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TOWNSHIP OF FALLS
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING

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

The meeting commenced at 7:34 p.m. with roll call and salute to the flag. All Board members were present. Also present were Township Manager Peter Gray, Township Solicitor Michele Mintz, and Township Engineer James Sullivan. Chairman Harvie asked for a moment of silence in memory of Falls Township employee Patricia Reynolds.

Chairman Harvie said Ms. Liz Fisher asked to speak in regard to the dog law which impacts everyone in Pennsylvania. She said there has been a change in state dog laws that would allow each municipality to create and enforce their own dog laws. The Department of Agriculture told them they could strengthen their own dog laws and, in particular, the leash law. Ms. Fisher spoke of how some people would get out of paying for citations. If there continues to be a problem about the interpretation of the law, then they will go ahead and re-introduce an amendment. Ms. Fisher said she is encouraged tonight that Falls Township has a leash code law amendment on the agenda, as it is a matter of public safety. Ms. Fisher gave a few statistics from the Center for Disease Control. Member Vislosky said she has pictures of how badly Ms. Fisher’s dog was mauled and suggested that Ms. Fisher contact the District Justices and tell them how the law is being interpreted loosely. The board thanked Ms. Fisher for her efforts.

ITEM # 1 THE LEARNING EXPERIENCE – 8829 NEW FALLS ROAD - PRELIMINARY LAND DEVELOPMENT – TPN 13-19-218 & 219

Manager Gray introduced this item. The applicant plans to construct an 11,000 sq. ft. childcare center. The applicant is represented by Mr. Kurt Shaffer, Esq. and Mr. Michael Dippel, Engineer. Mr. Shaffer said they received approval from the Zoning Hearing Board and last month they received preliminary plan approval from the Planning Commission. Mr. Shaffer presented information on the proposed project. The existing building will be demolished. The Learning Experience accepts children ages 6 mo. to 5 yrs. of age. Mr. Shaffer reviewed the waiver requests which include: sidewalks, curbs, allowing the grading of slopes within 5 ft. of the property line, disturbance of steep slopes, driveways, parking, and a partial waiver for existing utility lines. Member Vislosky asked about the setback from PENNDOT to the building line. Mr. Dippel said the building is set back 55 ft. from the ultimate right of way line. The minimum front yard setback is 70 feet. The existing building is 3.11 ft. and they are setting the new building back 55 ft. Member Vislosky said this is a very busy street, the lot is too small for the project, and they are asking for a lot of
waivers. She said the best site for this project is on the Williams Tract near the charter school. Member Vislosky said New Falls Road is narrow and there is no room to make it wider. Member Vislosky said she would have liked to have Mr. Shaffer’s client attend this meeting. Member Snipes asked how many children this school would accommodate. Mr. Shaffer said the maximum amount is 180, but The Learning Center operates at 85% so the number of children would be about 155. The Learning Center offers full and half-day programs. Member Snipes asked Mr. Sullivan about the disturbance of steep slopes. Mr. Sullivan said they would have to disturb the man-made steep slope if they build the project as designed. He does not have any objections to getting a waiver from this item because they do not present any kind of natural resource. Member Snipes said he is not in favor of granting the waiver for the sidewalks or curbs. Member Dence said he would like the sidewalks and curbs to be included in this project. He has concerns with cars dropping off and backing up. Chairman Harvie gave Mr. Shaffer a copy of the May 28, 2010 Fire Marshal letter regarding fire apparatus access roads. Chairman Harvie said he is not in favor of the waivers for sidewalks and curbs. He did not see enough parking spaces for about 100 cars dropping off children. Mr. Shaffer explained what normally occurs when parents drop off their children. Chairman Harvie asked Mr. Baker from Traffic Planning and Design to comment on the traffic issue. Mr. Baker said it is pretty common to do a traffic study on a site such as this. The township ordinance is pretty lenient with the types of uses that require a traffic study. Mr. Baker said PENNDOT could possibly ask for a traffic study. Member Dence asked if the May 25th drawings were current or if they changed due to the issue with parking spaces. Mr. Shaffer said the township requires 37 spaces, but they will have a minimum of 41 or 42 spaces. Member Vislosky said if you take a look at that property right near the water tower, there is a dilapidated old building. She doesn’t mind seeing that torn down, but not at the expense of creating a nightmare by squeezing in this proposed building. Member Vislosky said New Falls Road needs remedial work. She said they do not want to ruin that roadway any further. It is not a suitable project for that site and she opposes it. Member Szupka said when he saw this project, he did some research on The Learning Center and they are regarded as one of the best types of daycare. Member Szupka said with this project, he sees a nightmare developing on New Falls Road as there will be another 100 or so cars using that roadway. He also has concern with the amount of waivers. Member Vislosky moved to table this project to a date certain so the public who use New Falls Road can attend the date certain meeting; Member Szupka seconded the motion; Member Szupka and Member Vislosky voted yes; Member Dence, Member Snipes, and Chairman Harvie voted no. The vote did not pass. (2-3) Chairman Harvie asked Mr. Shaffer if his client would be willing to do a traffic study for this site. Mr. Shaffer said he will certainly recommend it to his client. Member Vislosky said she is concerned with the size of the building, traffic, setback, and the safety of the citizens. Chairman Harvie asked Ms. Mintz if requesting a traffic study to include traffic counts and frequency, incoming and outgoing traffic flow, after-school starts, and added traffic on that road was an acceptable request. Ms. Mintz said yes. Member Dence moved to open public comment; Member Snipes seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0) Mr. Andy Dell asked if the township decided to put the sidewalk along the side of New Falls Road where The Learning Center would be located. Chairman Harvie said they have not yet made the decision regarding the sidewalks. Mr. Dell asked if this project could move
forward without the sidewalk and if the township decided to build them, the property owner could install them at that time, at his expense, so the sidewalk would be consistent. Member Vislosky said she believes a motion to table is the one that is the most sensible tonight. Ms. Norma Lindbloom said there used to be a charter school in the shopping center, but the school has moved. She said school traffic used to be there and does not believe this daycare center would have any more traffic than the school had. Member Snipes moved to close public comment; Member Dence seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0) Mr. Baker said a traffic study could take a week or two. They probably wouldn’t do any traffic counts until September when school is back in session so they are looking at a month to six weeks to complete the study. Member Vislosky moved to table to either the first Tuesday in October or the third Tuesday in September; Member Szupka seconded the motion; all board members were in favor with the exception of Member Snipes and Chairman Harvie who both voted no. (3-2)

