

**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	ABSENT

The meeting commenced at 7:00 p.m. with roll call and salute to the flag. All Board members were present with the exception of Member Boraski who had to work this evening. Also present were Township Manager Peter Gray, Township Solicitor Michael Clarke, Township Solicitor Lauren Gallagher, and Township Engineer James Sullivan.

Chairman Harvie announced that the Pennsbury JV Varsity Cheerleading Squad participated in and won the U.S. Spirit National Competition in Florida. They competed against 24 schools from all over the country. Chairman Harvie read a commendation for the cheerleading squad. Member Dence moved to recognize the commendation for the Pennsbury Cheerleading Squad; Member Rocco seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (4-0) The board congratulated the cheerleaders. The squad leaders thanked the Board of Supervisors for recognition of their hard work and dedication.

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

Mr. Roland Kenney said people have been telling him that he was right about Bengazi. He said the reason he stopped talking about it is because one of the board members felt he should only speak about township business and he understands this. Mr. Kenney said he is glad this is finally coming out in the open.

**ITEM # 2 SOUTH END WATER & STORAGE FACILITY – MINOR
SUBDIVISION AND LAND DEVELOPMENT – 791 W. BRIDGE
STREET – TMP # 13-028-082**

Manager Gray said this project is for TMP # 13-028-082 and 13-028-083-1 for construction of a water storage tank and pumping station with public water and sewer service on the site. Representing the applicant is Mr. Downey. Mr. Downey said they are requesting both preliminary and final approval of a minor subdivision for construction of a 2.5M gallon water tank located at 791 West Bridge Street on TMP 13-028-082 and 13-028-083-1. Mr. Downey provided Mr. Clarke with a copy of the land purchase agreement. Mr. Downey said they received approval from the Planning Commission on November 26, 2013 and approval from the Zoning Hearing Board on February 11, 2014. Mr. Downey said joining him this evening is: Mr. Chris Harris (Superintendent of the water treatment plant), Mr. Christopher Walker (Project Engineer with Pennoni Associates), and Mr. James McCann

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(Pennoni Associates). Both Mr. Harris and Mr. Walker agreed with Mr. Downey's representation and description of this project. Mr. Walker said there are 14 waivers that are required. They are in agreement with the township engineer. The authority is under the consent order from the DEP of the Commonwealth to build a potable water tank facility. The authority provides potable water to about 4,200 customers in Falls Township, Morrisville Borough, and Lower Makefield. The area is zoned as highway commercial. Mr. Walker reviewed the requested waivers which include: sidewalks, curbs, providing open space between the building and parking, grading, street trees, disturbance of wetlands, and protection of wetlands. Also included are storm water management waivers for providing a minimum slope of 1%, storm pipe minimum size of 15" in diameter, and pre-development flow rates to be modeled as meadow in good condition. Member Galloway asked if a fire hydrant would be installed. Mr. Walker said there will be a fire hydrant at the intersection of West Bridge Street and MY Lane. Member Dence asked about wetland disturbance. Mr. Walker indicated on the map the wetlands that are being disturbed. Member Dence asked about waiver 187-12C minimum slope of 1% and why that is required. Mr. Walker addressed this waiver and spoke about water drainage. They have small basins with flat bottoms so the water will drain slowly. Member Dence asked about the storm pipe size going from 15" to 6". Mr. Sullivan said it is only in the detention basin area and they have a number of cleanouts to maintain that system. The 6" size is adequate for what they are using. Member Rocco asked if there is currently a water tank in Morrisville. Mr. Harris said there is a 212 ft. tall tank in the waste water treatment plant in the south end of Morrisville and a 500,000 gallon, 110 ft. tall tank on the other side of Trenton Avenue on Walnut Lane. The proposed tank is required by the DEP due to the failure that occurred back in 2009. It will have a height of 56-1/2 ft. They currently have six to eight hours of water if there is a failure. They have to provide twenty-four hours of water. They need this 2.5M gallons of storage to comply with the order from the DEP. Member Rocco asked about the timeframe for construction. Mr. McCann said they are proposing to secure their tank construction permits from the DEP by August of this year and receive bids in September. Then they will issue the contract. They plan to have construction completed with the tank and station in service by the end of 2015. Member Rocco asked if surrounding property owners were notified of this project. The applicant said they sent out 291 notices to surrounding neighbors. Chairman Harvie asked if Mr. Sullivan had any concerns. Mr. Sullivan said he would like an indication of what the area of disturbance is on the wetlands. Mr. Walker said the driveway culvert is 40 ft. long and the width of the wetlands is about 40 ft. There is a GP permit that is required and that is in the process of being prepared and submitted. Mr. Sullivan said he has no objection. Member Galloway moved to approve Resolution # 14-13 for preliminary and final minor subdivision and land development for the South End Water and Storage Facility, located at 791 W. Bridge Street; Member Rocco seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (4-0)

