

**TOWNSHIP OF FALLS  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING**

**ROLL CALL:**

<b>ROBERT HARVIE, JR., CHAIRMAN</b>	<b>PRESENT</b>
<b>JEFFRY DENCE, VICE-CHAIRMAN</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>
<b>JEFFREY ROCCO, SECRETARY</b>	<b>PRESENT</b>
<b>JONATHAN SNIPES, SUPERVISOR</b>	<b>PRESENT</b>
<b>BRIAN M. GALLOWAY, SUPERVISOR</b>	<b>PRESENT</b>

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 Dence. Chairman Harvie said Member Dence was tied up at work and is unable to attend tonight's meeting. Also present were Township Manager Peter Gray, Township Solicitor Michael Clarke, Township Solicitor Lauren Gallagher, and Township Engineer James Sullivan. Chairman Harvie said at our last meeting on May 22, 2013, the video equipment malfunctioned. We had gone through about fifteen minutes of the meeting and they were told the equipment was down so we paused the meeting but the machine failed again and everything was lost. The previous meeting was not videotaped and will not be aired.

**DISCUSSION BY ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COUNCIL TO CONSIDER  
DESIGNATING FALLS TOWNSHIP A BIRDTOWN**

Mr. Wesley Plaisted, Chairman of the Environmental Advisory Board was present. He introduced Mr. Steve Saphier from the Audubon Society. Mr. Saphier said the Audubon Society of Pennsylvania has a program called Audubon at Home. It informs the public of how to create a healthy landscape for birds, people, and pets. They have a program called Bird Town which is a partnership between the Audubon Pennsylvania and municipalities around Pennsylvania. This program promotes conservation and stewardship, teaches ways to create a sustainable and healthier landscape, ways to attract birds and other wildlife, and provides education to reconnect people with nature. The program has been around for about three years. They have nineteen municipalities as designated bird towns. It is a partnership in which Audubon Pennsylvania creates opportunities for people to get outside and learn about nature. They have lecture series and festivals. They do training workshops each year and they teach people to read the ecological condition of their own yards and their neighbors' yards. Member Snipes asked about the township's involvement with this program. Mr. Saphier said it is designed for the Environmental Advisory Council and they take the lead on it. They put up signs and sometimes they will do projects within the parks. Mr. Saphier said they ask for the public to register their backyards and they encourage the Environmental Advisory Council to create events. Member Rocco mentioned a continuing problem the township has with Canadian geese. Mr. Saphier said they are a nuisance and maybe they can come up with some suggestions to help with that problem. Chairman

Harvie said Biles Island is an area for bird watching and is a major fly-away zone. Chairman Harvie thanked the Environmental Advisory Council for their work and for being here this evening. Member Snipes moved to approve to complete the application for \$450 to become a Bird Town; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (4-0)

**PRESENTATION BY PT WATER TRANSFORMATIONS REGARDING KAYAK SERVICES AT THE FALLS TOWNSHIP COMMUNITY PARK LAKE**

Mr. Bob Moyer and Mr. Patrick Mulhern spoke on behalf of PT Water Transformations. They will rent kayaks, canoes, and paddleboards at the Falls Township Community Park. They have been running a kayak business out of Bristol for the past four years and they do tours out of the Delaware. They will provide safety and education for folks renting their watercraft. The program will be up and running this week. They will be open at the park on Fridays from 2 to 7 p.m., Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m., and Sundays from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. PT Transformations can be found on Facebook at Falls Township Community Park Boat Rental.

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

Mr. Roland Kenney said he usually speaks about Benghazi, but they are having a meeting on that subject this week. He said he really does not have much to say tonight. Mr. Kenney said with regard to the NFA, they should have kept quiet about that. Mr. Kenney wished everyone a good night.

