

**Board of Supervisors – October 16, 2018**

**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>PRESENT</b>
<b>JEFFREY ROCCO, SECRETARY-TREASURER</b>	<b>PRESENT</b>
<b>BRIAN GALLOWAY, SUPERVISOR</b>	<b>PRESENT</b>
<b>JEFF BORASKI, SUPERVISOR</b>	<b>PRESENT</b>

The meeting commenced at 7:06 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.

**PROCLAMATION PRESENTED TO FALLS FIRE COMPANY FOR THEIR  
90<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY**

Mr. Harvie said the Township is honored tonight to celebrate the oldest and first fire company, Falls Fire Company, which is celebrating 90 years. There are several volunteers and lifelong members here tonight to accept the proclamation. Falls Fire Company Michael McClellan, Jr. introduced himself as the President of the Falls Fire Company and thanked the board for this recognition and for supporting them in this endeavor. He thanked the community in providing fundraising events so they were able to give back to the community. Mr. McClellan said that without the Boards support and the community’s support, they would not be where they are at today. Mr. Harvie wanted to remind the residents of Falls Township that the Fire companies are voluntary positions and they are always looking for more volunteers. They rely on funds from the Township and donations from the residents. Mr. Harvie stated that October is Fire Prevention month and the three Fire companies hold different events to make residents and business owners aware of safety measures they can take to keep them safe. Normally you change your smoke alarms when the clocks change which was October/April but now its November/March. Please remember to check your smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors during this time. The proclamation was read and presented to the Falls Fire Company. Member Dence moved to issue the proclamation to the Falls Fire Company; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

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

Mr. Guido Mariani stated that marijuana is a dangerous and gateway drug. This is the third time mentioning this to the Board, and according to the 2015 statistics, each year over 19 million people in the Unites States either use or are dependent on marijuana. Over 138,000 people had to get treatment. The National Institute on Drug Abuse reports a person who smokes marijuana is more than 104 times more likely to use cocaine or go on to another drug rather than a person who never tried it.

A national survey said that between 43 and 48% of Americans have tried marijuana. Looking at the facts, it's important to understand that smoking pot and legalizing it is a slippery slope and it can become an addiction. Mr. Mariani stated he believes that it does become an addiction. Studies suggest that one in every nine users do become addicted to marijuana and it leads to experimentation to other drugs. Don't ignore the risks of marijuana especially when it comes to young people, that's where a great threat is because 6.5% of all high school seniors admit they use marijuana daily. I am asking the Board of Supervisors to pass an ordinance to keep this death rattle, this dangerous thing out of Falls Township. There is an election coming up within 21 days and I would urge everyone to vote, and when you vote, vote against any candidate who favors legalizing this drug because other drugs are going to follow. I know how the Chairman feels about legalizing marijuana, but I do not know how the other four members of this Board feel. Mr. Mariani asked the Board what their position is on legalizing marijuana. Mr. Dence stated the Board is not legalizing marijuana. Mr. Mariani asked are you in favor of passing an ordinance in Falls Township to keep it out. Mr. Dence asked Mr. Clarke if they are allowed to voice their opinion. Mr. Clarke stated no, that this would be clearly pre-empted by the State or the Federal government. If they legalize it, they would give us the guidelines on how we can restrict where it is used. No municipality is allowed to outright prohibit the sale of medical marijuana. Mr. Mariani said you could prevent the tools that they need to bring it in and maintain it. Member Boraski asked if it is for recreational marijuana or medical marijuana. Mr. Clarke said for either, there is no recreational marijuana in the state of Pennsylvania, there is only medical marijuana. Municipalities can only place restrictions on it that are provided by the State in the legislation or by the Department of Health in the rules that they have produced for handling medical marijuana. I would suspect that if the State ever approved recreational marijuana, that we would get the same type of limitations of what we can or cannot do. I don't believe recreational marijuana is being proposed at this time in Pennsylvania. Mr. Mariani said that he does not believe that anyone is opposed to medical marijuana. I think you could restrict it and make life very difficult for its distribution and its use in the Township. I would do everything I can to hinder it. Mr. Rocco stated that recreational marijuana is coming.

