TOWNSHIP OF FALLS
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING

ROLL CALL:
ROBERT HARVIE, JR., CHAIRMAN PRESENT
JEFFRY DENCE, VICE-CHAIRMAN PRESENT
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. Also present were Township Manager Peter Gray, Township Solicitor Michael Clarke, Township Solicitor Lauren Gallagher, and Township Engineer James Sullivan.

INTRODUCTION AND CONSIDER RESOLUTION FOR THE HIRING OF POLICE OFFICER WILLIAM TANNER

Sergeant Sven Beauchmin introduced Officer William Tanner. Board members congratulated Officer Tanner and welcomed him to Falls Township. Member Dence moved to approve Resolution # 16-10 for the hiring of Officer William Tanner; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

PRESENTATION BY THE COUNTY OF BUCKS TO THE FAIRLESS HILLS FIRE COMPANY FOR ASSISTANCE PROVIDED FOR THE HONOR FLIGHT TRIP

Mr. Joseph Szafrań, Recorder of Deeds for Bucks County, spoke about the Honor Flight program. The Honor Flight program takes World War II and Korean War Veterans to Washington, D.C. to see the memorial. If anyone is interested in their next trip, it is scheduled for September 26, 2016. Information will be posted on the Falls Township channel. Mr. Szafrań presented a plaque to members of the Fairless Hills Fire Company for their assistance with this program.

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

No one signed in for public comment.

ITEM # 2 CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS – 35 OLD LOCUST AVENUE - TMP # 13-032-056 – PAINT THE EXTERIOR WOOD SIDING

Member Galloway moved to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness for painting the exterior wood siding at 35 Old Locust Avenue, TMP # 13-032-056; Member Boraski seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)
ITEM #3 CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS – 400 PENNSBURY MEMORIAL ROAD – TMP #13-050-004 – DEMOLISH EXISTING RIVER BARGE HOUSE (OPEN AIR PAVILION); CONSTRUCT NEW RIVER BARGE (IN-KIND) IN NEW LOCATION

Mr. Doug Miller spoke about this project which is located at Pennsbury Manor. Member Dence moved to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness for 400 Pennsbury Memorial Road – TMP #13-050-004 – Demolish existing river barge house (open air pavilion); construct new river barge (in-kind) in new location; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

ITEM #4 CONSIDER QUOTES FOR THE 2016 MOSQUITO SEASON

Mr. Wally Terrill, Clarke Mosquito, provided the board with information on the 2015 program and plans for this year’s program. Member Dence moved to award the 2016 mosquito season program to Clarke Environmental Mosquito Management, Inc. in the amount of $11,610; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

ITEM #5 CONSIDER PROPOSAL FOR POSTAGE MACHINES FOR THE FALLS TOWNSHIP ADMINISTRATION AND POLICE DEPARTMENT

Manager Gray spoke about the proposal for postage machines. The township met with four companies: OSI Pitney Bowes, Jersey Mail Solutions, ITS Neopost, and Print Management Solutions. It is recommended that the township move forward with Print Management Solutions, offering a 63-month term at $195 per month with the first three months free of charge. Member Galloway moved to accept the proposal from Print Management Solutions for the usage of two postage machines for a 63-month period; Member Boraski seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

ITEM #6 CONSIDER AUTHORIZATION FOR ADVERTISEMENT FOR THE 2016 FALLS TOWNSHIP ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Mr. Sullivan provided information for this year’s Falls Township Road Improvement Program which will consist of a full depth road reconstruction of Howley Drive and mill and overlay improvements on Mill Creek Parkway. The construction budget for this work is $725,000. Member Boraski moved to authorize advertisement for the 2016 Falls Township Road Improvement Program; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)
ITEM # 7 CONSIDER RESOLUTION FOR PROJECTS THRU THE BUCKS COUNTY OPEN SPACE GRANT PROGRAM

Mr. Brian Andrews said the three projects that were approved under this program are the boat ramp at the Falls Township Community Park, the Community Garden expansion at the Falls Township Community Park, and the replacement of the Vermillion Hills footbridge. Member Galloway moved to approve Resolution # 16-11 for projects thru the Bucks County Open Space Grant Program; Member Rocco seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

ITEM # 8 CONSIDER RESOLUTION FOR 640 LINCOLN HIGHWAY SEWAGE FACILITY PLANNING MODULE

Member Dence moved to approve Resolution # 16-12 for the 640 Lincoln Highway sewage facility planning module; Member Rocco seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

ITEM # 9 MINUTES – APRIL 18, 2016

Member Dence said he reviewed the video of the April 18, 2016 meeting. Member Rocco moved to approve the minutes from the April 18, 2016 meeting; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

