Board of Supervisors - April 18, 2016

TOWNSHIP OF FALLS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING

ROLL CALL:

ROBERT HARVIE, JR., CHAIRMAN	PRESENT
JEFFRY DENCE, VICE-CHAIRMAN	ABSENT
JEFFREY ROCCO, SECRETARY-TREASURER	PRESENT
BRIAN GALLOWAY, SUPERVISOR	PRESENT
JEFF BORASKI, 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 had a work commitment this evening. Also present were Township Manager Peter Gray, Township Solicitor Lauren Gallagher, and Township Engineer James Sullivan.

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

Mr. Roland Kenney asked about the school board raising taxes and wanted to know who acts as the township solicitor in that circumstance. Chairman Harvie said the school district has not yet voted on the budget. As a township, we don't pay a school tax. Chairman Harvie said the state law limits the tax increase. Ms. Gallagher said the township does have a conflict solicitor should the need arise. Chairman Harvie said there haven't been that many times where there has been a conflict with the school district. Mr. Kenney reminded everyone to vote in the Primary Election on April 26th. Mr. Kenney recommends approval of the cameras for the police department. Mr. Kenney asks to please say a prayer for the police officer in New Jersey who was shot a couple of weeks ago.

Mr. John Estock attended the April 4th township meeting and is here as a follow up about the rules for a no-impact, home-based business. He asked about the landscaping business on Winding Way, and said they have too much equipment at that property. Chairman Harvie asked Mr. Estock to watch his language while speaking. Ms. Gallagher said there is a difference between a home business and a no-impact, home-based business. Ms. Gallagher said they are still investigating this issue. Manager Gray said Mr. Bennett has been in contact with the homeowner and he has been issued a notice of violation. We are trying to get this resolved. Chairman Harvie said if he files a business license and he says this is a no-impact, home-based business then he is violating that. If he filed as a home-based business (which is different) then he is allowed to keep maybe one trailer. Either way he is in violations of our codes. We are starting the process of figuring out how that business is set up and then cite him for the things he is violating.

Mr. David Deagen spoke about Elcon and the increased air pollution and risk of water contamination if this company were to locate here. Mr. Deagen asked if there is anything the township can do to try to convince USS to sell the property to an environmentally safe company. Chairman Harvie said there have been some companies locate there such as Gamesa and A.E. Polysilicon, but they do not have influence over who they sell their

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property to. They look for companies that use the utilities and they also make money from those companies for that use. There have been many businesses that wanted to locate there, but ended up not going in there. Chairman Harvie suggested to Mr. Deagen that he send letters and e-mails to the DEP to voice his concerns.

ITEM # 2 CONSIDER PURHASE OF POOL CHEMICALS AND SUPPLIES FOR THE PINEWOOD POOL THRU THE BUXMONT AQUATIC CONSORTIUM

Mr. Brian Andrews spoke about this proposal. Member Rocco moved to authorize the purchase of pool chemicals through the Buxmont Aquatic Consortium awarding the bids to Main Pool and Chemical according to the April 12, 2016 memo from Mr. Andrews; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (4-0)

ITEM # 3 CONSIDER PURCHASE OF THREE DATA 911 COMPUTERS FOR NEW VEHICLES FOR THE FALLS TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT

Lt. Henry Ward spoke about this purchase of Data 911 computers. This purchase will replace computers which are 8 years old. Over the next 3 years, they want to have all police vehicle computers replaced. Member Boraski moved to approve the purchase of 3 Data 911 computers off of the Co-Stars list and in the amount of \$15,799.60; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (4-0)

ITEM # 4 CONSIDER THE PURCHASE OF TIME LAPSE CAMERAS

Mr. Matt Markey provided information on the time lapse camera project. Board members are in support of this project and think it is a good idea for various uses throughout the township. Member Boraski moved to approve the time lapse camera purchase NTE \$4,000; Member Rocco seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (4-0)

ITEM #5 MINUTES - APRIL 4, 2016

Member Boraski moved to approve the minutes for April 4, 2016; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (4-0)

ITEM # 6 ENGINEERS REPORT

Mr. Sullivan said the Three Arches project is about to commence. Mr. Sullivan also provided information on completion of the 2013 Road Program. Member Rocco moved to approve the March Engineers Report dated April 15, 2016; Member Boraski seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (4-0)

ITEM#7 BILL LIST

Manager Gray said the credit for PECO relates to the LED lighting. Member Rocco moved to approve the April 18, 2016 bill list in the amount of \$1,643,952.14; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (4-0)

ITEM #8 EXECUTIVE SESSION

Ms. Gallagher said the board met in Executive Session to discuss matters of litigation.

ITEM #9 MANAGER COMMENT

- A. Member Rocco moved to authorize Manager Gray to finalize the award for the contractor working at Three Arches, contingent upon a successful outcome of the engineer's review of the contractor; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (4-0)
- B. Member Galloway moved to approve escrow release # 3 to the Fairless Hills Credit Union, in the amount of \$18,246.64; Member Boraski seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (4-0)
- C. The Park and Rec Department is partnering with Comcast Cares for an Earth Day cleanup at the Trenton Road Park. This will be held on Saturday, April 23rd from 10 a.m. 2 p.m. For more information, please call 215-949-9000, x220.
- D. There will be a drug take back event, sponsored by the DEA in coordination with the Falls Township Police Department, on Saturday, April 30th from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Residents are encouraged to drop off their un-used, or expired medications.

ITEM # 10 BOARD COMMENT

Member Rocco - no comment

Member Boraski announced the Fallsington Elementary Car Show to be held on Saturday, April 30th from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The rain date is May 1st. For more information, please call Lisa Pajrowski at 215-356-6401.

Member Galloway - no comment

<u>Chairman Harvie</u> said the reason why people should not dispose of medicines in the toilet or drains is because it pollutes the water supply. The drug take back event is a great opportunity and one of the things our police officers do for us. As a reminder to everyone, please vote next Tuesday, April 26th. Keep in mind that the people you support, need to win the Primary Election in order to run in the General Election. Exercise your right to vote and spend a couple of minutes to make your voice heard.

Member Galloway moved to adjourn the meeting; Member Boraski seconded the motion. (4-0) The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Jeffrey Rocco, Secretary