ITEM # 3 ABINGTON RELDAN REALTY, LP. – AMENDED FINAL PLAN – LAND DEVELOPMENT – 550 OLD BORDENTOWN ROAD – TMP # 13-51-1-9

Manager Gray said the applicant is looking to construct a canopy adjacent to an existing building and also install a trench drain. Mr. Dean Whitaker from Gilmore & Associates and

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Mr. Don Rauchut from DMR Construction were here on behalf of the applicant. The size of the proposed canopy is 42 x 34 ft. and will be installed over an existing paved area. The other proposed item to be added is a trench drain to capture the water and eventually send the water back to the detention facility. This is being filed as an amended final plan. Member Galloway moved to approve Resolution 14-14, amended final plan for Abington Reldan Realty, LP; Member Dence seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (4-0)

ITEM # 4 PRESENTATION BY URS ENGINEERS FOR THE TRENTON AVENUE CORRIDOR PCTI STUDY

Manager Gray said this is a presentation on the Trenton Avenue Corridor Plan. This plan recommends a series of transportation, land use, and policy improvements to help create a safer, more efficient, and more consistent corridor that serves the needs of adjacent neighbors as well as visitors to the corridor. This process began in September, 2013. Participants include Falls Township, Lower Makefield Township, Morrisville Borough, PENNDOT, and the Delaware Valley RPC. Representing URS Engineers is Mr. Doug Robbins who will make the presentation. Mr. Robbins said he is here to give information on the draft plan and get some feedback from the Falls Township Board of Supervisors. They would like to get the information posted on the township website for the public to view and comment. After that, they would like to come back to the next township meeting in May to present a final plan. Mr. Robbins gave the presentation. Member Rocco asked about the timeframe for this project. Mr. Robbins said they generally look at 20 years out so this would go from 2013 to 2033. They look at a future build out to project traffic, population growth, and job growth.

ITEM # 5 CONSIDER PROPOSAL FROM DRIFTWOOD WATER ADVENTURES FOR SERVICES AT THE FALLS TOWNSHIP COMMUNITY PARK

Mr. Robert Moyer and Mr. Pat Mulhern were here from Driftwood Water Adventures. Mr. Moyer gave some information regarding their first season at the community park. This season they plan to open at the Falls Township Community Park on Saturday morning of Memorial Day weekend. Mr. Moyer said they will give a program on water safety to the Falls Township Summer Camp program. Mr. Mulhern spoke about the services they provide. They will continue to offer the paddleboard yoga along with some other fitness programs. There are a lot of people who like to participate in these programs. Member Galloway moved to approve the proposal from Driftwood Water Adventures; Member Dence seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (4-0) Member Galloway moved to approve the indemnity agreement with Driftwood Water Adventures; Member Dence seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (4-0)

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ITEM # 6 CONSIDER QUOTES FOR CHLORINE AND MURIATIC ACID SERVICES FOR THE 2014 PINWOOD POOL SEASON

Member Galloway moved to award the quote for chlorine and muriatic acid services for the 2014 Pinewood Pool season to Berardelli's according to the May 1, 2014 memo from Manager Gray; Member Dence seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (4-0)