**ITEM # 2 HEUCOTECH – WAIVER OF LAND DEVELOPMENT – TMP # 13-47-34-1, 99 NEWBOLD ROAD, MORRISVILLE, PA**

Manager Gray said the applicant proposes to construct an 800 sq. ft. canopy above an existing concrete pad. Their location is TMP # 13-47-34-1, and they are located at 99 Newbold Road. The zoning is PIP. Representing the applicant is Mr. Tom Hecker. Mr. Hecker said Heucotech is in the thread manufacturing business and they employ about fifty people. They are requesting to be able to build a 20 ft. x 40 ft. canopy over an existing concrete slab and the canopy will provide some protection from the elements. Since they manufacture thread, there is pigment involved in that and they want to be able to control the pigment. It is controlled through the canopy. It is a way of making sure that nothing enters into the public system that shouldn't be there. It is basically a roof on top of an existing concrete slab. Mr. Hecker said they have received the review letters and the conditions in the review letters have been incorporated into the resolution. The conditions in the resolution are all will comply. Member Snipes asked Mr. Sullivan if the storm water collection has been addressed to his satisfaction. Mr. Sullivan said not at this time, but since they have agreed to all comments, he is sure they will comply. Member Galloway moved to approve Resolution # 13-12, granting waiver of land development to Heucotech, TMP 13-

47-34-1, 99 Newbold Road; Member Rocco seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (4-0)

**ITEM # 3    MERCER COURT – FINAL LAND DEVELOPMENT – TMP# 13-005-001 & 13-005-002 – 166-68 LINCOLN HIGHWAY, FAIRLESS HILLS, PA**

Chairman Harvie said this project involves construction of about fifty townhomes on property adjacent to the township property. Manager Gray said this project for Mercer Court is for final land development. The property is located at 166-68 Lincoln Highway. Representing the applicant is Mr. Rob Gundlach. Mr. Gundlach said they have worked with township staff and the Planning Commission over the past two years. A few months ago, they received approval based on several conditions. The applicant has been working to address those items, all of which will comply. They are here tonight requesting final approval subject to the outstanding conditions. Member Galloway asked Mr. Sullivan if he had any concerns. Mr. Sullivan said they have reviewed all of the concerns and said this resolution is ready for adoption. Member Snipes said he doesn't have any further concerns. He believes people are happy to see this part of Lincoln Highway developed. Member Rocco asked if the streets would be dedicated. Mr. Sullivan said no, this will be a private street. Mr. Gundlach said there was a comment in regard to hardship for parking. That was a carry-over comment that got picked up from the TP&D letter, but they revised the units back prior to preliminary approval. Mr. Sullivan said that this is his understanding as well. Member Rocco asked, in reference to the June 4th letter from the Fire Marshal, if there were an issue with the fire main. Mr. Gundlach said they had a meeting and the applicant is revising the plans to go back to the prior layout. Those plans will be reviewed as part of the cleanup items. Chairman Harvie said this should be a great addition onto Lincoln Highway. Chairman Harvie asked Mr. Sullivan if it is safe to say, with the construction of these townhomes, that there will be more control over the storm water from that property as well as coming from this property. Mr. Sullivan said that is correct. Member Snipes asked about the copy of the letter addressed to PENNDOT, from a local business about the traffic and if there were any response from PENNDOT. Mr. Gundlach said they spent almost a year or more working with PENNDOT on these roadway improvements. PENNDOT did request some improvements. As part of that, the applicant sent notices to surrounding neighbors and the only neighbor who expressed concern was the dentist and his ability to come out of his parking lot and make a left turn. Mr. Gundlach said right now there is a rumble strip and they stated that it seems to be an illegal left turn. Mr. Gundlach said they are just restriping and adding a left-turn lane. Member Galloway said the dentist had concerns about children crossing the road and going over to his mini golf. Chairman Harvie asked if there was any idea in terms of what the townhomes would cost. Mr. Gundlach said he does not have those notes, but they did provide architectural renderings and they are anxious to start the site improvements in the next month or two and see the homes built shortly thereafter. Member Snipes moved to approve Resolution # 13-13, granting final land development to Mercer Court, TMP 13-005-001 and 13-005-002, 166-68 Lincoln Highway, Fairless Hills, PA; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (4-0)

