

**TOWNSHIP OF FALLS
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING**

ROLL CALL:

JEFFRY E. DENCE, CHAIRMAN	PRESENT
JEFFREY M. BORASKI, VICE-CHAIRMAN	PRESENT
BRIAN M. GALLOWAY, SECRETARY	PRESENT
JOHN W. PALMER, SUPERVISOR	PRESENT
ERIN M. MULLEN, SUPERVISOR	PRESENT

The meeting commenced at 7:00 p.m. with roll call and pledge to the flag. All Board members were present. Also present were Township Manager/Chief Code Enforcement Officer & Zoning Officer Matthew Takita, Township Solicitor Michael Clarke, Township Solicitor Lauren Gallagher and Township Engineer Douglas Waite. Chairman Dence thanked Middletown Township for use of their meeting facilities.

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

No one signed in for public comment.

**ITEM # 2 CONSIDERATION OF NOTICE OF AWARD OF THE GENERAL
CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT FOR MUNICIPAL COMPLEX
RENOVATIONS TO RYCON CONSTRUCTION, INC. IN THE
AMOUNT OF \$19,230,000**

Mr. Clarke said Rycon Construction, Inc. has completed the responsible contractor review from his office, the Manager's office, and the Construction Manager working on this project and everything is in order. Member Galloway moved to approve the award of the General Construction Contract for Municipal Complex Renovations to Rycon Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$19,230,000; Member Palmer seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

**ITEM # 3 CONSIDERATION OF NOTICE OF AWARD OF THE PLUMBING
CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT FOR MUNICIPAL COMPLEX
RENOVATIONS TO MYCO MECHANICAL, INC. IN THE AMOUNT
OF \$2,343,000**

Member Galloway moved to approve the award of the Plumbing Construction Contract for Municipal Complex Renovations to Myco Mechanical, Inc. in the amount of \$2,343,000; Member Palmer seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

**ITEM # 4 CONSIDERATION OF RESPONSIBLE CONTRACTOR ORDINANCE
FINAL DETERMINATION DISQUALIFYING BORO DEVELOPERS,
INC. d/b/a BORO CONSTRUCTION FROM AWARD OF
MECHANICAL CONTRACT FOR MUNICIPAL COMPLEX
RENOVATIONS**

Mr. Clarke said the responsible contractor review was completed by his office, the Manager's Office, and the Construction Manager and it was determined that Boro Developers, Inc. d/b/a Boro Construction did not meet the requirements of the Responsible Contractor Ordinance and needs to be disqualified. Member Galloway moved to approve the Responsible Contractor Ordinance Final Determination Disqualifying Boro Developers, Inc. d/b/a Boro Construction from award of Mechanical Contract for Municipal Complex Renovations; Member Palmer seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

**ITEM # 5 CONSIDERATION OF RESPONSIBLE CONTRACTOR ORDINANCE
FINAL DETERMINATION DISQUALIFYING THE FARFIELD
COMPANY FROM AWARD OF ELECTRICAL CONSTRUCTION
CONTRACT FOR MUNICIPAL COMPLEX RENOVATIONS**

Member Galloway moved to approve the Responsible Contractor Ordinance Final Determination Disqualifying the Farfield Company from award of Electrical Construction Contract for Municipal Complex Renovations; Member Palmer seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

**ITEM # 6 CONSIDERATION OF NOTICE OF INTENT TO AWARD
MECHANICAL CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT FOR MUNICIPAL
COMPLEX RENOVATIONS TO ALLSTATES MECHANICAL, LTD.,
IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,227,215.00**

Member Galloway moved to approve the Notice of Intent to Award Mechanical Construction Contract for Municipal Complex Renovations to Allstates Mechanical, Ltd., in the amount of \$4,227,215.00; Member Palmer seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

**ITEM # 7 CONSIDERATION OF NOTICE OF INTENT TO AWARD
ELECTRICAL CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT FOR MUNICIPAL
COMPLEX RENOVATIONS TO QPI ELECTRICAL CO., INC., IN
THE AMOUNT OF \$4,290,000, WHICH INCLUDES THE FIRE
ALARM ALTERNATE OF \$209,000**