ITEM # 2 MILL CREEK INN – MILL CREEK ROAD – FINAL PLAN OF LAND DEVELOPMENT – TPN 13-40-21 & 13-40-23

Mr. Doug Maloney, Esq. and Mr. Heath Dumack, Engineer, represent the applicant. Mr. Maloney said the applicant plans to build two additions totaling 1,250 sq. ft. onto an existing bar/restaurant. They will add a new septic system, expand the parking area, have a well-defined driveway area, and make overall site improvements. Mr. Maloney reviewed the list of waivers which include curbs, sidewalks, flood plain disturbance, and placement of monuments. They will install all monuments except for those that are under water. Member Szupka said he thought if the monument was to be placed within a body of water, they could install the marker 2-3 ft. near the body of water with the measurements and coordinates of how far out and which direction it would go. Mr. Dumack said what Member Szupka is talking about is an off-set monument. They could do something of that sort, but the actual physical corner is nowhere near the lake. Member Szupka said by placing it this could possibly, in the future, stop some other type of property line encroachment and it would eliminate another waiver. Member Snipes asked about the septic field disturbance. Mr. Sullivan had no concern about this. Mr. Maloney said they will comply with the May 3, 2010 fire marshal letter. Member Vislosky moved to approve Resolution # 2010-15 for the Mill Creek Inn final plan of land development, TPN 13-40-21 & 13-40-23; Member Dence seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

ITEM # 3 CONSIDER WEST TRENTON AVENUE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENTS STUDY PROPOSAL FROM TRAFFIC PLANNING AND DESIGN