**ITEM # 4 CONSIDER PROPOSAL FOR SIX SIGMA REVIEW**

Member Rocco gave some information about the Six Sigma process. Six Sigma analyzes current processes. They look at the way we do things and determine if that is the best practice to follow. One of the things he would like to look at is how our permitting and zoning process works. Before we can look at how to improve it, we need to review the process. Ms. Jenni Alexander is a black belt in Six Sigma. Ms. Alexander said she works on direct customer-facing processes. Six Sigma looks at tools and strategy. Ms. Alexander said right now there is no set expectation on how long it will take and what contractors and business owners can expect. Their main goal is to reduce cost and increase revenue. The faster you can get things approved, the quicker you can get more revenue. It develops best practices guidelines. They will measure the data and analyze and investigate it. Then they will capture all of the process in process maps. It is a visual of how the process works. They will take the data and look at it to see how they can increase service levels and improve the process. Member Galloway said he has a lot of respect for the Six Sigma process. There was a meeting with the Community and Economic Development Commission and they had over thirty business people at that meeting. Whether the complaints were legitimate or not, it was alarming to hear them discuss certain departments in the township. Member Galloway said he thinks this is a good idea and that it is good to know we are looking to make our government more efficient. Member Snipes asked Member Rocco how this experience worked out in his case. Member Rocco said one of the things that we need to do is to understand the process. It is good to have a process in place for the employees to follow. Member Galloway said this is a system for continuous improvement. Ms. Alexander explained some of the areas she has worked in for manufacturing and other areas. She said she would like input from both business owners as well as residential customers. Chairman Harvie spoke in favor of how this system will help to make things better in the township. Member Snipes moved to open public comment; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (4-0) Mr. Andy Dell said in regard to the permit fees, he doesn't look at township residents as a revenue source. He knows you take a certain percentage of the fees, but he thinks there should be a flat fee for something like a new roof - just a nominal fee to pay the overhead. Mr. Dell said he believes the majority of this type of work is getting done without permits. He hears many contractors say Falls Township is the most costly township when it comes to permits. Member Rocco said this is not about fees. It is about knowing and understanding the process. Mr. Dell said he doesn't see the need to bring in an outside company when all it takes is a little bit of management. Mr. Dell said when you come in to pick up a form, they give you all the paperwork. You fill out the forms and you come back to get your permit. Chairman Harvie said the majority of the complaints they hear is about the time not the cost. Chairman Harvie said they have spoken with Mr. Bennett with regard to the cost of the permit fees. Mr. Bennett has worked in other areas and he has said that our prices compare with other communities. Chairman Harvie said they want to look at streamlining the process. Mr. Dell said further expressed concern over the cost of the permit fees. Chairman Harvie said every year they lose money in the Code Department. Member Galloway moved to close public comment; Member Snipes seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (4-0) Member Rocco said they budgeted \$10,000 for this item. This is for expertise

that none of them have. Member Galloway moved to retain the services of Ms. Alexander for the purpose of Six Sigma review for the total amount NTE \$10,000; Member Rocco seconded the motion. Member Galloway amended his motion to include the wording, consistent with Ms. Alexander's proposal at the rate of \$100 per hour; Member Rocco seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (4-0)

