results in the Stormwater Engineer to conduct a review and a response no later than October 30 of the filing year. Partial agricultural exemptions awarded and applied to agricultural properties will renew annually subject to the property sustaining no changes. Property owners that received approval for the partial exemption do not need to file a new application for the exemption apply in future years.

Recommended Motion: That the Board of Supervisors adopt the resolution to grant a partial exemption for eligible agricultural properties from the Ferguson Township Stormwater Management Utility Fee and Repealing Resolution 2021-26.

Staff Recommendation

That the Board of Supervisors **adopt** the resolution.

X. NEW BUSINESS

1. **CONSENT AGENDA** 5 minutes

- a. Contract 2022-C8, Fall Long Lines, Round 2, Pay App 4: \$29,217.31
- b. Harner 4-Lot Subdivision Surety Reduction No. 6 - \$140,942.90
- c. Orchard View Subdivision Surety Reduction No. 5 - \$373,365.55
- d. Sheetz at Harner Surety Reduction No. 5 - \$50,364.28
- e. Letter of Match Commitment for DCNR Supplemental Grant

2. **A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF FERGUSON, CENTRE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRWOMAN AND SECRETARY TO EXECUTE A WINTER MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT WITH THE PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR A PORTION OF STATE ROUTE 26.**

David Modricker, Director of Public Works

10 minutes

Narrative

Ferguson Township has performed winter maintenance for PennDOT on a section of Whitehall Road SR3018 from West College Avenue SR26 to Blue Course Drive. PennDOT approached the Township about performing winter maintenance on a section

of SR26 from the Ferguson Township boundary with State College Borough to the intersection of Shingletown Road SR26/SR45. Ferguson Township Public Works winter operations crews travel this section of road to perform snow and ice removal on Township roads and is agreeable to performing this service.

Recommended Motion: That the Board of Supervisors adopt the resolution.

Staff Recommendation

That the Board of Supervisors **adopt** the resolution.

3. **A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF FERGUSON, CENTRE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP MANAGER TO EXECUTE AN AGILITY AGREEMENT WITH THE PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION** 10 minutes

David Modricker, Director of Public Works

Narrative

For approximately the last decade, the Township has entered into an Agility Agreement with PennDOT. The Agility Agreement allows the two parties to barter services and products. The specific work plan is prepared and agreed upon between the Township Road Superintendent and the PennDOT Centre County Maintenance Manager. Examples of services provided by the Township include mowing and street sweeping sections of SR26, SR45, and SR3018 in Ferguson Township. Examples of services provided by PennDOT include providing an Athey Loader to assist with roadside swale maintenance and delivering salt brine produced at the Bellefonte maintenance office for pre-wetting and anti-icing operations of the Township.

Recommended Motion: That the Board of Supervisors adopt the resolution.

Staff Recommendation

That the Board of Supervisors **adopt** the resolution.

4. **INFORMATIONAL UPDATE ON CENTRE REGION COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENT (COG) 2023 PROPOSED OPERATING BUDGET** 30 minutes

Centrice Martin, Township Manager

Narrative

On Friday, September 23, 2022, the Centre Region Council of Governments (CRCOG) Finance Committee received the proposed 2023 Operating Budget. A link to the CRCOG proposed 2023 Budget is provided below. The proposed budget includes an increase of approximately 16 percent which results in approximately an 18 percent increase for Ferguson Township's contribution. Ferguson Township's increase from 2018 to 2019 was 4 percent; the increase from 2018 to 2020 was 10 percent, the increase from 2018 to 2021 was 14 percent; and the increase from 2021 to 2022 was 18 percent. Ferguson Township's increase from 2022 to the proposed 2022 Operating Budget is 18 percent. Provided with the agenda are copies of two memos (2 and 3) prepared by Centre Region Municipal Managers to the CRCOG Finance Committee.

2023 DRAFT Detailed Budget to Finance Committee

The Board is asked to consider providing additional guidance on the COG budget to the Township's representative on the Finance Committee.

Staff Recommendation

That the Board of Supervisors *discuss* the COG Budget.

XI. COMMUNICATIONS TO THE BOARD

XII. CALENDAR ITEMS – October/November

- a. Election Day, November 8
- b. Special Meeting on DRAFT 2023 Operating Budget, November 9
- c. Special Meeting on DRAFT 2023 Operating Budget, November 10
- d. Administrative Offices Closed in Observance of Veterans Day, November 11
- e. Planning Commission - October 24, November 14
- f. Pine Grove Mills SAP Advisory Committee - October 27, November 17
- g. Fall 2022 Neighborhood Association Open Forum – November 9
- h. Parks & Recreation Committee, November 10
- i. Tree Commission - November 21

XIII. ADJOURNMENT