

**TOWNSHIP OF FALLS
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING**

ROLL CALL:

ROBERT HARVIE, JR., CHAIRMAN	PRESENT
JONATHAN SNIPES, VICE-CHAIRMAN	PRESENT
JEFFRY DENCE, SECRETARY-TREASURER	ABSENT
JEFFREY ROCCO, SUPERVISOR	PRESENT
BRIAN GALLOWAY, SUPERVISOR	PRESENT

The meeting commenced at 7:05 p.m. with roll call and salute to the flag. All Board members were present with the exception of Member Dence who was ill. Also present were Township Manager Peter Gray, Township Solicitor Michael Clarke, Township Solicitor Lauren Gallagher, and Township Engineer James Sullivan.

PRESENTATION OF A SPECIAL PROCLAMATION FOR SEVEN CHILDREN WHO COLLECTED FUNDS FOR A FAMILY THAT LOST THEIR HOME IN A FIRE

Chairman Harvie said the township wants to recognize seven young people who went above and beyond to help a family in need. They took a collection to help offset costs for a fire victim's family and to make a donation to the local fire department. Chairman Harvie read a proclamation to be passed this evening in recognition of the commendable good deed of these seven individuals. Member Galloway said he is proud to have these young people as members of our community and said they did a wonderful thing. Member Snipes thanked the children who took the collection. He said he is happy to see them get this proclamation. Member Rocco said he is very proud of what they have done. They have turned this tragedy into something to be proud of. The group collected \$1,124 to go toward a flag in the library in honor of David, flowers for the funeral, a donation to Levittown Fire Co. No. 1, and the rest went to David's mother and aunt. Member Galloway moved to approve the proclamation for these seven young people; Member Snipes seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (4-0)

**ITEM # 1 PUBLIC COMMENT – FIVE MINUTE LIMIT PER PERSON
FORTY-FIVE MINUTE MAXIMUM**

Chairman Harvie explained how they are changing the order of business for these meetings. They will hold public comment as the first agenda item for the public to speak about topics of township business or special issues. If there is an agenda item that someone may want to comment about, they ask for them to wait until that agenda item to make their comment.

Mr. Roland Kenney asked for a moment of silence in memory of fallen firefighters and people in the township who have recently lost their lives. Mr. Kenney thanked the board for moving public comment to the first agenda item and for removing the shed at Three Arches.

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Mr. Kenney asked if there was any update on the senior citizen center renovation project. Chairman Harvie said they are continuing to do what they need to do as far as the county and for finalizing things. Mr. Sullivan said he thinks this project should start some time in July. Mr. Kenney said there was a recent fire and a propane tank fed the flames. He urges people to keep these types of things away from your homes and other structures. Mr. Kenney commented on a television segment by Mayor Nutter. Chairman Harvie spoke about fire safety. If there is anyone who needs a smoke detector or who needs help changing the batteries, please contact the fire marshal's office or call your local fire department. They are willing to help.

Ms. Madeleine Jones spoke about Earth Day. She hopes everyone is aware of what it is all about and not just one day of the year. Ms. Jones said she recently saw a poster that said to protect our forest friends. Ms. Jones said sometimes we forget to protect ourselves. We are hurting the animals, the earth, and the trees with what we are doing with the light and noise pollution. Ms. Jones found out about a local resident who suffers from light pollution. The bright lights at night are blinding. Ms. Jones said she read an article about the right to a quiet society. She said you can find information on any of these things by doing some research. Ms. Jones said the children who were recognized tonight are our future. We need more of these children and adults like them. Ms. Jones said to remember Earth Day on April 22nd. International Noise Awareness Day is April 25th. Everyone is asked to pause for a moment of silence on this day from 2:15 p.m. to 2:16 p.m. Ms. Jones said she was asked by someone to mention that the township is spending too much money. Regarding Biles Island, Ms. Jones does not want to see any restaurants or commercial buildings being built there. She said there is no reason for it.

ITEM # 2 CONSIDER FINAL PLAN OF MINOR SUBDIVISION FOR GENERAL OFFICE AREA SOUTH, TMP # 13-51-1

Manager Gray introduced this item. The applicant, U.S. Steel, is represented by Ms. Kelly McGowan. Ms. McGowan said this property is located at Sorrells Boulevard and Roebling Road in the KIPC. Their plan is to sub-divide approximately 38 acres from over the 1,400-acre tract. No construction is proposed at this time. Sewer and water service to the site is already provided. The intent is to facilitate a land development. Ms. McGowan spoke about the Bucks County Planning Commission review letter and the township engineer's review letter. Chairman Harvie read the list of waivers. Mr. Sullivan said these are issues that will come up with any kind of land development. Ms. McGowan presented further information about this project. Member Snipes moved to approve Resolution # 12-10, final plan of minor subdivision for General Office Area South, TMP # 13-51-1; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (4-0)

ITEM # 3 CONSIDER CONTRACT AGREEMENT BETWEEN TIER 1 K9 AND FALLS TOWNSHIP

Lt. Hank Ward provided information regarding an agreement for a new K9 police dog. He spoke about the time it involves to train these dogs. The funds for this purchase were secured from casino grants. Member Snipes moved to approve the purchase agreement with

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Tier 1 K9 and Falls Township; Member Rocco seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (4-0)

