BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING

ROLL CALL:
ROBERT HARVIE, JR., CHAIRMAN
JONATHAN SNIPES, VICE-CHAIRMAN
JEFFRY DENCE, SECRETARY-TREASURER
PHILIP SZUPKA, SUPERVISOR
DOROTHY VISLOSKY, SUPERVISOR

The meeting commenced at 7:30 p.m. with roll call and salute to the flag. All Board members were present with the exception of Member Vislosky. Member Vislosky joined the meeting at 7:44 p.m. Also present were Township Manager Peter Gray, Township Solicitor Michael Clarke, and Township Engineer James Sullivan.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION – ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF PETER CORRADETTI FOR 50 YEARS OF SERVICE TO LEVITTOWN FIRE CO. NO. 1

Chairman Harvie read a proclamation from the township to Mr. Peter Corradetti, an active life-time member of the Levittown Fire Co. No. 1. The Board congratulated Mr. Corradetti for his 50 years of volunteer service.

ITEM # 1  SAMAX ENTERPRISES – WAIVER OF LAND DEVELOPMENT – 1001 NEW FORD MILL ROAD – TPN 13-51-1-1

Manager Gray introduced this item. Ms. Kim Friedmuth, Esq. and Mr. Phil Kashner represent the applicant. Ms. Friedmuth said they are seeking waiver of land development approval for construction of an external covered containment area, concrete apron, and six handicapped parking spaces. Mr. Kashner described the plans on the diagram. Ms. Friedmuth said Samax will mix, package, and store paint removers, solvants, and other products. The majority of the building will be used for packaging, office, and storage space. There will be a 2,500 sq. ft. enclosed area which will be used for mixing purposes. Ms. Friedmuth said they appeared before the Planning Commission on February 18, 2010 and received a recommendation of conditional approval as well as recommendation for nine waivers they are seeking. They have a February 12, 2010 review letter from Mr. Sullivan’s office, a letter from Traffic Planning and Design, and a January 27, 2010 letter from the fire marshal. They will comply with all of these letters. The requested waivers deal with the waiver of land development application, curbing, parking stalls/drive aisles, planting beds, shade trees, street trees, concrete curbs along frontage, traffic impact study, and storm water ordinance regarding pipe size. The developer will offer a fee in lieu of a portion of the required trees.

