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	ABSENT
DOROTHY VISLOSKY, SUPERVISOR	PRESENT

The meeting commenced at 7:03 p.m. with roll call and salute to the flag. All board members were present with the exception of Member Szupka. Also present were Township Manager Peter Gray, Township Solicitor Michael Clarke, and Township Engineer James Sullivan.

ITEM # 1 CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS – 11 HILLSIDE LANE - TPN 13-20-272 - NEW HOME CONSTRUCTION

Manager Gray said this item was approved by the Historic Architecture Review Board on October 4, 2011. Mr. Harry Stoop, the applicant, gave some information on the project. Member Vislosky moved to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness for a new home construction at 11 Hillside Lane; Member Snipes seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (4-0)

ITEM # 2 CONSIDER AUTHORIZING ADVERTISEMENT OF AMENDMENT TO CHAPTER 209.92 - ZONING; COMPLAINTS OF VIOLATIONS

Manager Gray said this proposed amendment requires the Zoning Officer to report the results of investigations relating to any complaints or violations of Chapter 209 to the Township Manager and the Board of Supervisors. This is a recommendation that Mr. Tom Bennett is in favor of. Member Snipes moved to authorize advertisement of amendment to Chapter 209.92 - Zoning; Complaints of Violations; Member Dence seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (4-0)

ITEM #3 CONSIDER AUTHORIZING REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR AUDITOR APPOINTMENT FOR 2011 FISCAL AUDIT

Manager Gray said a Request for Proposals (RFP) has been prepared to send out to various local audit firms for audit of the township records for the period of January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011. The township is requesting that quotes be returned by November 14, 2011 so that an agenda item awarding the contract can be brought to the board's attention at a future meeting. Member Snipes moved to authorize the request for proposals for Auditor appointment for 2011 fiscal audit; Member Dence seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (4-0)

ITEM # 4 CONSIDER PURCHASE OF AED'S FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Manager Gray said the police department is requesting the purchase of four AED's. These will replace older units that are twelve years old. These units stay in the patrol vehicles. These items have been budgeted. Member Dence moved to approve the purchase of four AED's from Physio-Control in the amount of \$9,864; Member Vislosky seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (4-0)

ITEM # 5 CONSIDER RESOLUTION CERTIFYING PETER GRAY AS PERSON EMPOWERED TO ACT FOR AND ON BEHALF OF FALLS TWP. IN ANY BUSINESS WITH FRED BEANS FAMILY OF DEALERSHIPS/NEW HOLLAND AUTO GROUP AND SIGN ANY NECESSARY DOCUMENTATION

Manager Gray said this item relates to purchase of a 2011 Ford Truck Super Duty F550 for the Public Works Department. This vehicle was approved to purchase through CO-STARS on March 15, 2011. Member Vislosky said she wouldn't let Manager Gray manage the money in her sugar bowl. Member Snipes asked if this resolution was just for this one purchase. Manager Gray said yes, this was just for this purchase. Member Snipes moved to approve Resolution # 2011-19 certifying Peter Gray as person empowered to act for and on behalf of Falls Township in any business with the Fred Beans Family of Dealerships/New Holland Auto Group and sign any necessary documentation; Member Dence seconded the motion; all board members were in favor with the exception of Member Vislosky who voted no. (3-1) Member Vislosky said she does not relish delegating responsibility to someone in whom she has no confidence.

ITEM # 6 CONSIDER RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADVERTISEMENT OF SALE OF SURPLUS EQUIPMENT

Manager Gray said the township has three vehicles for surplus sale. They are a 1995 Ford E150 Van, a 1996 Ford Bronco, and a 2002 Chevrolet Impala. Manager Gray was instructed to try to list these items on alternate sites, in addition to the regular advertisement in the Bucks County Courier Times. Member Snipes moved to open public comment; Member Dence seconed the motion; all board members were in favor. (4-0) Mr. Andy Dell said he would suggest not selling these vehicles for less than scrap value. Member Dence moved to close public comment; Member Snipes seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (4-0) Member Snipes moved to approve Resolution # 2011-20, authorizing advertisement of sale of surplus equipment; Member Dence seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (4-0)

ITEM # 7 CONSIDER AUTHORIZING ADVERTISEMENT OF AMENDMENT TO CHAPTER 206 - WRECKERS

Chairman Harvie introduced this item. He gave information about the changes. He said most of the changes deal with documentation that has to be turned in to make sure the