ITEM # 4 CONSIDER BIDS FOR CHLORINE AND MURIATIC ACID AT THE PINEWOOD POOL

Manager Gray said two bids were received for chlorine and muriatic acid for the 2012 season at the Pinewood Pool. They are from: Buckman's (\$2.15/gal. for chlorine and \$3.50/gal. for muriatic acid) and Chemical Equipment Labs (\$1.89/gal. for chlorine and \$4.00/gal. for muriatic acid). Based on the results, it is recommended that the Board of Supervisors award the bid to Chemical Equipment Labs. Member Snipes asked if they felt this company was a good choice as all of their recommendations were not favorable. Manager Gray said he has reviewed their references and felt we should be okay with this company. Member Snipes moved to award the bid for the chlorine and muriatic acid for the 2012 season at the Pinewood Pool to Chemical Equipment Labs; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (4-0)

ITEM # 5 MINUTES – MARCH 20, 2012 AND APRIL 3, 2012

Member Snipes moved to approve the minutes from March 20, 2012; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (4-0) Member Snipes moved to approve the minutes from April 3, 2012; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor with the exception of Member Rocco who abstained from the vote. (3-0-1)

ITEM # 6 ENGINEER'S LIST

Mr. Sullivan said the Quaker Penn Park Babe Ruth Baseball Field should be completed by mid-May. The 2011 Road Improvement Project continues to move along. Member Rocco asked if there was any irrigation or water at the baseball field. Mr. Sullivan said there is water available, but no irrigation system. Mr. Sullivan spoke about the stream/culvert areas of North Park where the water does not flow very well. They are doing some surveying work to determine which way the water is supposed to flow and see what they can do about cleaning it up and making it work better. Member Rocco said a few meetings ago that was a pretty big issue. Chairman Harvie spoke about the South Olds Boulevard Bridge and said that area is heavily traveled. Mr. Sullivan said they have finished their survey work and will be getting a pre-cast bridge. They hope to do this in July and August when school is out since the road will need to be closed. Member Snipes moved to approve the March Engineer's Report dated April 12, 2012; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (4-0)

ITEM # 7 BILL LIST

Member Galloway moved to approve the bill list in the amount of \$1,798,758.34; Member Snipes seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (4-0)

ITEM # 8 EXECUTIVE SESSION – There was no Executive Session held.

ITEM # 9 MANAGER COMMENT

1. Manager Gray spoke about the township appointment to the Bucks County Community Development Block Grant Program. Falls Township needs to select an appointee for the 2012-2013 term by Friday, May 11, 2012. Manager Gray discussed the tasks involved with this appointment. Member Galloway moved to appoint Manager Gray as the township representative to the Bucks County Community Development Block Grant Program; Member Snipes seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (4-0)
2. Member Snipes moved to approve escrow release # 5 to A.E. Polysilicon in the amount of \$145,963.51; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (4-0)
3. The Falls Township Earth Day celebration will take place on Sunday, April 22nd at the Falls Township Community Park, phase 2 pavilion, from 1-3 p.m. The Parks and Rec Department is looking to hire lifeguards at the Pinewood Pool for the 2012 season. For more information, please contact the Parks and Rec Department at 215-949-9000, X220.
4. Mylars for CNG Fueling are ready for signature.

ITEM # 10 BOARD COMMENT

Chairman Harvie said he and Member Snipes attended the last Lower Makefield Township Board of Supervisor Meeting and said Lower Makefield is very interested in having their engineer work with our engineer to address the present drainage problems as mentioned at our last meeting and alleviating any future draining problems. We are satisfied with the modification to the developer's plan and feel it is the best solution for this problem. Chairman Harvie thanked the children who were honored this evening. He said it is heartwarming to see what they did because it was the right thing to do. Chairman Harvie thanked the parents and also Levittown Fire Co. No. 1 for bringing this to their attention.

Member Rocco reminded everyone that Election Day is April 24th. He encourages everyone to get out and vote. Member Rocco thanked all of the volunteers of the local little leagues who worked hard and had their opening day this past weekend.

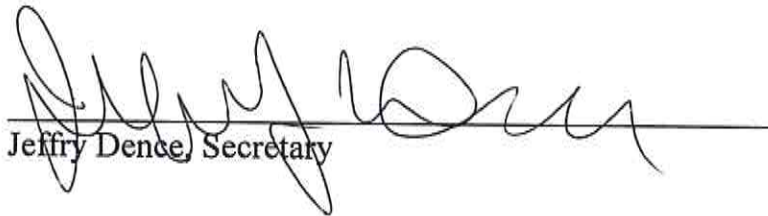
Member Snipes said it was inspiring to see children that young do something positive about a tragic situation. Member Snipes said they had a situation recently with a tenant who passed away. He thanked the Falls Township Police Department for responding and for helping to guide them through this difficult time. Member Snipes said the police department is well trained in not only what they do, but also to help the public in reaching out and trying to get in touch with people. He said their efforts were very much appreciated.

Member Galloway said it was a special joy tonight to see the children honored for helping the fire victims.

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Chairman Harvie said this year is the 60th Anniversary of Levittown Celebration. This is the anniversary of the first family who moved in. On June 23rd and 24th, there will be a celebration at Bolton Mansion. There are people who are deeply involved in preserving the history of Levittown. This group welcomes volunteers and would especially like to hear from any original Levittowners. Chairman Harvie attended a meeting at the Lower Bucks County of Commerce and said it was really interesting knowing some of the history and being able to teach some of the history of this town. For more information, the website is www.levittowners.com. It looks to be a great event. Chairman Harvie said the board will vote on a proclamation in honor of this celebration at an upcoming meeting. Chairman Harvie thanked everyone for attending tonight's meeting.

Member Snipes moved to adjourn the meeting; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (4-0) The meeting was adjourned at 8:03 p.m.


Jeffrey Dence, Secretary