ITEM # 7 CONSIDER AUTHORIZATION FOR ADVERTISEMENT FOR CAMERA INSTALLATION AT THE FALLS TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL BUILDING

Member Dence moved to authorize advertisement for camera installation at the Falls Township municipal building; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (4-0)

ITEM # 8 CONSIDER AUTHORIZATION FOR ADVERTISEMENT FOR ADOPTING ARTICLE VIII OF CHAPTER 203 OF THE FALLS TOWNSHIP CODE

Ms. Gallagher said this ordinance would add an additional article to Chapter 203 which relates to vehicles and traffic. It would allow for special permits for vehicles with excessive weight and size, up to 91,000 lbs. total. There is a permit fee of \$500 per year. This is similar to the way the township has the Wreckers Ordinance set up and we would continue to monitor these types of vehicles to make sure they only use certain routes in the township. This would line up with what PENNDOT currently allows. PENNDOT has given them approval to operate on PENNDOT roads at an increased weight and they have asked for permission to operate on township roads at the increased weight. The standard weight is 80,000 lbs. and they are asking for 91,000 lbs. They had asked for a higher weight, but our traffic enforcement officer and police officers are comfortable with the 91,000 lb. weight that is being proposed. Member Galloway moved to authorize advertisement for adopting Article VIII of Chapter 203 of the Falls Township Code; Member Dence seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (4-0)

ITEM # 9 MINUTES – APRIL 15, 2014

Member Dence moved to approve the minutes for April 15, 2014; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (4-0)

ITEM # 10 EXECUTIVE SESSION – There was no Executive Session held.

ITEM # 11 MANAGER COMMENT

1. Member Galloway moved to approve the release of the Coyne Chemical restoration bond; Member Dence seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (4-0)
2. Manager Gray announced the Que for the Troops to be held on Friday, June 6th and Saturday, June 7th. In conjunction with this, the Family Festival will be held on

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Saturday, June 7th from 12-9 p.m. The rain date for the Family Festival is Saturday, June 21st.

3. The Pinewood Pool is looking for lifeguards.
4. Manager Gray said Penske mylars are ready for signature.

ITEM # 12 BOARD COMMENT

Member Rocco – no comment.

Member Dence said last night was the first meeting of the Traffic Advisory Council. They have already targeted one area in Falls Township. They are still looking for a few more volunteers to be on this board. If anyone would like to be on this board or if they have any traffic concerns on their street, please contact the township. Member Dence said this year they have 65 teams participating in the Que for the Troops bar-q-que cook off. Since this has started, they have raised a lot of money for the Liberty USO and this is money that stays in the Delaware Valley area. Member Dence said the Parks and Rec Department has a new adult kickball league. They have 9 teams and space for about 5 more teams.

Member Galloway said he looks forward to the Que for the Troops event. Member Galloway thanked Member Dence for all the work he does for this event.

Chairman Harvie said the next meeting falls on Election Day. The board decided to have the next meeting on Monday, May 19th. Chairman Harvie said tonight's presentation by URS is something they have been looking at for a long time. They are looking at ways to improve traffic in the area of West Trenton Avenue. The township was successful in getting together with Lower Makefield and Morrisville Borough in getting a grant, but there is a limit as to what can be done. Public comment is something they could use. Please pay attention to what is on the website. If anyone has ideas on how to make West Trenton Avenue better, the board welcomes public input. Chairman Harvie wished a Happy Mother's Day to all mothers and grandmothers. Chairman Harvie announced this year's Memorial Day Parade which will start at 1 p.m. at Pennsbury High School on Sunday, May 25th. The parade ends at Veterans Park in Fallsington. Chairman Harvie thanked the Pennsbury cheerleaders for coming out this evening and congratulates them on their achievement.

Member Dence moved to adjourn the meeting; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (4-0) The meeting was adjourned at 8:31 p.m.



Jeffrey Rocco, Secretary