**ITEM # 2 AIRGAS USA, LLC – MINOR SUBDIVISION AND PRELIMINARY AND FINAL LAND DEVELOPMENT – MIDDLE DRIVE – TMP# 13-051-001**

Manager Gray said the applicant is proposing improvements which consist of subdividing lot one into two lots, whereas proposed lot two will consist of 8.77 acres and construction of an air separation unit and liquefier. The applicant is represented by Mr. Tom Jennings and Mr. Jessie Carter. Mr. Jennings stated that he is representing Airgas in seeking adoption of two resolutions, one for a minor subdivision and one for preliminary and final land development. Airgas appeared before the Falls Township Planning Commission on August 28<sup>th</sup> and received approval. Airgas has signed a purchase and sale agreement with US Steel for an 8.77-acre site at KIPC and is scheduled to close in the very near future. The property is currently an unimproved lot within the main TMP, thus the application for subdivision which is supported by the property owner. The property is within the MPM (Materials Processing and Manufacturing District). Airgas proposes to construct and operate an air separation unit at the site which will be described by Jessie Carter, the Airgas Project Developer. Mr. Jennings presented Jessie Carter to describe the project and drawings. Mr. Carter explained that Airgas is the nation's leading manufacturer and supplier of industrial gases, welding equipment and supplies and safety products.

The subject of this project is the development of an air separation plant. For this project, Airgas will be manufacturing oxygen, nitrogen and argon and the main focus will be enhancing the reliability of our supply of oxygen to hospitals. Airgas supplies more than 20 hospitals in the Delaware Valley and the Lehigh Valley and this will supplement that supply. An air separation plant is a clean industrial process in which it uses ambient air, the same air that we breath and it emits no emissions and produces no hazardous or residual waste in connection with the operations. The process consists of incoming air being compressed, the air is then purified. Dirt, dust and moisture are removed then clean dry gas is fed to a cryogenic distillation unit where the air is then cooled to cryogenic temperatures. It is sent to storage facilities that we distribute to local customers which includes hospitals. Airgas is seeking four waivers for the subdivision and several waivers for the land development which are will comply issues. Member Galloway asked if Mr. Carter can explain the waiver they are requesting for the easement near the permanent structure. Mr. Carter stated that it is a brown field property which is subject to a blanket easement in favor of the seller for all of the existing utilities on the site. Chairman Harvie asked where the nitrogen and argon will be distributed. Mr. Carter stated the nitrogen will be distributed to customers ranging from the electronics field to metal fabrication as well as the food industry. The argon is primarily used for welding. Chairman Harvie asked how it is stored and transported. Mr. Carter said that all products produced in our distillation process are fed through a short pipe rack to storage tanks. The storage tanks serve as inventory for our tractor trailers to pick up the products and deliver to the customers. Chairman Harvie asked what the dangers are with vehicles carrying liquid oxygen. Mr. Carter stated no notable risk since oxygen supports combustion. Airgas does not store fuels in bulk on site to manage that risk. Mr. Sullivan asked if they have permission from the owners of the easements to occupy the easements of the permanent structures. Mr. Jennings stated yes. Mr. Clarke asked if there is a regulatory agency that has jurisdiction over the process that has been described. Mr. Jennings stated the operation will be permitted by PA DEP and the NPDES permit application is pending and under review. Mr. Clarke asked if they have DEP approval to conduct this business at the KIPC. Mr. Carter said they are awaiting final approval. Member Rocco moved to approve Resolution # 18-20 for Airgas USA – Minor Subdivision; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0) Member Galloway moved to approve Resolution # 18-21 for Airgas USA – Preliminary and Final Land Development; Member Dence seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

**ITEM # 3      PENSKE TRUCK LEASING CO. LP – WAIVER OF LAND  
DEVELOPMENT – 225 NEWBOLD ROAD – TMP# 13-028-062-005**

Manager Gray stated that applicants proposed improvements consist of construction of the 1,600 square foot building expansion. The applicant is represented by Mr. John Wiltanger. Mr. Wiltanger said Penske is a full-service lease and maintenance trucking company which works in the residential and commercial rental of trucks. The addition will be a storage facility for any of our trucks that are damaged. This addition will be a 40ft by 40ft parts storage building which will be constructed at the rear of the facility to store body parts for the trucks such as bumpers, fenders, hoods, etc. It will be a pole barn building with a concrete slab. Penske meets all zoning requirements and no waivers were requested. Member Dence moved to approve Resolution # 18-22 for Penske Truck Leasing Co. LP – Waiver of Land Development; Member Rocco seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

**ITEM # 4 KENT’S TREE SERVICE – WAIVER OF LAND DEVELOPMENT  
1444 S. PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE – TMP# 13-048-047**