(Member Vislosky joined the meeting at 7:44 p.m.)
Member Szupka had concern with the amount of waivers. He said if the storm drain should be 15”, then they should provide 15”, not 12”. Member Snipes asked Mr. Sullivan if the 12” pipe is adequate. Mr. Sullivan said the 12” pipe in this area is adequate. It is a sufficient size for the area where the storm water will be collected. Member Snipes asked if there were currently any islands. Ms. Friedmuth said no. Member Snipes asked why the containment area was necessary. Mr. Kashner said they will have tanks for storing chemicals. If there is a spill it would all be contained. Member Dence was also concerned about the pipe size and the number of waivers. Member Dence and Chairman Harvie asked about the traffic. Mr. Joe Fleishman said they will have one 8-hr. shift. They expect tanker deliveries once or twice a week at most. They will utilize rail in the back of the property. Most of their shipments are full or half truck loads. They package their finished product into 1-gal. containers. They may have one or two trucks a day at most leaving their facility. Member Vislosky said she has thoroughly studied the plan. She is disturbed by the way they roll out the red carpet for anything at U.S. Steel. Member Vislosky spoke about 14 years of tax-free status while the paying industries don’t get these kind of favors. Chairman Harvie said this project is not inside the KIPC zone. Member Vislosky questioned who is monitoring the yearly applications the companies have to complete for the KOIZ status. She said she is not prepared to grant waivers to a non tax-paying company that has sheltered most of its 6-1/2 sq. miles out there into the tax-free zone for 14 years. Chairman Harvie said this project is not within KOIZ and they are currently paying taxes. Member Vislosky said she wants to alert the taxpayers in the township to register to vote because the teachers’ contract expires on June 30th of this year. Chairman Harvie asked Mr. Sullivan if he had any comments or questions about the waiver request. Mr. Sullivan said not at this time, Chairman Harvie asked Ms. Friedmuth if she had any comments about the resolution. Ms. Friedmuth said no. Member Snipes moved to open public comment; Member Dence seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0) Mr. Ray Erickson asked about the containment area, and if there were any kind of detection in place. Mr. Fleishman said if there is a tank spillage, they have to call in a special company to clean it up. The basic containment has to be approved, inspected, and tested by the DEP. The storm water will not be released into the ground. Mr. Erickson asked if there would be a counting in regard to solvents that are delivered as compared to those being packaged and shipped. Mr. Fleishman said yes, and this is a requirement by the DEP. Member Vislosky thinks the argument is very thin that this has existed so they should allow it to continue to exist. Member Vislosky gave an example about development on Woolston Drive in regard to sidewalks and curbs. She does not think they should grant so many waivers in this township that depart from a zoning ordinance intended to develop with a steady, sensible rationale. Member Snipes moved to close public comment; Member Dence seconded the motion; all board members were in favor with the exception of Member Vislosky who voted no. (4-1) Member Vislosky said she received the resolution in her packet and then finds the same resolution in today’s packet. Chairman Harvie said the newer one had the comments from Traffic Planning and Design added to it. Member Vislosky said she does not want to receive anything at the last minute. Member Vislosky asked if the solicitor was having weekly meetings with Mr. Gray and the chairman. Mr. Clarke said he meets with Chairman Harvie and Mr. Gray every Tuesday to go over township business. Chairman Harvie said it is not an issue that he is meeting with the solicitor and the manager to discuss township
business. Manager Gray said there were some additional items that were necessary to provide on Monday that they did not have on Thursday. They did that in advance in the event of a possible snowstorm. Member Vislosky said she always finds last minute things that she doesn’t have a chance to study. She said this practice should not happen. Manager Gray said the two items that were sent were the minutes and just one other two-page document. Member Szupka said she wants everything in her packet by the cut-off date. If any amendments need to be made, the item can be rescheduled to another meeting with another agenda. Member Szupka said in the resolution it does talk about turn templates being done. Chairman Harvie said they can approve this resolution minus the section for the traffic study. Member Snipes moved to approve Resolution # 10-05, waiver of land development for Samax Enterprises, 1001 New Ford Mill Road with the exception of not granting the waiver for the traffic impact study, Section 191-78D17. There was no second to the motion. Member Vislosky moved to table this item; Member Szupka seconded the motion. Mr. Clarke asked Ms. Friedmuth if her client would agree to an extension of time for the board to consider granting this application. Ms. Friedmuth said they would be willing to grant an extension through March 16, 2010. A vote was taken on Member Vislosky’s motion; all board members were in favor with the exception of Member Snipes and Chairman Harvie who voted no. (3-2)

ITEM # 2 CONSIDER APPROVAL OF GEESE MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT AT THE FALLS TOWNSHIP COMMUNITY PARK

Manager Gray said a proposal from S&S Professional Wildlife Control Services has been secured for goose management at the Falls Township Community Park. This proposal includes permits with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife and egg addling. The total cost of this project is $5,225. Mr. Bill Reese and Mr. John Gillis were present. Mr. Reese gave information about trying to manage the goose population at the community park. Member Szupka said he understands swans are an enemy of geese and maybe they could try a couple of fake swans out on the water. Member Dence moved to open public comment; Member Szupka seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0) Mr. Ray Erickson said in recent years he has seen a number of turkey buzzards and has recently seen two peregrine falcons. He said a lot of birds and small animals see and hear the peregrine falcons and wondered if the geese had the same type of sensitivity as peregrine falcons. Member Szupka moved to close public comment; Member Dence seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0) Member Dence moved to approve the geese management agreement for 2010 at the price of $5,225; Member Szupka seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0) Member Szupka moved to allow the Parks and Rec Department to purchase a dozen more foxes at the cost of $30 a pair to use at the community park; Member Vislosky seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)
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ITEM # 3 CONSIDER PURCHASE OF PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT FOR VALLEY DAY, KIRBY PARK, AND PENN’S GRANT PARK PLAYGROUNDS

Manager Gray said the township has secured quotes to install playground equipment at three township parks, from the Costars list. The total cost is $63,540 from George Ely Associates. Chairman Harvie asked about the lifespan for this equipment. Mr. Ely said the lifespan should be fifteen years, but could be as long as twenty-five years, depending on the amount of use. They are looking at about 5-6 weeks for the equipment to be delivered and another week or two for installation. Member Snipes moved to approve the purchase of playground equipment from George Ely Associates for the three township parks in the amount of $63,540; Member Dence seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

