

**TOWNSHIP OF FALLS  
ORGANIZATION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING**

**ROLL CALL:**

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

**TAKING THE OATH OF OFFICE - THOMAS MCGOLDRICK - AS AUDITOR  
TAKING THE OATH OF OFFICE - BRIAN M. GALLOWAY - AS SUPERVISOR  
TAKING THE OATH OF OFFICE - JEFFREY ROCCO - AS SUPERVISOR**

The meeting commenced at 7:08 p.m. with roll call and salute to the flag. All Board members were present. Also present were Township Manager Peter Gray, Township Solicitor Michael Clarke, and Township Engineer James Sullivan.

Member Snipes moved to appoint Member Harvie as the Temporary Chairman; Member Dence seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

**ITEM # 1 CHAIRMAN APPOINTMENT**

Member Snipes moved to appoint Member Harvie as the Chairman; Member Dence seconded the motion; all board members were in favor with the exception of Member Harvie who abstained from the vote. (4-0-1)

**ITEM # 2 VICE-CHAIRMAN APPOINTMENT**

Member Dence moved to appoint Member Snipes as the Vice Chairman; Member Rocco seconded the motion; all board members were in favor with the exception of Member Snipes who abstained from the vote. (4-0-1)

**ITEM # 3 SECRETARY/TREASURER APPOINTMENT**

Member Snipes moved to appoint Member Dence as the Secretary/Treasurer; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor with the exception of Member Dence who abstained from the vote. (4-0-1)

**ITEM # 4 ASSISTANT SECRETARY/TREASURER APPOINTMENT**

Member Snipes moved to appoint Manager Gray as the Assistant Secretary/Treasurer; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

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**ITEM # 5 ESTABLISH MEETING DATES AND TIME FOR REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

Member Snipes moved to establish the first and third Tuesday of the month for the regular meetings of the Board of Supervisors and set the time as 7 p.m.; Member Dence seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

**ITEM # 6 APPOINTMENT OF TOWNSHIP SOLICITOR AND SPECIAL COUNSEL – SET COMPENSATION FEES**

Member Dence moved to re-appoint the firm of Rudolph, Clarke, and Kirk at the rate of \$170/hr. for the Township and \$300/hr. for land development; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0) Member Snipes said this is the first this firm has increased their rates since 2008. Member Dence moved to re-appoint the firm of Flager and Yockey for Land Development Solicitor at the rate of \$145 for the Township and \$315 charged to developers; Member Rocco seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0) Member Snipes moved to re-appoint the firm of Curtin & Heefner as Labor Counsel at the rate of \$140 per hour for general labor and \$170/hr. for arbitration and litigation; Member Dence seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

**ITEM # 7 APPOINTMENT OF TOWNSHIP ENGINEER AND TRAFFIC ENGINEER – SET COMPENSATION FEES**

Member Snipes moved to re-appoint Mr. James Sullivan from T&M Associates as the Township Engineer at the rate stated in the proposed fee schedule; Member Dence seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0) Member Dence moved to re-appoint Mr. Jerry Baker from Traffic Planning and Design as the Township Traffic Engineer at the rate stated in the proposed fee schedule; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0) Member Dence moved to re-appoint Remington, Vernick, and Beach as the Conflict Engineer at the rate stated in the proposed fee schedule; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

**ITEM # 8 CONSIDER TOWNSHIP MANAGER'S AGREEMENT**

Chairman Harvie introduced this item. Member Rocco asked Manager Gray if he ever submitted compensatory invoices for extra time. Manager Gray said yes. Member Snipes moved to approve the employment agreement for Mr. Peter Gray for the year 2012; Member Dence seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0) Member Snipes said that Manager Gray helped guide us through a difficult period when the last Township Manager left. He thinks he has done a great job, especially working under pressure and with all of the responsibility he has.

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**ITEM # 9 APPOINTMENT OF VACANCY BOARD CHAIRMAN**

Chairman Harvie explained the conditions when a Vacancy Board Chairman would be needed. Member Snipes moved to re-appoint Mrs. Arlene Goulding as the Vacancy Board Chairman; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