Manager Gray said the applicants proposed improvements consist of the construction of a new pole barn on an existing property over existing impervious surface area. The applicant is represented by Ms. Kristin Holmes. Ms. Holmes stated that they are constructing a new 1,500 square foot pole barn on the property that is currently owned by Kent’s Tree Service. They will construct the pole barn on the rear of the property. This will be utilized for storage of the vehicles. The pole barn will be added over existing impervious surface in a fenced area. Ms. Holmes said she received the various review letters and the letter dated October 5, 2018 from Jones Engineering with the waivers that were requested. Member Rocco moved to approve Resolution # 18-23 for Kent’s Tree Service – Waiver of Land Development; Member Boraski seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

**ITEM # 5 CONSIDER AUTHORIZATION FOR ADVERTISEMENT FOR  
ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 209 – ZONING**

**ITEM # 6 CONSIDER AUTHORIZATION FOR ADVERTISEMENT FOR  
ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 191 – SUBDIVISION AND LAND  
DEVELOPMENT**

**ITEM # 7 CONSIDER AUTHORIZATION FOR ADVERTISEMENT FOR  
ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 187 – STORMWATER  
MANAGEMENT**

**ITEM # 8 CONSIDER AUTHORIZATION FOR ADVERTISEMENT FOR  
ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 122 – EARTH DISTURBANCE**

**ITEM # 9 CONSIDER AUTHORIZATION FOR ADVERTISEMENT FOR  
ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 170 – REGULATE PODS AND  
DUMPSTERS**

**ITEM # 10 CONSIDER AUTHORIZATION FOR ADVERTISEMENT FOR  
ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 182 – RIGHTS OF WAY**

**ITEM # 11 CONSIDER AUTHORIZING ADVERTISEMENT FOR ORDINANCE  
CHAPTER 199 – ESTABLISH TREE PROTECTION STANDARDS**

Chairman Harvie mentioned the Township Zoning Ordinance, items five through eleven, have been reviewed and updated throughout the past two years by Township staff and Township professionals. Lauren Gallagher will give a brief description of the proposed ordinances and the Board will vote for approval for items five through eleven altogether. Chairman Harvie said that a special meeting will take place in December to make a motion to approve these ordinances. Ms. Gallagher stated that the zoning change will affect at least a dozen properties and there will not be any changes to the existing uses on any property in the Township. There were some inconsistencies with the Zoning ordinance and the Subdivision and Land Development ordinance.

Ms. Gallagher stated that there was a United States Supreme Court case that came down regarding signs so there will be another comprehensive revision of the sign ordinance that will bring us into compliance with that Supreme Court decision. The Telecommunications ordinance was changed to keep up with the current state of technology. There were revisions made to the Stormwater and Earth Disturbance ordinance to make it current, so Developers understand what is required. Changes to Chapter 170, Pods and Dumpsters, were made to regulate how long they can be placed on a property and if they will require permits. The Rights of Way ordinance set forth what was required for the rights of way in the Township. The Tree Protection ordinance will require a developer to replace trees they remove. Member Dence asked to explain what the pods are for. Mr. Bennett stated that pods are temporary storage devices that are dropped off in a driveway for residents' belongings if they have a flood, fire, etc. Member Dence asked what the Tree Protection standards consist of. Mr. Bennett stated that the tree protection standard is put in place so that contractors can not come in and remove trees without permits or regulations in place. Lauren Gallagher stated the tree protection standard portion of the ordinance is for someone removing more than 5,000 square feet of trees. Mr. Bennett stated that it is not for someone removing one or two trees. Mr. Sullivan said that if you are disturbing more than 5,000 square feet on any one property, than the tree replacement ordinance sets in. Ms. Gallagher mentioned there had been instances in the past where trees were removed, and we did not have an ordinance in place. Member Dence asked if the pods can be placed in the street or on their property. Mr. Bennett said it should be on their property and the new ordinance states that if they do not have the room on their property they will be required to receive approval from the Police department to make sure that proper measures are in place. Chairman Harvie asked if the new Stormwater ordinance will help with the Community Rating System through FEMA. Mr. Jones said that the changes in the new Stormwater Management are more functional. This will help us in the future with the Community Rating System, so we are more organized and efficient through our floodplain management. Chairman Harvie said that the Community Rating System helps residents get out of flood zone areas or reduce the cost. Mr. Bennett and Mr. Jones are helping residents remove themselves out of the flood plain areas that were placed in these zones incorrectly from FEMA many years ago. The Community Rating System encourages communities to be conscious of Stormwater Management and Flood Plain protection to help reduce insurance cost. Member Rocco moved to open public comment; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0) Toni Battiste asked if zoning changes will affect the area around the Oxford Valley pool. Chairman Harvie said that will not be changing. Ms. Battiste asked if the Rights of Way ordinance will affect the utility companies' rights of ways with the electric lines and phone lines. Ms. Battiste stated Comcast and Verizon upgrade their lines and leave the older wires and do not remove them. Can something be placed in the ordinance to require these companies to remove the old lines. Chairman Harvie stated they cannot place restrictions on the cable companies. The Township does not have the authority to stop them. Chairman Harvie mentioned they can contact the cable companies and voice their concerns. Member Dence moved to close public comment; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0) Member Dence moved to authorize advertisement for Ordinance Amending Chapter 209 – Zoning; Ordinance Amending Chapter 191 – Subdivision and Land Development; Ordinance Amending Chapter 187 – Stormwater Management; Ordinance Amending Chapter 122 – Earth Disturbance; Ordinance Amending Chapter 170 – Regulate Pods and Dumpsters; Ordinance Amending Chapter 182 – Rights of Way; Ordinance Chapter 199 – Establish Tree Protection Standards. Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