ITEM # 4 CONSIDER AUTHORIZING ADVERTISEMENT OF BID FOR BUS SERVICES FOR 2010 SUMMER CAMP PROGRAM

Member Vislosky moved to authorize advertisement of bid for bus services for the 2010 summer camp program; Member Dence seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

ITEM # 5 CONSIDER AUTHORIZING ADVERTISEMENT OF BID FOR CHLORINE AND MURIATIC ACID FOR THE PINewood POOL FOR 2010

Member Vislosky moved to authorize advertisement of bid for chlorine and muriatic acid for the Pinewood Pool for 2010; Member Dence seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

ITEM # 6 CONSIDER AUTHORIZING ADVERTISEMENT OF BID FOR A POOL SLIDE FOR THE PINewood POOL

Manager Gray and Mr. Bill Reese gave information on the defective pool slide. Manager Gray said they are currently waiting for the Costars program to put these items on their list. Member Snipes asked about the cost of the slide that is causing problems. Mr. Reese said it was just under $10,000. Member Snipes suggested that maybe the current slide could be fixed. Member Dence moved to open public comment; Member Snipes seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0) Mr. Gallus Obert agrees with Member Snipes that the current slide should be fixed. If it cannot be fixed then there is something wrong. Mr. Ray Erickson asked about diving boards and slides at the LPRA pools and the Fairless Hills pool. Mr. Erickson asked if they were also bidding for water testing as part of the pool chemical purchase. Chairman Harvie said the lifeguards do the testing of the water. Member Dence moved to close public comment; Member Szupka seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0) Member Dence moved to authorize advertisement of bid for a pool slide for the Pinewood Pool; Member Szupka seconded the motion; all board members were in favor with the exception of Member Snipes who voted no. (4-1) Mr. Reese said that once a week, the county health department also tests the water.
ITEM # 7 CONSIDER PURCHASE OF JOHN DEERE GATOR FOR USE IN THE COMMUNITY PARK BY PARKS & RECREATION SECURITY DEPARTMENT AND THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

The township has the quote for $8,499.15 from John Deere and is off of the state bid list. Mr. John Gillis said the truck he drives takes up the entire walking path at the community park. Member Vislosky moved to approve the purchase of a John Deere Gator from John Deere in the amount of $8,499.15; Member Dence seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

ITEM # 8 CONSIDER SELECTION OF ELECTRICAL CONTRACTOR FOR TRAFFIC SIGNAL MAINTENANCE

Member Dence moved to approve an agreement with Armour & Sons Electric; Member Szupka seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0) Member Vislosky moved to instruct the manager to invoke a 30-day notice for the Precision Electric agreement; Member Dence seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

ITEM # 9 CONSIDER AUTHORIZING ADVERTISEMENT OF AMENDMENT TO TOWNSHIP CODE – ESTABLISHING 401 RETIREMENT ACCOUNT

Member Snipes moved to authorize advertisement of amendment to township code for Establishing 401 Retirement Account; Member Szupka seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

ITEM # 10 CONSIDER DISABILITY RETIREMENT OF LT. WYNNE CLOUD

Manager Gray said disability retirement for Lt. Wynne Cloud has been approved by the pension committee and they are recommending approval by the Board of Supervisors. Member Dence moved to open public comment; Member Snipes seconded the motion; all board members were in favor with the exception of Member Vislosky who voted no. (4-1) Mr. Roland Kenney said this is one of the officers who helped solve a cold case at the Roy Rogers restaurant. He provided good service and he hopes everyone remembers all of the people who serve here in our township. Member Dence moved to close public comment; Member Snipes seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0) Member Vislosky moved to approve the disability retirement for Lt. Wynne Cloud effective March 3, 2010; Member Szupka seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0) There was a break in the meeting at 9:02 p.m. and the meeting reconvened at 9:08 p.m.

ITEM # 11 PUBLIC COMMENT – FIVE MINUTE PER PERSON FORTY-FIVE MINUTE MAXIMUM

Mr. Roland Kenney said there has been a lot of news about public criticism and mistrust at every level of government and in many cases, it may be deserved. Mr. Kenney said he finds that our state representative John Galloway’s reforms are always in the public interest and
not self-interest. Mr. Kenney said his experience with his office has always resulted in a positive response with any reasonable request. He especially appreciates the $25,000 donation to the ball field. Mr. Kenney said Ms. Anne Clemens has volunteered at Pennsbury Manor for the past 30 years and will soon be retiring from her position. On March 14th, Pennsbury Manor will have Charter Day from 1-4 p.m. He invites the public to come out to visit. They will be opening a new exhibit. Mr. Kenney asks the public to stop by to thank Ms. Anne Clemens for her support over the past 30 years.