Chairman Harvie gave an explanation for this traffic study. There is a program available that would allow for a study to be done and would be paid for by the state. They have made contact with Morrisville and Lower Makefield who are in favor of this program. If Falls Township decides to move ahead and authorize preparation of this grant to have 3 municipalities belong to it, this gives them a much better chance at getting approved than if it were a single municipality submitting the application. Mr. Baker said they submitted a proposal dated August 16, 2010 to prepare the study of the grant, and complete the
application for submission to PENNDOT. The cost is NTE $2,000. The application needs to be submitted by September 15, 2010 and they should know the decision on which projects will be funded by the end of the year. The project needs to be completed by the summer of 2012. The project will extend from Rt. 13 to River Road, through Morrisville Boro and Lower Makefield, as well as Falls Township. The application includes developing a statement of the problems, and talking about how some solutions can fit in with PENNDOT’s Smart Transportation program. Throughout the country, they realize that past solutions do not always fix the problem and building more roads and lanes isn’t always the solution. They try to come up with a plan that considers cost, impact on adjacent property owners, traffic, pedestrian safety, including multi-use transportation such as bikes, pedestrians, bus, and transit. The idea is to come up with a plan to help to improve those types of things. Member Snipes asked what other communities have done. Mr. Baker said they may have improved signal times, added additional lanes, installed signage, improved access management, and added sidewalks. Member Dence said he met with a lot of residents who live in Burgess Manor and there is an ongoing traffic problem. Mr. Baker said to do a study of this nature would be around $75,000 - $100,000. This is a reimbursement program, not a grant. Member Snipes moved to authorize $2,000 to Traffic Planning and Design to create the proposal to PENNDOT for the West Trenton Avenue Transportation Improvements Study; Member Dence seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

ITEM # 4 CONSIDER AUTHORIZING NOTICE OF INTENT TO AWARD BID FOR THE FALLSINGTON LIBRARY RENOVATIONS

Manager Gray said on August 16, 8 bids were opened for the Fallsington Library improvement project. The low bidder is Milestone Construction Management in the amount of $191,971.94 with an alternate of $25,996 for a total of $217,967.94. It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors authorize the township engineer to issue a notice of intent to award the bid to Milestone Construction Management in the amount of $217,967.94. The money is a Federal grant to preserve and renovate the library in Falls Township. Work to be done includes: structural repairs, roof, windows, doors, steps, shelving, and flooring. Mr. Sullivan said this contractor has not done any work in Falls Township as of yet, but they did some work in Middletown Township and may have been involved in work at Manor Elementary School. They have worked on projects anywhere from $50,000 to $20,000,000. They have done a number of library renovations in the City of Philadelphia and some historical structures as well as new standards. They appear to be eminently qualified for this project. Manager Gray said the grant is approximately $201,000. Member Szupka suggested that they also do the shelf work so the entire job will be complete. Member Vislosky moved to authorize the township engineer to issue a notice of intent to award the bid to Milestone Construction Management for the Fallsington Library renovations in the amount of $217,967.94; Member Szupka seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)
ITEM # 5  CONSIDER AUTHORIZING NOTICE OF INTENT TO AWARD BID
FOR THE 2010 ROAD PROJECT - RECONSTRUCTION

Manager Gray said on August 11th, bids were opened for the 2010 Road Project-Reconstruction. The lowest bidder was J. D. Morrissey Co. in the amount of $2,679,196. It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors authorize the township engineer to issue a notice of intent to award the bid to J. D. Morrissey Co. in the amount of $2,679,196. Mr. Sullivann said J. D. Morrissey Co. did some of the work in the section of Elderberry. This portion of the road project was budgeted at $3,000,000. Member Snipes moved to open public comment; Member Szupka seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0) Mr. Gallus Obert asked if this item was for the entire program. Chairman Harvie said this year's road program was divided up. This item is for the full depth total reconstruction. Member Dence moved to close public comment; Member Szupka seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0) Member Snipes moved to issue a notice of intent to award the bid for the 2010 Road Project-Reconstruction to J. D. Morrissey Co. in the amount of $2,679,196; Member Dence seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

ITEM # 6  CONSIDER ADOPTING RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING
REIMBURSEMENT OF PERMIT FEES FOR SIDEWALKS, APRONS,
AND/OR CURBS