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wreckers have insurance, there are some rules in regard to the yards where they take the vehicles, and this deals with some of the equipment they have to carry. There is also a rewrite which deals with any complaints the public may have with being overcharged and how that is handled. The wreckers currently working in the township have been made aware of these changes and there is a chance for the wreckers to meet with Lt. Airey at an upcoming meeting on Thursday, October 27th at 10 a.m. Member Vislosky said she has been around long enough to see the position of being on that wreckers list sold. She said she was with another supervisor and they followed a vehicle and the person who got the business was delivering Christmas presents to a supervisor sitting on the board. There was a lot of controversy. Member Vislosky said those wreckers should come to the meeting when this is advertised for adoption. Member Snipes said he is glad that Lt. Airey will be meeting with the wreckers so they can have input and know what is happening. Chairman Harvie said the list is open to wreckers who have insurance and have a yard in Falls Township along with some other qualifications. Mr. Clarke said there is a distinction between a regular tow and a heavy tow. Mr. Clarke said anyone can get on the list as long as they meet all of the qualifications and they have their information on file. Chairman Harvie said there are currently nine towers on the list. Member Vislosky said it is not true that anyone can get on the list. Member Snipes moved to authorize advertisement of amendment to Chapter 206 -Wreckers; Member Dence seconded the motion; all board members were in favor with the exception of Member Vislosky who voted no. (3-1)

ITEM #8 CONSIDER FIRE AND BURGLAR MONITORING ALARM QUOTES

Member Dence moved to table this item until the November 1, 2011 Board of Supervisors meeting; Member Snipes seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (4-0)

ITEM # 9 PUBLIC COMMENT - FIVE MINUTE LIMIT PER PERSON FORTY-FIVE MINUTE MAXIMUM

Mr. Mike Slack spoke about the construction at the Eleanor Roosevelt Elementary School. The surrounding neighbors are requesting that the Pennsbury School District not be allowed to connect Midway Drive to Walton Drive. They feel there is no need for the two roads to connect. He and his neighbors have signed a petition that they are against this proposed plan. Mr. Slack said the school district is making a through-street and the residents will have to endure speeding cars when young children go to the playground after school and on weekends. They are worried that children will get hurt. They believe this connection will create a hazard. Mr. Slack said what they should do is to create two distinct parking lots with no connection. Children could then have access to the playground without crossing a traffic lane. Member Dence said at the zoning meeting this was the biggest concern from the residents. It will not be a full-time access; it will be gated off on weekends. It will be one way from Bernard to Midway. You won't be able to enter on Midway unless you have an emergency vehicle. The only time it will be open is at night if there is an event taking place. It is not supposed to be open for cut-through access at night and on weekends. Mr. Slack said there continues to be a dust problem. He said the street cleaner worked for a week. Member Dence said they went out there several times and made sure they were taking care of it. Member Dence said they will go back out there tomorrow and make sure

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they are doing what they are supposed to be doing. Mr. Sullivan said any time it doesn't happen to just give his office a call. Member Vislosky said her belief is to separate the parking lots and make it a no access. Mr. Slack said you can put up a one-way sign and people are going to ignore it. Mr. Slack said fifty years ago they tried to do this, but the residents had a petition and they stopped it. Mr. Slack said this may be a little too late, but he feels it needs to be stopped. Member Dence said the residents should have been notified of the zoning meeting and there were a lot of residents there. These concerns were addressed at the meeting. Chairman Harvie said the janitors at the school will be making it one way and closing it. Chairman Harvie said they will take the petition and photocopy it. They will communicate these concerns with the Pennsbury School District and find out what they can do. Member Vislosky said she is in favor of communicating with the school district and voicing displeasure. Member Vislosky made a motion to notify Pennsbury School District of our displeasure over their intent because it will jeopardize the safety of the children and it will annoy the homeowners; Member Dence seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (4-0)

Mr. Andy Dell asked who owns the road leading to the boat ramp. Chairman Harvie said it belongs to Waste Management. Waste Management has been told very clearly if they do not fix the road soon, they will be cited. Mr. Dell asked when Tyburn Road will be opened. Chairman Harvie said they spoke with the PENNDOT representative and they were told New Falls Road/Tyburn Road will be done by the end of the year. The bridge on New Falls Road near St. Joseph The Worker Church will be completed by October 28th and Bordentown Road they are looking more toward February or March.

Ms. Quinn Kelly, Ms. Lindsay Martier-Kelly, and Mr. Bill Reese announced the Children's Halloween Party which will be held on Saturday, October 22nd from 1-3 p.m. at the Three Arches. There will be a costume contest, decorate a scarecrow contest, and they are asking folks to decorate their strollers as well. They will have a mad science exhibit, Otto the Clown, a DJ, games, and crafts. This event is for ages 2-10 yrs. of age. The Three Arches Gift Shoppe will be open during this event.

Mrs. Dorothy Vislosky said she has an e-mail from the Director of Research and Policy Development of the Pennsylvania State Association of Township Supervisors. Mrs. Vislosky said this addresses her inability to get financial records and the idiotic decision to assign the township manager to decide whether or not this elected official has the right to see how the money she brought into this township is invested and whether she can see the records. She has been advised that there is no individual who has more of a right to see the township financial records than an elected supervisor. The township solicitor is here telling this elected official that she cannot have township records and that is stupid. Mrs. Vislosky read part of the e-mail that she received. Mrs. Vislosky suggested that right now Manager Gray get her the documents that she requested in writing. Manager Gray said Mrs. Vislosky received the documents. Chairman Harvie said, so the public is clear on this, did all of the documentation that was asked for in written form by Mrs. Vislosky in July get sent to two addresses of hers in August? Manager Gray said yes, that is correct. Chairman Harvie asked about the SEI quarterly reports, which she claims she never got, and if those specific reports were requested on that written documentation in July? Manager Gray said he

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believes they were. Chairman Harvie thanked Manager Gray for his help in getting the information to Mrs. Vislosky.