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Lauren Gallagher said Harrisburg is considering House Bill 2564 which is known as the Small Wireless Facilities Deployment Act. If this bill passes it would mandate that local municipalities such as the Township permit wireless telecommunication providers to deploy small wireless facilities within the public right of way. This would take the local municipalities authority to implement any type of zoning control over where and how they can go. It would also limit the fees that the Township charges for being in the right of way. The resolution is asking the Board to oppose House Bill 2564 and encourage Harrisburg to implement changes to this Bill to allow the Township to retain its local control over zoning. Chairman Harvie stated that this House Bill would restrict our ability to have any control over where they can go. We feel this House Bill is not constitutional or in line with any Federal law. Member Galloway moved to approve Resolution # 18-24 Opposing House Bill 2564; Member Boraski seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

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**ITEM # 12 CONSIDER ADOPTING AMENDING CHAPTER 184 – SEWERS AND WATER – TO AMEND PART 5 ON-LOT SUBSURFACE SEWAGE DISPOSAL FACILITIES AND PRIVATELY-OWNED COMMUNITY SEWAGE SYSTEM REGULATIONS – SECTIONS 84 THROUGH 97**

Ms. Gallagher mentioned that the main change for this ordinance is that Township of Falls Authority will not perform the inspections but rather the Department of Health will oversee the permits and inspections. The Board of Health prepared a list of approved Pumper and Haulers for the residents to choose from. The draft ordinance was advertised then forwarded to the Department of Health for review. The Department of Health had made some changes to the draft ordinance. The ordinance was updated to reflect those changes and the Board is asked to approve the revised ordinance. Ms. Gallagher said that re-advertisement was not necessary for those changes. Ms. Gallagher read and explained all the changes. Chairman Harvie stated that a special meeting was held on October 1, 2018 with Township officials and professionals, staff from TOFA and members of the community to express some concerns and have some questions answered regarding the ordinance change. Some residents were concerned that the Department of Health would require older septic systems to file for permits to be approved. The Township received an answer from the Department of Health that they will not require sewage permits that predate the department. Member Rocco moved to open public comment; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0) Bob Wing thanked everyone for working with the residents on this ordinance. He asked what year the Board of Health was referencing for the pre-date of the department. Chairman Harvie stated that we will look into that. Member Rocco mentioned that it seems that significant changes were made to the ordinance and he would like to know why we would not re-advertise it. Ms. Gallagher stated that changes were very minor language changes and they would not rise to a level that would constitute a substantial amendment and does not affect the substance of the ordinance. Member Dence moved to adopt Ordinance # 18-4 Amending Chapter 184 – Sewers and Water; Member Rocco seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

**ITEM # 13    CONSIDER MANAGER TO FINALIZE THE AWARD BID FOR THE 2018 ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM LANDSCAPING**

Manager Gray stated that the 30-day responsible contractors review period for the 2018 landscaping portion of the road program will be completed prior to the next Board of Supervisors meeting in November and the Board is asked to consider allowing the Township Manager to finalize the award for the landscaping contingent upon a successful outcome of T&M's responsible contractor review. Member Dence moved to authorize the Township Manager to finalize the award for bid to Bustleton Services, Inc. for the 2018 Road Improvement Program Landscaping; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