**ITEM # 10 APPOINTMENTS TO VARIOUS BOARDS, COUNCILS, AND COMMISSIONS**

Member Dence moved to approve Resolution # 2012-01 to re-appoint Patricia Powers to the Zoning Hearing Board; Member Snipes seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0) Member Snipes moved to re-appoint Michael Evanick to the Board of Appeals; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0) Member Snipes moved to re-appoint William Renson to the Cable Advisory Board; Chairman Harvie seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0) Member Snipes moved to re-appoint James Hess to the Community and Economic Development Commission; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0) Member Snipes moved to re-appoint John Bentz and Eileen Donahue to the Environmental Advisory Council; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0) Member Snipes moved to appoint Robert Baker to the Historic Preservation Commission; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0) Member Snipes moved to re-appoint James Gibson to the Historic Review Board for a five-year term; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0) Member Snipes moved to re-appoint Quinn Kelly and Lois Lambing to the Parks and Rec Board; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0) Chairman Harvie moved to appoint James Esposito to the vacancy on the Park and Rec Board; Member Snipes seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0) Member Snipes moved to re-appoint Mrs. Perry and Mr. Shero to the Planning Commission; Member Dence seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0) Member Dence moved to appoint Member Galloway as the Board Representative to the Police Pension Committee; Member Snipes seconded the motion; all board members were in favor with the exception of Member Galloway who abstained from the vote. (4-0-1) Member Snipes moved to re-appoint Henry Conroy and Thomas Roche to the Police Pension Committee; Member Dence seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

**ITEM # 11 PUBLIC COMMENT – FIVE MINUTE LIMIT PER PERSON FORTY-FIVE MINUTE MAXIMUM**

Mr. Roland Kenney welcomed Member Galloway and Member Rocco to the board. Mr. Kenney said his wife retired at the end of last year and Mrs. Rooth will be retiring soon. He wishes the best of luck to Mrs. Joan Rooth on her upcoming retirement. Mr. Kenney said a few months ago there was someone who attended a Board of Supervisors meeting and tried to discredit the police department. Mr. Kenney said he considers our police department as

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one of the best in the United States. Mr. Kenney said there have been a lot of cars getting broken into or stolen and our police department has been able to recover a lot of them.

**ITEM # 12 APPOINTMENT OF DEPOSITORIES BY RESOLUTION**

Member Dence moved to approve Resolution # 2012-2 for the appointment of depositories; Member Rocco seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

**ITEM # 13 RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF AUDITORS TO SET THE TREASURER'S BOND AT \$2,000,000.00**

Member Snipes moved to set the Treasurer's bond at \$2,000,000; Member Dence seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

**ITEM # 14 NOMINATE DELEGATE AND ALTERNATE TO THE STATE ASSOCIATION'S 90<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL EDUCATIONAL CONFERENCE AND TRADE SHOW – MAY 6-9, 2012**

There was no action on this agenda item.

**ITEM # 15 EXECUTIVE SESSION - There was no Executive Session held.**

**ITEM # 16 MANAGER COMMENT - There was no Manager comment.**

**ITEM # 17 BOARD COMMENT**

Member Rocco wished everyone a Happy New Year. He thanked everyone for electing and voting for him and looks forward to the next six years.

Member Galloway wished everyone a Happy New Year. He said he looks forward to fulfilling the trust the voters of Falls Township have given him.

Member Dence wished everyone a Happy New Year. He looks forward to working with everyone, especially Member Galloway and Member Rocco.

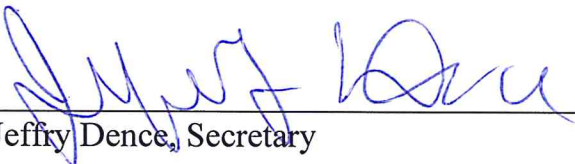
Member Snipes said they already have a good rapport with the new board members. Member Snipes said they need citizen involvement and he hopes the public will think about serving on some boards as well as attending these meetings. Member Snipes said he looks forward to 2012.

Chairman Harvie welcomed the two new board members. He thanked everyone for being here this evening and said this has been a very productive and smooth meeting. Chairman Harvie said Mrs. Joan Rooth, Township Secretary, will retire the middle of this month. He said everyone in this building has a lot of respect and admiration for Mrs. Rooth. She is a professional and knows how to do her job very well. She deals with the public very professionally and keeps this township moving in a positive direction. Chairman Harvie

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said we will miss her. Chairman Harvie wished Mrs. Rose Molle good luck in her new position as Township Secretary. Mrs. Molle was in the township's Code Enforcement Department for a while and is Mrs. Rooth's replacement. Chairman Harvie said there was a newspaper article about a rash of burglaries in the township. The police department has found that in a lot of these instances, the cars had the keys inside and some of them were running. Chairman Harvie reminded everyone to keep it in mind that if you get out of the car, take the keys with you and don't leave the car running. Also, do not leave children in the vehicle. Chairman Harvie thanked everyone who came out this evening as well as all who have voted and took part in that process. Chairman Harvie said he looks forward to a good year.

Member Snipes moved to adjourn the meeting; Member Dence seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0) The meeting was adjourned at 7:53 p.m.



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Jeffrey Dence, Secretary