Member Galloway moved to approve the Notice of Intent to Award Electrical Construction Contract for Municipal Complex Renovations to QPI Electrical Co., Inc. in the amount of \$4,290,000, which includes the Fire Alarm Alternate of \$209,000; Member Palmer seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

ITEM # 8 CONSIDERATION OF PROPOSAL FROM GENERAL CODE FOR MAPLINK

Manager Takita said the board is being asked to consider a proposal from General Code for a MapLink system. This provides an interactive zoning map using our GIS files. The total cost is \$10,640. This includes a one-time project build price in the amount of \$7,995 and an annual maintenance for approximately \$2,600 per year. Member Palmer asked if this was in the budget. Manager Takita said yes. Member Galloway moved to approve the proposal from General Code for MapLink; Member Palmer seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

ITEM # 9 CONSIDERATION OF ESCROW RELEASE REQUEST

Member Galloway moved to approve escrow releases for Abington Reldan Metals LLC in the amounts of \$305.39 and \$58,678.85; Member Palmer seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

ITEM # 10 APPOINTMENTS TO VARIOUS BOARDS, COUNCILS, COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS

There was no action on this agenda item.

ITEM # 11 MINUTES – APRIL 24, MAY 22, JUNE 12 & JUNE 26, 2023

Member Galloway moved to approve the minutes for April 24, 2023; Member Boraski seconded the motion; all board members were in favor with the exception of Member Mullen who abstained from the vote. (4-0-1)

Member Galloway moved to approve the minutes for May 22, 2023; Member Mullen seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

Member Galloway moved to approve the minutes for June 12, 2023; Member Mullen seconded the motion; all board members were in favor with the exception of Member Boraski who abstained from the vote. (4-0-1)

Member Mullen moved to approve the minutes for June 26, 2023; Member Palmer seconded the motion; all board members were in favor with the exception of Member Galloway who abstained from the vote. (4-0-1)

ITEM # 12 ENGINEERS REPORT

Member Galloway moved to accept the Engineers Report; Member Palmer seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

ITEM # 13 BILL LIST

Member Boraski moved to approve the bill list in the amount of \$2,128,017.46; Member Mullen seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

ITEM # 14 ENGINEERING BILL LIST

Member Galloway moved to approve the Engineering bill list in the amount of \$357,042.35; Member Boraski seconded the motion; all board members were in favor with the exception of Chairman Dence. (4-0-1)

ITEM # 15 EXECUTIVE SESSION

Ms. Gallagher said the board held an Executive Session prior to this meeting to discuss several matters of personnel and potential litigation.

ITEM # 16 POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Chief Nelson Whitney provided the following update:
For the month of June:

- There were 1,581 calls for service in the month of June which included 79 accidents. Chief Whitney said during this time five years ago in 2018, the year-to-date total for overdoses was 67 compared to year-to-date for this year total at 28. Although there are still people struggling in our community, things are trending in a better direction.
- We went to the County to talk about their Everbridge alert system.
- Chief Whitney attended a tabletop training exercise at Reldan Metals with their staff and two Co-Presidents. This is part of our outreach to businesses in Falls Township.
- On July 18th, Chief Whitney attended the Bucks County Re-Entry Coalition Committee. This is for those individuals who are exiting incarceration and integrating into the community.
- Our Youth Police Academy is ongoing. There are approximately 30 cadets. Graduation will be this Thursday at 2:00 p.m.

ITEM # 17 MANAGER COMMENT

Manager Takita said the Township relocated to 430-450 Lincoln Highway and will be open to the public starting tomorrow. Manager Takita thanked Mr. Lawson and the Public Works Department for seamlessly moving the entire building. It was a tremendous effort on their part.

ITEM # 18 BOARD COMMENT

Member Palmer – no comment.

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Member Mullen – no comment.

Member Boraski – no comment.

Member Galloway said the summer is going by fast so enjoy it while you can.

Chairman Dence said this past weekend had very nice weather. Chairman Dence thanked Middletown Township for hosting us for the next 18 months.

Member Galloway moved to adjourn the meeting; Member Boraski seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0) The meeting was adjourned at 7:16 p.m.



Brian Galloway, Secretary