Manager Gray introduced this item. Any homeowner whose road is to be included on an upcoming road program may be eligible for reimbursement of permit fees for installation of sidewalks installed during the current and prior calendar year and before the actual work begins. Chairman Harvie gave an explanation of this resolution. Member Vislosky asked if this would be retroactive and asked how far back it would go. Chairman Harvie said if you have done work on your property and the road program comes that year or the next year, it should be covered. If they did their sidewalk five years before the road program, it would not be covered. Property owners will be considered on a per property basis. Member Snipes said this relates to sidewalks, curbs, and aprons. Member Snipes understood that Mr. Smith felt reimbursement of the permit fees was a reasonable reimbursement for this. Member Vislosky explained that she believes the contractor who does not have to re-pave those sidewalks and curbs should be looked at for possible reimbursement to the homeowner. Mr. Sullivan said curbs, aprons, and sidewalks near the aprons need to be re-done. Member Szupka thought they were going to look at the entire price the homeowners have paid not just the permit fees and then reimburse the total amount on an individual basis. Member Szupka moved to table this so they can get it correct the first time and include wording that this will be handled on an individual basis along with the permits; Member Vislosky seconded the motion; Member Szupka and Member Vislosky voted yes; Member Dence, Member Snipes, and Chairman Harvie voted no. The motion did not pass. (2-3) (Member Vislosky left the meeting at 9:20 p.m.) Chairman Harvie asked Ms. Mintz about reimbursement other than permit fees. Ms. Mintz said she would have to look into the legality of any other type of reimbursement to the residents besides the permit fees, before she could comment on that. Member Snipes moved to approve Resolution # 2010-16, authorizing reimbursement of permit fees for sidewalks, aprons, and/or curbs; Member
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Dence seconded the motion; all board members were in favor with the exception of Member Szupka who voted no. (3-1)

ITEM # 7 CONSIDER CHANGE ORDER #1 FOR 2010 ROAD PROJECT (MILL AND Overlay)

Manager Gray said change order #1 for the 2010 Road Project (Mill and Overlay) is a decrease in the amount of $8,271.76. Mr. Sullivan said when the roads were milled most of the base was okay, but it wasn’t very thick. Rather than doing a lot of base repairs and then paving over that, they went through a process of putting down geotextile fabric. With this process, the roads should last another 15-20 years. For Fairless Hills, there was very little base. They curbed, milled, and then paved right on top of what was there. They needed a little less top course. It ended up saving a total of $8,271.76. Member Szupka moved to approve change order #1 for the 2010 Road Project (Mill and Overlay) in the amount of an $8,271.76 decrease to General Asphalt Paving Co.; Member Szupka seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (4-0)

ITEM # 8 CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT WITH THE MUNICIPALITIES OF BUCKS COUNTY – FIRE SERVICE

Manager Gray said this agreement states that the township will share resources, equipment, and manpower or any other form of existence, requested by other municipalities in the county or by the County itself. Member Szupka moved to approve the Mutual Aid Agreement with the Municipalities of Bucks County – Fire Service; Member Snipes seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (4-0)

ITEM # 9 CONSIDER ADOPTION OF CODE AMENDMENT TO CHAPTER 168, PARKS, SUBSECTION 15-1 (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS, LEASH LAW)

Chairman Harvie spoke about this amendment. He said if you are walking a dog in any of the township parks, the dog has to be on a leash no longer than 10 feet. Member Szupka moved to approve Ordinance # 2010-04, Code Amendment to Chapter 168, Parks, Subsection 15-1 (Miscellaneous Provisions, Leash Law); Member Snipes seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (4-0)

ITEM # 10 CONSIDER ADOPTION OF CODE AMENDMENT TO CHAPTER 74-RETIREMENT

Manager Gray said this change will allow the Public Works Department to sign with PMRS as their pension company. Member Szupka moved to approve Ordinance # 2010-05, Adoption of Code Amendment to Chapter 74-Retirement; Member Dence seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (4-0)

ITEM # 11 CONSIDER APPROVAL OF E T & T AGREEMENT

Manager Gray said this agreement is for consideration of a 3-year lease for telephone services with E T & T. The general maintenance agreement will run from June 20, 2010 to
June 19, 2013. The total cost for 3 years is $15,255. Member Snipes moved to approve the 3-year E T & T agreement to run from June 20, 2010 to June 19, 2013 in the amount of $15,255; Member Dence seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (4-0)

