

**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 7:08 p.m. with roll call and pledge 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.

GRADUATION CEREMONY FOR THE CITIZENS POLICE ACADEMY

Chief William Wilcox and Officer John Yeager recognized the participants who attended the 2016 Falls Township Citizens Police Academy. Officer Yeager gave an overview of this year's curriculum which included crime scene investigation, use of force, officer safety, deadly force, S.W.A.T. training procedures, a visit to Judge Vislosky's courtroom, traffic stop scenarios, K-9 class with Monte and Tag, a narcotics presentation, shoot/don't shoot scenarios, and an overview of the Diane Corado investigation. Officer Yeager thanked fellow police officers, Chief Wilcox, and the township for their support of this program. Chairman Harvie thanked the police department and Officer Yeager for working with all of our community policing efforts. The next class will be sometime in 2017.

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

No one signed in for public comment.

**ITEM # 2 CONSIDER REQUEST FROM 38 CABOT BOULEVARD, LP TO
INSTALL AN ON-LOT SEWAGE DISPOSAL SYSTEM PURSUANT
TO CHAPTER 184 OF THE FALLS TOWNSHIP CODE**

Member Boraski moved to approve the request from 38 Cabot Boulevard, LP to install an on-lot sewage disposal system pursuant to Chapter 184 of the Falls Township Code; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

**ITEM # 3 CONSIDER ADOPTING 2017 BUDGET AND RESOLUTION
ESTABLISHING MILLAGE RATE FOR YEAR 2017**

Manager Gray provided answers to questions raised by Mr. Mariani at a previous meeting. For the bookkeeper salary entry, \$116,500 was budgeted for 2016 and \$171,000 for 2017. In the 2016 budget, this line was for 2 bookkeepers. The third was a clerk at \$166,000 for the

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3 employees. In 2017, the clerk was promoted to bookkeeper. That money was shifted to another line item. There was another question about plumbing permits. There was \$100,000 in 2016 and \$36,000 in 2017. In 2016, Pennwood Crossing was issued 835 plumbing permits for a water heat installation project. This almost tripled the revenue for 2016. In 2017, we budgeted as in prior years. There was also a question as to who was earning overtime and why it was budgeted at a certain levels. Overtime is based by department. We may not spend the budgeted amount, but employees are eligible to earn the overtime so we have to budget for it. Member Dence said the budget process starts with the board about a month or two ago. The process and presentation is excellent with Mrs. Reukauf and Manager Gray. Chairman Harvie thanked all of the department heads as well as Mrs. Reukauf and Manager Gray. Member Galloway moved to adopt the 2017 Budget as presented; Member Boraski seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0) Member Dence moved to approve Resolution # 16-40, establishing the millage rate for year 2017; Member Boraski seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

ITEM # 4 CONSIDER AWARDDING WORKERS COMPENSATION CONTRACT FOR YEAR 2017

Member Rocco moved to accept the quote from Delaware Valley Insurance Trust (DVIT) and State Workers Insurance Fund (SWIF) in the amount of \$467,737; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

ITEM # 5 CONSIDER THE CROSSING GUARD CONTRACT FOR THE PERIOD 2017-2010

Manager Gray said a couple of highlights for this agreement are a 4-year term and a 3% salary increase. Member Galloway moved to adopt the crossing guard contract for the period of 2017-2010; Member Boraski seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

ITEM # 6 PUBLIC HEARING FOR CONSIDERATION OF APPLICATION FOR EMILIE TOWING & RECOVERY, LLC FOR STANDARD TOW TRUCK WRECKER SERVICE FOR THE 2017 CALENDAR YEAR

Chairman Harvie said there was an issue in regard to paperwork. Towers need to submit certain documents and there was a question about some of the insurance information for Emilie Towing. Ms. Gallagher said she and Manager Gray were provided with additional information so they are in the process of verifying it. They don't believe there should be any issue with the 2017 license. Member Dence moved to table this item until January 3, 2017; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