**ITEM # 5 DISCUSSION ON NEW FALLS ROAD SIDEWALKS**

Chairman Harvie introduced this item and provided some background information with regard to the New Falls Road sidewalks. Mr. Thomas Beach of Remington, Vernick & Beach, was present to answer questions. Mr. Beach said they took a look at this to see if there was a more cost-effective way to do pedestrian paths. The paths will start at Hood Boulevard and Penn Valley Road, go past the baseball fields, ice cream shop, bowling alley, new childcare facility, Vermilion Square Shopping Center, and down to the entrance of Vermilion Drive. Mr. Beach provided information on how the paths could be constructed. Some could be new asphalt and some could be painted or stamped asphalt. Member Snipes said what they are trying to do is to keep people away from the roadway. He asked how people will go from one side of New Falls Road to the other side. Mr. Beach said the safest way to cross from one side to another is at one of the intersections. PENNDOT does not want to see mid-road crosswalks. Member Rocco said they want to create the safest solution for the cheapest cost. He sees people walking on that road every hour of the day when he drives by. Chairman Harvie said they weren't really happy with the previous plan. The grass is worn out between the Vermilion Square Shopping Center and Vermilion Drive. Connecting sidewalks to that area is good. They will need signage on the Thornridge side to keep people off of that area. Chairman Harvie said they are looking at trying to get some state funding for this project and they are trying to do this in as much of a cost-effective matter as they can. Member Rocco asked about the timeline for this project. Mr. Beach said it will be about sixty to ninety days to complete the design, coordinate with the township, and submit to PENNDOT. Then there will be about a sixty-day review from PENNDOT. Construction would take a maximum of ninety days. Member Snipes asked if anyone has reached out to the business owners who would be affected. Mr. Beach said not yet. They looked at where they are located and what the impact might be. Member Snipes said, as a courtesy, he would like the businesses to be contacted to let them know about this proposed project. Member Rocco moved to open public comment; Member Snipes seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (4-0) Mr. Roland Kenney spoke about this agenda item not being on the original agenda. Chairman Harvie apologized and said some old agendas must have been mixed in with the new agendas. Mr. Andy Dell asked about what happened with the traffic study which was performed two years ago. Chairman Harvie said that is largely what Mr. Beach is working off of. They are narrowing down what Mr. Beach is being asked to look at. Mr. Dell said the parking area at the service center has very tight space. Mr. Dell stressed the importance of reaching out to the businesses so that no one gets upset over this. Mr. Guido Mariani said this takes him back to 2011 when the proposed cost was \$995,000. He wants to know what the real total cost of this project will be. He said sidewalks should be built in areas where a need can be clearly established. Mr. Mariani said he checked at various times throughout the day and the

largest number of pedestrians he saw at any given time was three people walking there. He asked about the circumstances that would indicate a need for these paths. He said there is nothing in this area that would indicate a large pedestrian gathering that would generate the need for these sidewalks. He thinks that eventually sidewalks will be built on both sides of New Falls Road. Mr. Mariani said this is un-necessary expenditure. Mr. Mariani said the township should contact Senator Tomlinson, Senator McIlhinney, Representative Galloway, and Representative Tina Davis before anything is started. He thinks before this project is done, it will be pushing \$1,000,000. Chairman Harvie said he disagrees with Mr. Mariani and said we are talking with Representative Galloway in regard to the transportation deal and what projects might be suitable. Member Snipes moved to close public comment; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (4-0) Member Galloway moved to approve the proposal from Remington, Vernick & Beach in the amount NTE \$24,604; Member Rocco seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (4-0) There was a break in the meeting at 8:45 p.m. and the meeting reconvened at 9:05 p.m.