Mr. Guido Mariani said the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers wants to hear from the public prior to issuing Falls Township the permit for the boat ramp project. Their decision to issue a permit will be based on several factors. Mr. Mariani said he has only seen two people come to this board to support this project and they were using New Jersey boat docks. Mr. Mariani said his feeling is that government should not be in the business of providing amusements for specific interests with taxpayer money. Mr. Mariani spoke about the numerous boat ramps in the area and asked if they really need a boat ramp here in Falls Township. He said his answer is no. Mr. Mariani is concerned over the subsequent costs to maintain a boat ramp and said any project becomes part of the upcoming budget for years to come. This project is un-necessary and un-wanted and he believes there are better uses for that money. Mr. Mariani said if you have concerns over this project, you can write to: District Engineer, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Philadelphia District, Wannamaker Building 100, 10 Square East, Philadelphia, PA 19107. Whether you are for this project or against it, you have to have your comments in by the end of March.

Mr. Gallus Obert said the boat ramp will cost $1.2M. Along with the boat ramp is the skatepark and the dog park. Mr. Obert asked why there is a need for lights and a rampmaster shack at the boat ramp when the park closes before dark. He asked if they were going to pay an employee. He doesn’t think that should happen. He has a problem with the location of the boat ramp and asked about the borrrings for where they plan to dredge. Mr. Obert feels the meeting should be in Falls Township, not Philadelphia. Mr. Obert asked about the sidewalks for New Falls Road and said that road is not designed to have sidewalks. Mr. Obert encourages the public to attend the school board meetings. Mr. Obert asked how much money was in the township savings. Manager Gray said there is between $38M and $40M in the long-term restricted savings account.

Mrs. Liz Reese & Mrs. Debbie Martier were present representing Three Arches. Mrs. Reese said they will not have a Ladies Tea this year. The committee will focus their efforts and finances on a big celebration for the 300th anniversary of the Three Arches which will take place in 2012. Mrs. Reese said they want to include family members of the Sotcher family and any Three Arches caretakers. They will have a meeting in September. If anyone is interested in joining the committee, please call 215-547-7823. Member Vislosky said she wishes to be part of that celebration and will give Mrs. Reese an e-mail for that purpose. Mrs. Reese said they would like to get something in the newspaper soon and if anyone has any connections for the Sotcher family or previous caretakers to please contact them. Mrs. Reese said they will feature a walk-through of the Three Arches from the beginning to the present day.
Mrs. Dorothy Vislosky said she doesn’t think the school board liked her attending their meeting and asked for support for a zero-tax increase. Mrs. Vislosky told the taxpayers that this is their chance to take back the school district for the children and the taxpayers. There are four seats coming up next year. Mrs. Vislosky said there were 22,976 registered voters for the last Primary Election and 19,239 did not vote. She said only 3,737 voted in the Primary Election. Mrs. Vislosky spoke about a Letter to the Editor suggesting that she might not be a patriot because there is a shredded flag in front of her home. Mrs. Vislosky said her flagpole was vandalized. She cannot use the ropes to lower the flag because the halyard was cut. Mrs. Vislosky spoke about the homeland security e-mail that she read about a month ago and said she was mocked after the meeting because of the person who was quoted in the e-mail. Mrs. Vislosky read a memorandum regarding a comment by Norman Schwarzkopf.