ITEM # 12 CONSIDER TERMINATION OF LEASE WITH HALE-SMITH

Manager Gray said as of June 30, 2010, the tenant Hale-Smith has vacated their space from the township office building. Hale-Smith will pay rent through November 30, 2010. If another tenant is found between now and November 30th, Hale-Smith will not be responsible for the rent. Member Snipes moved to approve the termination of lease with Hale-Smith; Member Dence seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (4-0)

ITEM # 13 CONSIDER AUTHORIZING ADVERTISEMENT OF 2011 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT HEARING (SENIOR CENTER)

Manager Gray said the township will file an application for a Community Development Block Grant for funds in the amount of $385,195. As part of the application process, the township must hold a public hearing to discuss the project. The hearing will be scheduled the week before the second Board of Supervisors meeting in September. The tentative date is September 15, 2010 at 2 p.m. Member Snipes moved to authorize advertisement of the 2011 Community Development Block Grant Hearing; Member Dence seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (4-0)

ITEM # 14 PUBLIC COMMENT – FIVE MINUTE LIMIT PER PERSON FORTY-FIVE MINUTE MAXIMUM

Mr. Guido Mariani wanted to know what the township spent for costing out various projects such as the boat ramp, the senior center, and the New Falls Road pedestrian path. Chairman Harvie said the study for the New Falls Road pedestrian path was about $45,000. Mr. Mariani said each of these projects, that he feels was un-necessary, cost quite a bit of money. Mr. Mariani said you are making budgets that are not sustainable without Waste Management fees. Eventually these fees will go away and every project that you have made will require a tax increase for the people of Falls Township. Mr. Mariani spoke about geothermal technology. He commented on the Department of Energy’s report on the benefits of geo-thermal technology. Reports show the investment could be re-couped within 3 years. Mr. Mariani said this system does not require a back-up system, and it does not require sun or wind. He would like to see the Board of Supervisors schedule a public presentation. He thinks there is great promise for geo-thermal technology.

Mr. Roland Kenney said Patricia Reynolds will be missed. In regard to the Challenger Field, Mr. Kenney asked if we received the money from Senator McIlhinney. Since the money has not yet been received, Mr. Kenney thinks that since Member Vislosky promised the $40,000, she should write a check for that amount.

Ms. Kim Lake spoke on behalf of the Fairless Hills Athletic Association. She thanked the board members who attended the opening day ceremony. The association is still interested
in a field being built for the 13-14 year olds. Ms. Lake said it is important that they have a place to play. They had been paying $150 per game to rent a field and they have 13 or 14 games a season so it is very costly to rent a field. Ms. Lake said if the board needs any information, they can contact her or Joe Jones. Chairman Harvie said he has been e-mailing back and forth with Mr. Jones and had Mr. Sullivan take a look at the Quaker Penn Park. A field will fit at the park. Chairman Harvie said he made phone calls to other facilities, but there are no other fields available. Chairman Harvie said use of the field will probably be run through the Parks and Rec Department.

Mr. Gallus Obert announced Pennsbury School Board meetings which are to be held Thursday, August 19th and Thursday, August 26th at 8 p.m. each night. He strongly urges the public to attend. Mr. Obert asked about ‘shovel ready’ and the proposed traffic signal project at the Tyburn Road and New Falls Road intersection. Manager Gray said the township received notification in late July from the Delaware River Joint Toll Bridge Authority that Falls Township’s application to obtain grant money to fix the problem was denied. Mr. Obert asked about a recent stop sign study costing $2,500. He said he looked in the code book and asked if they paid $2,500 for every stop sign in Falls Township. Chairman Harvie said most stop signs have probably been there a lot longer than the code has been around. PENNDOT requires them to do the study to explain why they needed to put the stop sign at that location. Mr. Obert does not agree with spending money on a stop sign study. Mr. Obert asked about the New Falls Road sidewalks from Hood Boulevard all the way down to St. Joseph The Worker. He asked about the figure of $2,229,500 to install the walkway. Chairman Harvie said there are several different options to take into consideration if they decide to move forward with that project. Mr. Obert said he saw that a price calculation was done on February 16, 2009 and asked if the price would change if the project is not done until 2012. Chairman Harvie said they have not yet decided what to do. Mr. Obert asked if they did a study of how many accidents there have been on this road involving pedestrians. He thinks that should be a pre-requisite for this project. Mr. Obert asked if the township was planning to put a boat ramp in the community park. Chairman Harvie said there is already a boat ramp in the community park. Mr. Obert said he took a look at the drawings for Biles Island and said the island now has 5 lakes. He counted 11 soccer fields. Mr. Obert asked if a boat ramp would be planned for Biles Island. Chairman Harvie said they have not yet made any decisions on Biles Island.