#### **ITEM # 6 DISCUSSION ON THE GUN BUY-BACK PROGRAM**

Chairman Harvie said following events involving firearms, there has been a lot of discussion about how to approach this issue. One of the things that have been done in surrounding areas is a gun buy-back program. The Board of Supervisors asked the Police Department to put together a plan as to what can be done if they wanted to move forward with something like this. Tonight we will hear some of the ideas that were developed by the Police Department and at some point, a final determination will be made as to whether or not they want to move forward with this program. This is a discussion amongst board members, the Police Department, and the public. Sergeant Brian White and Lieutenant Henry Ward are present to discuss this further. Sgt. White said the personnel that would be needed for this plan would include one command officer, a supervisor, a custodian, and three clerks. They decide what equipment would be needed at the site location along with a secured safe. Part of what still needs to be decided would determine how much each gun would be purchased for and whether or not to categorize firearms and what prices should be paid for each of those categories. The categories may be assault rifles, semi-automatic hand guns, revolvers, rifles, and shotguns. The vast majority of a collection they did in Bensalem were in the bottom or least expensive category. Member Snipes asked how this would be advertised. Chairman Harvie said this is an anonymous program and they would not be asking for ID. There may be other people in addition to Falls Township residents. They could check for out of state license plates. In terms of advertising, they would rely on newspaper, the township channel, and the website. Sgt. White said they would use those methods of advertising in addition to flyer distribution. Member Rocco asked what the police department does with the weapons. Sgt. White said they all get sent away to be destroyed. There is a center in Pottstown that Bensalem used. Member Rocco asked how much money Bensalem paid out. Sgt. White said they collected over three hundred firearms and they did not run out of funds. A lot of the guns were old hunting rifles. It is unknown what to expect. Member Snipes asked about the theory behind the firearms being brought in. Sgt. White said the reasons are vast, but people may not want these firearms in their homes and cars and they don't want them getting into the wrong hands. Member Galloway said he

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views this as doing the residents a favor to take these guns off of their hands. Every gun turned in is one less gun that the police have to worry about, one less gun that might be stolen, or one less gun that a little kid might pick up. Any chance of reducing any of that in his mind is a good thing. There was discussion about capping the money being spent so they would not go over a certain amount. There is a chance of contacting local businesses to see if they would want to help sponsor this. Bensalem used a great deal of their money they received from drug forfeiter money. Member Rocco asked Sgt. White about his feeling about turning people away. Sgt. White said that since it is anonymous, they are not allowed to turn people away. Lt. Ward said something they need to think about is a person who may jump in line and pay more money for a gun that someone has who might be standing in line. Member Galloway moved to open public comment; member Rocco seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (4-0) Mr. Guido Mariani said it is delusional to believe that gun buy-back programs reduce criminal violence. That money could be put to better use. Mr. Mariani said proponents of this program haven't clearly identified the problem of criminal violence. The problem is not that there are too many guns; it is that there are too many criminals. Our police department will have to run every gun through the National database. If any gun was stolen, they have to return it to the owner. If there is any weapon that is used in criminal activity, it will need to be logged. Most of the guns turned in are not high-risk guns. Rarely is a suicide committed with the type of weapon that is turned in. Mr. Mariani said it is the criminal, not the fire arm. Get rid of the criminals. Mr. Roland Kenney said Obama wants to send guns overseas to the rebels. He thinks they should get these guns and send them over there. Mr. Kenney said he believes in the Second Amendment, but he doesn't allow guns in his house. Mr. Andy Dell said the guns you will get back are going to be junk. These are not guns of any quality. The criminals will not get rid of their guns and you will just basically pay money for trash. Mr. Dell doesn't believe this program will make a dent in any crime or any criminal activity. Mr. Thomas Wilson said if your job was to be out there every day, it gets your attention as far as weapons and it is getting worse month by month. It is a big problem. He is worried about firearms that are workable and a criminal breaking into a house, stealing a gun, and then using it. He also worries about children picking up that weapon, being curious, and using it. He said this is a start and feels you have to do something. Member Galloway moved to close public comment; Member Snipes seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (4-0) Chairman Harvie said they never mentioned buying weapons off of criminals. His concern is about people having these guns that they never get rid of, and someone breaking into their home and taking the gun. Then they do not know where the gun ends up. In regard to gun buy-back programs not decreasing crime, Chairman Harvie asks how can you measure crimes that would have been committed had you not taken action? How do we know that a gun that is turned in wouldn't have been stolen or used by a child? Chairman Harvie thanked everyone for their comments tonight as well as the plan put together by the police department. Member Galloway said not everyone has the same philosophy about this, but they may be doing someone a favor by getting rid of unused guns and possibly use drug seizure money as well. He thinks it is a worthwhile effort. Chairman Harvie said the board will need to decide the date and time to hold this program, what they will be offering, as well as some other decisions between now and a future meeting. There will be another chance for the public to comment on this. Member Snipes said the operations plan put

together by the police department was very clear and he thanked them for doing this. Chairman Harvie thanked Sgt. White and Lt. Ward for being here this evening.