Mr. Andy Dell said he spoke with Mr. Fleishman from Samax about the traffic study. Chairman Harvie said the majority of the board felt that a traffic study was necessary. Mr. Sullivan said he does not recall any recent traffic studies being done. Mr. Dell said sometimes you have to work with businesses because people cannot afford to wait months for approval. He said we have to help these people start their businesses. Mr. Dell said Falls Township is a very expensive place for permitting. Chairman Harvie said there were nine waivers that were being requested. For the most part, the board was okay with eight of them. Chairman Harvie explained the purpose for the traffic study. He said he has spoken with Mr. Bennett a number of times and our permit fees are in line with what other municipalities are charging. Mr. Dell questioned why people have to pay Falls Township a percentage of the cost for a project as opposed to a flat fee. Mr. Dell does not think this is fair. He asked about when you see someone come out to your building three or four times and you are paying $20,000 - $30,000, where does the money go? Manager Gray said all cash is deposited into the general fund to pay the expenses of whatever is related to the job. Member Vislosky said she is part of the zoning ordinance and that she does not like waivers. She doesn’t like having waivers when the little guy has to do everything that the ordinance says and the rich and famous gets preferential treatment. Member Vislosky spoke about attending the February 18th school board meeting. She said Mr. Simon Campbell spoke about the fees paid for the Oxford Valley School renovations. He was told that Falls Township gave the Pennsbury schools a break on the fees when they were doing the Oxford Valley School. Pennsbury paid about $60,000 and they went to Lower Makefield for renovations for another school and they got hit with something like $250,000. Member Vislosky thinks there needs to be fair and equitable treatment. She does not like the teachers union and they don’t like her. Member Szupka said it was noted in some of the documentation for the Samax project that the turning radius was not being done correctly.

Mr. Simon Campbell (Lower Makefield resident and member of the Pennsbury School Board). Mr. Campbell spoke about permit fees. One of the positions the school board put him in is to be liaison to Lower Makefield Township. The school district has a construction project in which Lower Makefield charged $250,000 and Falls Township charged $60,000 for a similar project. Mr. Campbell said he doesn’t understand any municipality profiting from permit fees. He wants to know who he can talk to in Falls Township about what went on with the permit fees for the Oxford Valley School to get a better understanding of what
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happened. Chairman Harvie asked Mr. Campbell to give his contact information to Manager Gray.

ITEM #12 MINUTES – FEBRUARY 16, 2010

Member Szupka said he voted no on item #8 for the February 16, 2010 minutes. The vote should be 3-2 on that item. Member Vislosky said the minutes are terrible. She spoke about the Mucci complaints and commented on how she will help those who have suffered at the expense of Mr. Mucci. She would like the Board of Supervisors to send a letter to the district attorney’s office saying they are in support of an investigation for the Mucci Ponzi scheme. Chairman Harvie said if Member Vislosky has knowledge of any wrong-doing, to turn it in. Member Snipes moved to approve the amended minutes for February 16, 2010; Member Dence seconded the motion; all board members were in favor with the exception of Member Szupka and Member Vislosky who both voted no. (3-2)

ITEM #13 EXECUTIVE SESSION – There was no Executive Session held.

ITEM #14 MANAGER COMMENT

1. Manager Gray said the GIS system for the code department is available for the board to consider. This will replace the MEA system and would be a purchase from the county. Member Dence moved to open public comment; Member Szupka seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0) Mr. Ray Erickson asked about issues with shifting of property posts and surveying. Mr. Sullivan said this software is for identifying owners of parcels, not for surveying properties. Every property has a deed and the deed is tied to it. Member Dence moved to close public comment; Member Snipes seconded the motion; all board members were in favor with the exception of Member Vislosky who was not present for the vote. (4-0) Member Dence moved to purchase the GIS system from Bucks County for $2,000; Member Snipes seconded the motion; all board members were in favor with the exception of Member Vislosky who was not present for the vote. (4-0)

2. Member Snipes moved to release funds in the amount of $6,000 from the budget for Historic Fallsington for Fallsington Day on October 9, 2010; Member Dence seconded the motion; all board members were in favor with the exception of Member Vislosky who was not present for the vote. (4-0)

3. Member Szupka moved to ratify the state of emergency for February 25, 2010 at 8 a.m. until February 26, 2010 at noon; Member Dence seconded the motion; all board members were in favor with the exception of Member Vislosky who was not present for the vote. (4-0)

4. Manager Gray said the Children’s Easter Egg Hunt will be held on Saturday, March 20th at Phase 1 of the Falls Township Community Park. The time is 1 p.m. and is for children 2-10 years of age.

5. The Annual Basketball Foul Shooting Contest will be held on Tuesday, March 23rd at the Oxford Valley Elementary School starting at 7 p.m. for ages 8-18.