ITEM # 10 MINUTES - SEPTEMBER 20, 2011 AND OCTOBER 4, 2011

Member Snipes moved to approve the minutes from September 20, 2011; Member Dence seconded the motion; all board members were in favor with the exception of Member Vislosky who abstained from the vote. (3-0-1) Member Snipes moved to approve the minutes from October 4, 2011; Member Dence seconded the motion; all board members were in favor with Member Vislosky not casting a vote. (3-0-0) Member Vislosky was not happy with the minutes.

ITEM # 11 ENGINEER'S REPORT

Member Vislosky told Mr. Sullivan that when she gets his report, she understands everything being communicated to them. Mr. Sullivan reported that the 2010 Road Program is still in the punch list phase. They have restored all of the landscaping areas that needed to be taken care of. Some of the streets still have puddling issues. Member Snipes asked about the 2011 Road Program and if the residents have been sent a list of trees to choose from. Mr. Sullivan said it has not been done yet, but it is forthcoming. Chairman Harvie asked to have someone look at the Eleanor Roosevelt School project and to make sure that no matter what street they are on they control the dirt. If they are not, then we shut them down. Member Vislosky moved to accept the Engineer's Report for September, 2011; Member Snipes seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (4-0)

ITEM # 12 BILL LIST – OCTOBER 18, 2011

The bill list for October 18, 2011 is in the amount of \$1,907,552.27. Member Snipes thanked Mrs. Reukauf and the Finance Department for the excellent work they do. The township is in excellent financial condition. Member Vislosky said she will vote no for all of the reasons she states at each meeting. She wants to see the bills separated. Member Vislosky said we are paying \$500 a month just to have a phone at the boat ramp. Chairman Harvie said the Verizon payment is for people who pay for boat passes by credit card, for an emergency phone, and for a security camera. The \$500 is for paying for placing of the line for the trench that was run by Verizon. Chairman Harvie said that area does not have adequate cell phone reception. Member Vislosky said she wants to have this room to hold a meeting and wants to know what dates are available before she leaves tonight. Chairman Harvie asked about the Police Pension Plan and if it is in trouble or going to collapse. Manager Gray said the pension plan is performing above or at benchmarks. Member Vislosky asked about the rate of return. Manager Gray said the inception to date is 4.66% as of August 30, 2011. The year to date is .48% as of August 30, 2011. Member Dence moved to approve the bill list from October 18, 2011 in the amount of \$1,907,552.27; Member Snipes seconded the motion; all board members were in favor with the exception of Member Vislosky who voted no. (3-1)

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

ITEM # 14 MANAGER COMMENT

1. Member Snipes moved to approve the 30-day extension for CSC Sugar; Member Dence seconded the motion; all board members were in favor with the exception of Member Vislosky who voted no. (3-1)

ITEM # 15 BOARD COMMENT

Member Dence - No comment.

Member Snipes - No comment.

Member Vislosky asked Member Dence if she identified five individuals who were financial advisors and said the gentleman in the audience was not on that list; is that correct? Member Dence said yes. Member Vislosky said she wants to meet with the gentleman in the audience, Mr. Shilling. She wants to talk with him, but wanted to wait until after tonight's meeting. She has her grandson's college-bound fund and wants him to handle that for her and said she will give him the statement. She would like to have him come to a meeting that she will call to discuss the finances. Member Vislosky said she does more work as a single supervisor than her adversaries. She said we have a problem because we do not have intelligent management of our money. We don't pay attention to our budgets. When we did the contracts for Waste Management, there wasn't one board member that was part of that. She is angry about how money is being wasted. Member Vislosky said the third agreement that was negotiated was done by two lawyers. She said these two lawyers copied her agreement and then paraded it as theirs. Member Vislosky said Mr. Kupperman got \$150,000 and Mr. Clarke got about \$50,000. Every attempt anyone has made to try to destroy the Vislosky name has failed. Member Vislosky said she doesn't want to go to the school board. She likes Florida and she would like to spend time with her sister. Member Vislosky told Mr. Dell that she intends to vote for him because he knows more than the other candidates.

<u>Chairman Harvie</u> said the Halloween party is this Saturday at the Three Arches from 1-3 p.m. There are contests with some good prizes. This event is for ages 2-10 years old. The road work at New Falls Road at the bridge should be open by October 28th. The Tyburn Road should be opened most of the way by the first of the year and Bordentown Road we are looking more towards February. Chairman Harvie expressed sympathies to Mr. Sullivan on the passing of his father.

Member Snipes moved to adjourn the meeting; Member Dence seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (4-0) The meeting was adjourned at 8:14 p.m.

Jeffry Dence, Secretary