**ITEM # 7 CONSIDERING ADOPTING FALLS TOWNSHIP EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK**

Manager Gray said the township has prepared a revised employee handbook. The last handbook was prepared over ten years ago. This revision includes updates including employee benefits, social media, e-mail, computer usage, leave of absence, FMLA issues and military leave. Chairman Harvie asked Manager Gray about a section on page eight regarding sexual orientation. Manager Gray said this particular copy does not have it included, but it will be added in. Member Snipes moved to adopt the Falls Township employee handbook as presented; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (4-0)

**ITEM # 8 CONSIDER AWARDING TOWNSHIP INSURANCE POLICY FOR THE PERIOD OF JUNE 18, 2013 TO JUNE 18, 2014 (PROPERTY, GENERAL LIABILITY AND PUBLIC LIABILITY)**

Manager Gray said the township received a letter from Gerry Vaughan Insurance Managers regarding the upcoming insurance proposal for the period beginning June 18, 2013 through June 18, 2014. Vaughan Insurance solicited quotes as follows: National Casualty in the amount of \$397,828; Travelers in the amount of \$308,576; Trident/MRM in the amount of \$365,499; BRIT/Companion in the amount of \$344,671. Penn Prime as well as Glatfelter/Professional Underwriters did not provide quotes. Last year, the township had Travelers for the insurance and was in the amount of \$296,016. The current quote from Travelers is 4.2% over the prior year. Manager Gray said some reasons for the increase include the senior center addition. They did an audit of all assets in the township and there were some assets included. Some insurance claims and the market factors into this as well. Member Snipes moved to award the township's insurance policy for the period of June 18, 2013 to June 18, 2014 to Traveler's Insurance in the amount of 308,576; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (4-0)

**ITEM # 9 CONSIDER ADOPTING ORDINANCE AMENDMENT TO THE TOWNSHIP CODE OF ORDINANCES, CHAPTER 203, SECTION 22 FOR NO PARKING SIGNS ON PHILADELPHIA AVENUE**

Chairman Harvie said board members had a discussion with the property owner who will be affected by this. What they propose to do is to table this item and then address it again in a month. We will have a meeting with the property owner. Member Snipes moved to table this agenda item to July 16, 2013; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (4-0)

**ITEM # 10 CONSIDER ADOPTING ORDINANCE FOR VACATION OF A PORTION OF OLD OXFORD VALLEY ROAD**



Member Galloway moved to open the public hearing for the Ordinance vacating a portion of Old Oxford Valley Road; Member Snipes seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (4-0) Member Galloway said this is to vacate a portion of Old Oxford Valley Road for a Civil Action docketed at Number 2010-13053 for properties on TMP 13-3-9-1, 13-3-3, and 22-57-8-12. There is also a small portion of this road that is located in Middletown Township, who is separately considering vacating that portion of the road. Upon vacating this property, Mr. Flynn will pay the township a sum of approximately \$38,000. Eventually, Mr. Flynn will submit a land development application for development of this piece of property. Member Galloway moved to open public comment; Member Snipes seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (4-0) Mr. Roland Kenney asked if this was Oxford Valley Road near the McDonalds. Chairman Harvie said no, this is an area behind the Red Roof Inn. Mr. Andy Dell asked who determined the dollar amount for this transaction. Ms. Gallagher said it was appraised by Benchmark Appraisal Group. Mr. Dell asked how large of an area this is. Ms. Gallagher said it is 12,917 sq. ft. Mr. Dell said this seems like a fair price for this property. Member Snipes moved to close the public hearing; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (4-0) Member Snipes moved to adopt Ordinance # 2013-3 for vacation of a portion of Old Valley Road; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (4-0)