**ITEM # 14    CONSIDER AUTHORIZATION FOR ADVERTISEMENT FOR THE QUAKER PENN PARK ELECTRIC AND CAMERA PROJECT**

Manager Gray is asking the Board to consider authorizing advertisement for the Quaker Penn Park Electric and Camera project. The bid specifications will be completed by Township staff and Jones Engineering Associates. Mr. Lawson explained that they are looking to turn Quaker Penn Park into more of a community park for the residents. A playground has been added, trees are being removed, picnic tables are placed along the river and the pavilion. Mr. Lawson stated we are looking to add six street lights and six parking lot lights to the area for visibility and safety. The Public Works department put in the pole bases, put up the lights and put in the conduit but do not have the equipment to pull the wire through. We are looking to go out to bid for the electric and cameras. Mr. Dence asked if the 240-volt lighting will be sufficient for the cameras. Mr. Lawson said the cameras will be 120 volt. Mr. Dence asked if the specifications are adequate for pulling the wires for the cameras. Mr. Lawson stated yes. Mr. Dence mentioned there are two cameras currently at the boat ramp and we are looking to place cameras at the entrance to be able to have surveillance on who is coming and going. Mr. Rocco asked if the cameras will pick up the license plates. Mr. Lawson said that the camera will be on the pole with the light and will be able to pick up the license plates. Member Galloway moved to authorize advertisement for the Quaker Penn Park Electric and Camera project; Member Dence seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

**ITEM # 15    MINUTES – SEPTEMBER 18, 2018**

Member Dence moved to approve the minutes from September 18, 2018; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

**ITEM # 16    ENGINEERS REPORT**

Mr. Sullivan stated that the contractor for the 2018 Road Program encountered a water service issue that was mismarked by PA American by 14 feet. Eleanor Roosevelt Elementary school closed down early that day since the water service was shut off. PA American has been working on the problem at night to not disrupt the school or residents. Chairman Harvie said PA American is replacing the pipes from plastic to metal pipes so it makes it easier to find when a problem occurs. Due to this issue, the road program was delayed by a week. Member Rocco moved to approve the September 2018 Engineers Report dated October 11, 2018; Member Dence seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

**ITEM # 17 BILL LIST**

Member Galloway moved to approve the amended bill list for October 16, 2018 in the amount of \$1,795,191.75; Member Rocco seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

**ITEM # 18 EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Board held an Executive Session on October 2, 2018 to discuss various personnel matters and several matters of potential litigation and the Board held an Executive session prior to tonight's meeting to discuss potential litigation and a personnel matter.

**ITEM # 19 POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT**

Lt. Henry Ward reported on the following:

- A. Cpl. Wolverton and Officer Yeager are back at the parochial schools for the DARE Program and working on a new program for the Pennsbury elementary schools.
- B. Office Yeager will be speaking at the Bucks County Technical High School, open to all residents, on October 25, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. which will discuss drug use and suicide prevention.
- C. The Police department is making arrangements with the Pennsbury Elementary schools for the Chief for the Day program.
- D. Citizens Police Academy is continuing every Tuesday and Wednesday night at the Township Building held in the Public Meeting room.
- E. The Great Shredder event will take place Saturday, October 27, 2018 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and the Drug Drop event will take place the same day between 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. The only form of medication accepted is pill and liquid form, no syringes.

Chairman Harvie mentioned last year the Hotel/Motel ordinance was passed requiring owners/managers to keep a list of all guests checking in to try and prevent drug use in the Township. Chairman Harvie asked Lt. Ward how the Police department is handling this. Lt. Ward stated that this is working out very well. There have been many arrests since the ordinance was passed. The Hotel/Motels are working with us and contacting us if they feel any type of suspicious activity with the guests and some arrests have been made because of that.