ITEM # 7 CONSIDER PURCHASE OF COPIERS AND A SCANNER FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT AND TOWNSHIP ADMINISTRATION

Manager Gray said the township secured a quote for wide format copiers and scanners at the same price that the Township currently pays. Mr. Matt Markey provided information for

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this purchase. It will be for Xerox to give us newer equipment and replace some current equipment. This is a 63-month contract. Xerox will move the equipment to our new township building when we are ready. Member Dence moved to authorize the purchase of copiers and scanners for the police department and administration according to the November 30, 2016 memo from Matt Markey; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

ITEM # 8 MINUTES – DECEMBER 5, 2016

Member Dence moved to approve the minutes from December 5, 2016; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

ITEM # 9 ENGINEERS REPORT

Mr. Sullivan said the boat ramp at the Quaker Penn Park has been removed. Member Rocco moved to approve the November, 2016 Engineers report dated December 15, 2016; Member Boraski seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

ITEM # 10 BILL LIST

Member Boraski moved to approve the December 19, 2016 bill list in the amount of \$1,605,550.75; Member Dence seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

ITEM # 11 EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Clarke said prior to the meeting the board met to discuss various personnel matters.

ITEM # 12 POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT

- Chief Wilcox said the police department has been very successful in achieving their goals and objectives. Their main goal is that every police officer gets home safe. They accomplish that in many ways. Chief Wilcox thinks it is very important that the public knows how professional and cooperative this board is in playing a significant part in making sure our police officers get home safe. Chief Wilcox thanked Manager Gray and the entire staff for doing the right thing all the time. He wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

ITEM # 13 MANAGER COMMENT

- A. Member Galloway moved to approve the indemnification agreement with New Falls Road, St. Joseph's Court, and Falls Township for samples homes; Member Rocco seconded the motion; all board members were in favor with the exception of Member Boraski who voted no. (4-1)

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- B. Member Rocco moved to approve the escrow release to Tool Pros Group, Inc. in the amount of \$7,920; Member Boraski seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)
- C. Member Rocco moved to approve escrow release # 4 to Morrisville Commons, LP in the amount of \$49,563.45; Member Dence seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)
- D. Member Rocco moved to approve escrow release # 1 to TBU Wells, LLC, in the amount of \$369,899.21; Member Boraski seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)
- E. Member Rocco moved to approve the Hiossen 90-day extension to March 7, 2017; the Dollar General extension to February 20, 2017; the Pennsbury Manor extension to April 14, 2017; and the New Seaview/Lubricycle extension to June 30, 2017; Member Dence seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)
- F. Manager Gray announced new township businesses. They are Teresa's Tarrot Shop, Tan's Tasty Cakes, Dream It Up Hobby and Gift Shop, and the Christmas Tree Stand.
- G. The re-organization meeting for the Board of supervisors will be held on Tuesday, January 3, 2017.

ITEM # 14 BOARD COMMENT

Member Rocco wished everyone a Happy New Year.

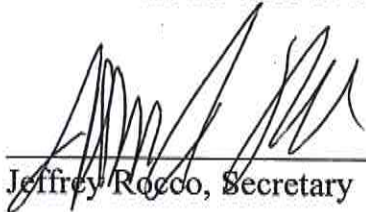
Member Dence wished everyone Happy Holidays and Happy New Year. He hopes Mr. Mariani is well as he was not at tonight's meeting.

Member Boraski said Merry Christmas to everyone.

Member Galloway wishes everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy Hannukah.

Chairman Harvie expressed thanks to Patty Powers who is stepping down from the Zoning Hearing Board. He thanked her for serving for about a decade. Chairman Harvie said he and fellow board members had a very good year in the township. They did a lot of good things. Chairman Harvie thanked the staff and everyone who works in this building for all of the hard work they do day in and day out. Chairman Harvie wishes all of the residents of Falls Township a Merry Christmas, Happy Hannukah, and a very Happy New Year.

Member Dence moved to adjourn the meeting; Member Rocco seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0) The meeting was adjourned at 7:52 p.m.



Jeffrey Rocco, Secretary