6. Breakfast with the Easter Bunny will be held on Saturday, March 27th at the Three Arches. The time is 10 a.m. – 12 noon and is for children ages 2-10 years of age.
ITEM # 15 BOARD COMMENT

Member Dence asked about the amount of paper that is being thrown away. He asked the board to think about consolidating and recycling some of the paperwork. Chairman Harvie said Manager Gray has cut down on some of the copies they used to receive. There is some recycling in the township, but they could take a further look at this. Member Dence said Member Vislosky had brought up about something in their packets about the walking path on New Falls Road. Mr. Dence said that was something he was not in support of and asked if they were spending money. Chairman Harvie said the concept was done, but they haven’t yet decided on anything after that. Chairman Harvie said he has heard people say they should have it because people are walking on that roadway between St. Joseph The Worker Church and the high school. The study has been done and they will need to take a look at what to do. Chairman Harvie said his feeling is that they either make it safer or they put something in to discourage people from walking there.

Member Szupka said he had the opportunity to look at some old photographs on the township website. Some of the photographs are posted here as well. His father-in-law is 91 years old and Member Szupka said when he was showing the photographs to him, his eyes lit up. Member Szupka said if you have access to a computer, go to the website and it will bring back a lot of memories. Member Szupka said hopefully, John Bolaris and Hurricane Swartz will bring us calm weather news. He knows residents have cooperated and tried to do their fair share in clearing the snow. Member Szupka said the Public Works Department has put in a lot of time and the residents appreciate the hard work they do.

Member Snipes thanked Chairman Harvie for starting out the meeting on a positive note in honor of a gentleman who has given 50 years of volunteer service. Member Snipes said he had a chance to sit in on one of the Shade Tree Commission meetings. Member Snipes asked Manager Gray how many trees have been planted. Manager Gray said last year there were between 70 and 80 trees planted and this spring they are anticipating about 70 more trees. Member Snipes said this is a great example of people in the community volunteering and trying to help the community. Member Snipes thanked the Shade Tree Commission and others involved in helping with the trees. He said the state has recommended 40% tree coverage for our township and right now they are at about 20%. Member Snipes said if they can double the tree coverage, it would be a great thing for the community.

Member Vislosky thanked Member Dence for mentioning New Falls Road. She thinks our road department did a superb job in clearing the snow. Member Vislosky said she will pursue the Mucci matter and that they need to stand behind Mr. Bennett and the code department. Member Vislosky spoke about how you go into court and they cite these offenders and then the court does not have a chance to serve them because they hide from the constables. Member Vislosky said the alternative is not to sue civilly, but to go after them with title 42 crimes code and that way you can put them out of business. Member Vislosky hopes the township would also get behind this. Member Vislosky said the Trentonian was going to write about the Ponzi scheme that Jimmy Mucci is operating. Member Vislosky spoke about a family who lost money to Mr. Mucci. Chairman Harvie encourages anyone who has encountered this kind of situation to contact Mr. Tom Bennett.
Chairman Harvie said someone mentioned earlier about the boat ramp and how they have only heard from two people who were in favor of the boat ramp. Chairman Harvie said he was at an event last night and someone approached him wanting to know how to go about showing support for the boat ramp project. Chairman Harvie said when the process started and you are dealing with the river and the Army Corps of Engineers, things move at a different pace than you would like. Chairman Harvie said they have no control over how the Army Corps of Engineers operates. In terms of where they are having the hearing, that is up to the Army Corps of Engineers. In terms of the site for the actual boat ramp, the site is where the Army Corps of Engineers told the township to put it. As Member Snipes pointed out, they had a unique opportunity this evening to honor Mr. Peter Corradetti for his 50 years of service to the community. Chairman Harvie thanked all three fire companies for the constant work they do. He said the fire companies are always looking for volunteers and people should contact the fire companies if they are interested in joining. Chairman Harvie said around the time of the next meeting the Census Bureau will be mailing out questionnaires to all of the residents. Chairman Harvie spoke to someone at the Census Bureau and in 2000, only 72% of households mailed it back. The census only takes about ten minutes to fill out. It is something that helps us at the local level as well as the state and federal levels. It helps in a number of ways and also helps young children, senior citizens, and disabled individuals. Chairman Harvie said in order to help serve the community, they need to know who is living here. The Census Bureau is looking for volunteers and people to help those who might have trouble filling out the forms. If anyone is interested, please call 1-866-861-2010 or visit www.2010censusjobs.gov. Chairman Harvie said the Saint Patrick’s Day Parade will be held on Saturday, March 13th starting at St. Joseph The Worker Church and ending at Wistar Road.

Member Vislosky moved to adjourn the meeting; Member Dence seconded the motion; all Board members were in favor. (5-0) The meeting was adjourned at 10:29 p.m.

Jeffry Dence, Secretary