Member Szupka left the meeting at 9:56 p.m. as he was not feeling well. There was a break in the meeting at 9:56 p.m. and the meeting reconvened at 10:07 p.m.

ITEM # 15  MINUTES – JULY 20, 2010

Member Snipes moved to approve the minutes from July 20, 2010; Member Dence seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (3-0)

ITEM # 16  ENGINEER’S REPORT

Mr. Sullivan said the Challenger Field is almost complete. The field will be ready for use sometime in September. There will be a pre-construction meeting with the contractor and the Conservation District for the Quaker Penn Boat Ramp on August 18th. After that a
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meeting will be set up with the Army Corps of Engineers. Member Snipes moved to approve the July, 2010 Engineer’s Report; Member Dence seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (3-0)

ITEM #17 BILL LIST – AUGUST 17, 2010

Member Snipes moved to approve the bill list dated August 17, 2010 in the amount of $1,884,460.33; Member Dence seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (3-0)

ITEM #18 EXECUTIVE SESSION – There was no Executive Session held.

ITEM #19 MANAGER COMMENT

1. Member Dence moved to approve to have Keystone Aerial Surveys, Inc. create a topographic map of the Falls Township Community Park in the amount of $3,685; Member Snipes seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (3-0)

2. Member Snipes moved to approve escrow release #2 to Nova Tube and Steel in the amount of $20,991.98; Member Dence seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (3-0)

3. Member Snipes moved to grant the extension of time to CVA, Inc. to November 20, 2010 for their preliminary land development plan; Member Dence seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (3-0)

4. Member Snipes moved to approve the purchase of a copier for the police department from Saab Office Equipment in the amount of $4,875; Member Dence seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (3-0)

5. Manager Gray said the Falls Township Parks and Rec Department will have a movie night on Saturday, August 21st at 8:30 p.m. The movie is Alvin and the Chipmunks the Squeakquel. The final teen dance will be held at the Pinewood Pool on Thursday, August 26th from 7:45 – 10:30 p.m. Price is $3 per teen aged 12-16. The Falls Township Family Festival will be held on Saturday, September 11th from 3-9 p.m. at the Falls Township Community Park. The rain date is Saturday, September 18th. For more information on any of these events, please contact the Parks and Rec Department at 215-949-9000, x220, x221, or x222.

6. Manager Gray has mylars for Samax and SIMS Metal.

ITEM #20 BOARD COMMENT

Member Dence said there will be a ‘Backyard Barbeque’ cook-off to be held during the Family Festival. This event is sponsored by the Bucks County Courier Times and Smokin’ Dudes. There are a couple of thousand dollars in prize money to be won.

Member Snipes said he received an e-mail from Mr. Mike Johnson, an employee of Pennsbury Manor. Pennsbury Manor has asked the township if they could help support the “Holly Night” event, held yearly at Pennsbury Manor. Member Snipes asks the board to consider making a donation. He said this is a heavily-attended event which attracts many Falls Township residents. Member Snipes would like to support Mr. Mariani’s
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recommendation to have someone attend a township meeting and present information on geo-thermal technology. Chairman Harvie said they can explore this and come back to take a look at it. Member Snipes said he has had interactions with Ms. Patricia Reynolds and will remember her fondly.

Chairman Harvie thanked the board members for a productive meeting tonight. He said The Learning Experience project is interesting and he looks forward to seeing the results of the traffic study. Chairman Harvie said Ms. Lindbloom brought up a good point that there had previously been school traffic on this road when the Charter School was located not far from the proposed location for The Learning Center. Chairman Harvie said they will be going back to 2 meetings per month starting in September. September’s meetings will be held on the 7th and 21st.

Member Snipes moved to adjourn the meeting; Member Dence seconded the motion; all Board members were in favor. (3-0) The meeting was adjourned at 10:24 p.m.

Jerry Dence, Secretary