**ITEM # 20 MANAGER COMMENT**

- A. Member Dence moved to approve escrow release # 6 for MarMar Builders, Inc., in the amount of \$76,065.33; escrow release for TBU Wells/A.M. Gatti in the amount of \$3,247.29; escrow release for Harsco in the amount of \$5,226.94; escrow release for 7-Eleven in the amount of \$754.50; escrow release for Fairless Hills Shopping Center in the amount of \$1,122.00; escrow release for T-Mobile in the amount of \$260.50; several escrow releases for Cricket Communications in the amounts of \$4,456.00, \$4,022.00, \$4,023.40, \$3,422.83 and \$2,658.84; Member Rocco seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)



- B. New businesses that opened in the month of September: AP Modern Electric, Infinity Tax & Accounting, LLC, 3J Floors and Blinds, Inc., Spirit Halloween, New Ultimate Billing, TLOR Holdings, LLC, AREPII BC Industrial, LLC, Heisenbooks and Tile Maya.
- C. Leaf collection dates are Saturday, November 17, December 1 and December 15, 2018.
- D. Ms. Gallagher mentioned that they received a request from the Residence Inn on Cabot Blvd. The developer entered into an agreement with the Township in 2005; In 2007 the maintenance bond was released which makes us believe that this project was completed. The property owner is looking to sell to a new company and the Title company is requesting an estoppel certificate which confirms that the requirements in the development agreement were completed and no money is owed to the Township pursuant to that agreement. We are working with Mr. Sullivan to confirm this information. There is an agreement that we made a few comments on that TOFA is the successor for the water and sewer agreement. The Township solicitor for TOFA is reviewing it on their end. The estoppel certificate needs to be updated to reflect we can only guarantee the Township agreement. The buyer is under a time restraint and asked if the Township can approve this contingent upon confirmation with Mr. Sullivan and Mr. Gray's offices that all these items are complete and execute this agreement. Member Rocco moved to approve the Managers office to a execute letter contingent upon review; Member Dence seconded the motion; all in favor. (5-0)

**ITEM # 21 BOARD COMMENT**

Member Galloway – no comment

Member Boraski – no comment

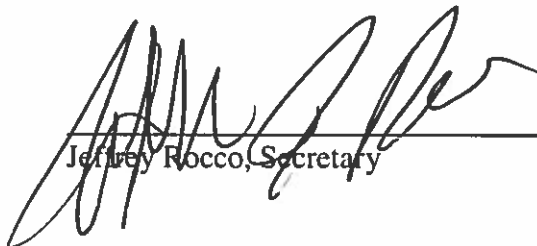
Member Dence – no comment

Member Rocco asked for an update on the Wawa. Mr. Sullivan stated they are still on the 30-day appeal period. Ms. Gallagher said that permits were issued two weeks ago, and they were going to advertise the issue, but we have not heard back. Mr. Dence asked if they are required to advertise. Ms. Gallagher said no. Member Rocco said in past practice when land development came before the Board, the developer would place money into a tree fund. Member Rocco wanted to know if this practice is still in place. Mr. Clarke mentioned that in the past, when a developer was seeking a waiver from street trees, in lieu of replacing the trees, we would ask them to make a contribution into a tree fund. Mr. Clarke said that he believes we have not done that in a few years but can circle back to see if there is any update in that area. Member Rocco said since we are removing so many trees if this is something the Board would like to look into again. Chairman Harvie stated that we have planted over 500 to 600 Bare Root trees in the past several years.

Chairman Harvie made a motion to appoint Suzanne Hannigan to the Community and Economic Development Commission; Member Dence seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0) Chairman Harvie made a motion to appoint Elizabeth Royer to the Disabled Persons Advisory Board; Member Dence seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0) Chairman Harvie made a motion to appoint Jeannine Delwiche to the Environmental Advisory Council; Member Dence seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

Chairman Harvie mentioned that Veterans day is November 11<sup>th</sup> and this is when we honor all that served in the U.S. armed forces. We are happy to have our own Board member Brian Galloway who served in the Navy. November 11<sup>th</sup> was originally called Armistice Day and it marked the end of the first world war. This year marks the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of that war. I received a letter in the mail from the United States World War 1 Centennial Commission asking the local communities to pass a Bells of Peace Proclamation which would ask houses of worship to ring their bells at the 11<sup>th</sup> hour on November 11<sup>th</sup>. World War 1 officially ended on November 11<sup>th</sup> at the 11<sup>th</sup> hour and this was a symbolic era because the people thought the war was close to destroying civilization and they wanted to remember this symbolically at the 11<sup>th</sup> hour. Chairman Harvie moved to issue the Bells of Peace proclamation; Member Boraski seconded the motion; all in favor. (5-0) Chairman Harvie mentioned that Election day is in a few weeks. We encourage you to come out and vote. The polls are open from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Chairman Harvie mentioned that it is breast cancer awareness month. Please make sure you are performing check ups and screenings.

Member Dence moved to adjourn the meeting; Member Boraski seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0) The meeting was adjourned at 8:46 p.m.



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Jeffrey Rocco, Secretary