ITEM # 10 ENGINEERS REPORT

Mr. Sullivan said the Pinewood Pool plastering project has been completed. In regard to the 2013 Road Program punch list, the board had a discussion about the work that still needs to be completed and the amount of time is taking to get this work done. Mr. Sullivan was instructed to send the contractor a letter telling them what work they still have to do and if they do not do the work, then they will be in default of the contract. Mr. Sullivan said the Fallsington Library steps are done. Chairman Harvie asked about the timetable for the St. Joseph the Worker property. Mr. Sullivan said the applicant went to zoning, but they still have to go to planning. The earliest they could appear before the board is in July. Member Boraski moved to approve the April Engineers Report dated May 13, 2016; Member Dence seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

ITEM # 11 BILL LIST

Member Rocco moved to approve the May 16, 2016 bill list in the amount of $2,471,855.07; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)
ITEM # 12 EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Clarke said the board held an Executive Session prior to tonight’s meeting to discuss a personnel issue and a matter of potential litigation.

Chairman Harvie said the board would like to add a section to the agenda for the police department to give a report and provide information on things that would be helpful. Lt. Henry Ward gave these updates.
- On April 20th, they held Coffee with a Cop at IHOP. The next outing will most likely be in the evening. Chairman Harvie asked for this to be posted on the cable channel.
- They had their Partners Program with Pennsbury Memorial dinner on April 20th.
- For the Towns Against Graffiti (T.A.G.), if anyone sees any type of graffiti (private or business), please contact the township to have it removed.
- The police department will be getting new identification badges.
- Lt. Whitney went to the Montgomery County Police to let them know Falls Township is looking to hire new officers.
- They recently attended a criminology class at Bucks County Community College to talk about the Diane Corrado case.
- The police department will be conducting a seminar for school bus drivers about how to handle violence and what to do about motorists who run red lights.
- In April, they held a seminar at Manor Elementary on cyber bullying.
- The police department recently honored George Reese.
- They are looking to have an ROTC program at Pennsbury High School. Officer Yeager will be sponsoring this.
- Some of the bike patrol officers are retiring. They will have new officers trained.
- Lt. Ward reminded everyone to keep their vehicles locked at all times and never to leave a gun inside of your vehicle.
- The police department is using a new device for VASCAR. Lasers are set up on either side of the road and once the beam is broken, it is much easier to calculate the speed. With this device, the police department can get into school zones.

ITEM # 13 MANAGER COMMENT

A. Member Galloway moved to approve escrow release # 4 for the Fairless Hills Credit Union in the amount of $91,932.03; Member Dence seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)
B. Member Galloway moved to approve escrow release # 3 to HFH of PA/Sika in the amount of $6,930; Member Dence seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)
C. Member Dence moved to approve a $6,000 donation to T.A.G.; Member Boraski seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)
D. Member Dence moved to approve the 60-day extension of time for the waiver of land development project at 925 Old Lincoln Highway (Big Bear); Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)
E. Member Dence moved to approve 115 Lincoln Highway (car wash) extension of time to July 15, 2016; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)
F. Member Dence moved to approve the 60-day extension of time for the Pennsbury Manor waiver of land development application; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)
G. Member Dence moved to approve the Burger King (8575 New Falls Road) extension of time to July 31, 2016; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)
H. Member Dence moved to approve the New Seaview/Lubricycle (150 Solar Drive) extension of time to December 31, 2016; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)
I. Manager Gray said the following new businesses opened: Velocity Auto Sales, the Dollar Tree moved to 459 Oxford Valley Road, and Muscle Magic by Megan (300 West Trenton Avenue).
J. There are several mylars ready for signature: Covanta, Silvi, and Premium Lift.

ITEM # 14 BOARD COMMENT

Member Rocco moved to appoint Mr. Tom Miles to the Water and Sewer Authority; Member Boraski seconded the motion; all board members were in favor with the exception of Chairman Harvie who abstained. (4-0-1)

Member Dence announced the Que for the Troops/Falls Township Family Festival event to be held June 2 & 3, 2016 at the Falls Township Community Park. There will be a lot of various events going on with something for everyone. The event will conclude with fireworks on Saturday night. Member Dence hopes everyone can attend.

Member Boraski spoke about the time-lapse video of work at the Pinewood Pool. He thanked everyone for this.

Member Galloway looks forward to the Que for the Troops and appreciates the work everyone puts forth every year for this event. The beneficiary is the Liberty USO.

Chairman Harvie said combining the Que for the Troops and the Family Festival was a good idea. The 70th Falls Township Memorial Day Parade will be held on Sunday, May 29, 2016. It starts at Pennsbury High School and travels down New Falls Road, ending at Memorial Park in Fallsington. Chairman Harvie thanked everyone who helps with these events and also the people in the township for the work they do.

Member Dence moved to adjourn the meeting; Member Boraski seconded the motion. (5-0) The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Jeffrey Rocco, Secretary