**ITEM # 11 CONSIDER JOINT RESOLUTION FOR THE FALLS TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND TULLYTOWN BOROUGH COUNCIL TO FIX THE MUNICIPAL BOUNDARY LINE**

Chairman Harvie said a few years ago, an issue was raised about the border between Falls Township and Tullytown, as it applied to one of the landfills that we share. The geographic feature of that property line was buried under trash. The Tullytown engineer did not agree with the Falls Township engineer with regard to the boundary line. They both agreed to hire a firm to do orthorectification which means they fly over in an airplane, take a picture, and match it up to existing features. That was done in October, 2012. For the past several months, there has been a lot of disagreement over the reports they were presented with. Despite numerous attempts to get the Tullytown solicitor to meet with our solicitor to look at the plans, it took a few months to realize that what they agreed upon is now solved. Chairman Harvie thanked the Mayor of Tullytown, David Cutchineal, for his help. Mr. Clarke said once the line is established, then the amount of trash that is dumped in and the amount of tipping fees that are paid will be adjusted by Waste Management to correspond with the percentages on the landfill. It will also apply to an area known as Valley Fill, which Waste Management is currently in the process of permitting, and will be another landfill they will use in the interim while waiting for the Coke Works landfill to come on line in the next five years. We have had several discussions with Waste Management where, if there is an overpayment, the payments will be adjusted accordingly from that day forward. Once this dispute came to the attention of Waste Management, Waste Management started paying the fees of 50% to each municipality, figuring it would be much easier to rectify at some later date. Member Snipes asked where we stand as of now. Mr. Clarke said the only indication that we have, is from a meeting with Waste Management where an overpayment to Falls Township may have been made in the amount of \$5,700.

Member Snipes asked about the meaning of pivot point. Mr. Sullivan said a pivot point is a change in direction of the boundary. Member Rocco said it was reported that the dollar amount was six figures, not four. Mr. Clarke said all the information they have had and all of the discussions with Waste Management said that the amount they are talking about is in the \$5,700 range. If someone is talking about six figures, they may be referring to Valley Fill, but that is not an overpayment; it is an establishment of a line. Member Snipes moved to approve Resolution # 13-14, for the joint Resolution for the Falls Township Board of Supervisors and Tullytown Borough Council to fix the municipal boundary line; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (4-0)

**ITEM # 12 CONSIDER RENEWAL OF THE POLICE CHIEF'S EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT**

Mr. Clarke said the original agreement with Chief Wilcox became effective on October 17, 2007. It was a five-year contract and when it expired on October 16, 2012, there were five consecutive one-year renewals. The board took the action of renewing the contract last July 17, 2012. Since our July meeting is within the ninety-day requirement of the contract's expiration date of October 16, 2013, we have listed it for approval this evening. All of the terms of the agreement that were negotiated in 2007 remain the exact same. Chief Wilcox's raise is dictated by the raise that is received by his Lieutenants. That contract for the Lieutenants is currently being negotiated now. If it is taken care of by October 16<sup>th</sup>, then he will get a raise on October 16<sup>th</sup>. If it is not yet completed by October 16<sup>th</sup>, then Chief Wilcox will get a raise retroactive to October 16<sup>th</sup> of this year. Member Rocco asked about Chief Wilcox's salary. Chief Wilcox's salary in 2007 was \$101,000. The salary he is working off of right now is a little over \$118,000. Mr. Roland Kenney said he has no problems if you renew the contract. As he said years ago, Mr. Kenney has no problem putting Chief Wilcox up against any other Chief in the country. Member Rocco moved to approve the renewal of the Police Chief's employment contract; Member Snipes seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (4-0)

**ITEM # 13 CONSIDER CHANGE ORDER FOR THE FALLS TOWNSHIP SENIOR CENTER**

Manager Gray said the township received a letter dated June 4, 2013 from Mr. Sullivan from T&M Associates regarding change order # 2 in the amount of \$65,215 for the Falls Township Senior Center. Mr. Sullivan said this change order involves the following: upgrade two existing windows; install two additional parking lot light standards with LED heads; upgrade seven existing parking lot standards to LED heads; upgrade PECO connection box to meet current standards; salvage and reinstall original automated front door; install additional storm sewer and convert basin to Bio-retention BMP; install 140 LF of wooden guiderail at the storm water basin. Member Galloway moved to open public comment; Member Rocco seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (3-0) (Member Snipes not present for the vote.) Mr. Roland Kenney said the lights are fantastic and everything you are doing for the seniors is a good thing. Member Galloway moved to close public comment; Member Rocco seconded the motion; all board members were in

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favor. (3-0) (Member Snipes not present for the vote.) Member Galloway moved to approve change order # 2 in the amount of \$65,215 for the Falls Township Senior Center; Member Rocco seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (3-0) (Member Snipes not present for the vote.)

**ITEM # 14 MINUTES – MAY 7, 2013 AND MAY 22, 2013**

Member Rocco moved to approve the minutes for May 7, 2013 and May 22, 2013; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (3-0) (Member Snipes not present for the vote.)

**ITEM # 15 ENGINEER'S REPORT**

Mr. Sullivan gave highlights of the May, 2013 Engineer's report. Most of the internal work at the Senior Center is complete and the contractor will move to the outside work. They are looking at an August 1<sup>st</sup> completion. The tennis court project has been completed and the courts are ready for use. For the 2012 Road Program, the storm sewer on Winding Way West and Midway Drive is nearing completion and should be done in the next two weeks. At that point, all roads will be under some type of reconstruction. In Fallsington, LaCrosse Street and Headley Place will be paved in the near future. Main Street still requires storm work. Mr. Sullivan said at this point, they believe the 2012 Road Program will be completed in late August. The 2013 Road Program should be starting at the end of the 2012 Road Program. Member Rocco asked about the Yatsko Field parking lot lighting. Mr. Sullivan said they don't anticipate going out to public bid because it will be less than the \$18,000 threshold. They will be soliciting directly to contractors. Chairman Harvie spoke about the drains in Fallsington. Yardley Avenue was paved right around Election Day in May. He said they appreciate everyone's patience with this project. Member Galloway moved to approve the May, 2013 Engineer's Report dated June 14, 2013; Member Snipes seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (4-0)

**ITEM # 16 BILL LIST**

Member Snipes moved to approve the bill list in the amount of \$2,185,647.71; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (4-0)

**ITEM # 17 EXECUTIVE SESSION – There was no Executive Session held.**

**ITEM # 18 MANAGER COMMENT**

- A. Member Snipes moved to approve the release of cash escrow in the amount of \$1,571 for 210 Durham Court in Fairless Hills; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (4-0)

**ITEM # 19 BOARD COMMENT**

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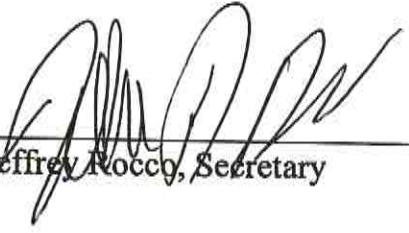
Member Rocco – no comment.

Member Galloway – no comment.

Member Snipes – no comment.

Chairman Harvie said the Fairless Hills Fire Company asked us to waive the application fee for the purchase of a liquor license. Member Galloway moved to waive the application fee for the purchase of a liquor license by the Fairless Hills Fire Company; Member Snipes seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (4-0) Chairman Harvie thanked everyone for a good, productive meeting. He wished everyone a safe and Happy 4<sup>th</sup> of July.

Member Rocco moved to adjourn the meeting; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (4-0) The meeting was adjourned at 10:20 p.m.



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Jeffrey Rocco, Secretary