

**TOWNSHIP OF FALLS
ORGANIZATION OF THE 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 7:05 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 Dence moved to appoint Member Harvie as Temporary Chairman; Member Rocco seconded the motion; all board members were in favor with the exception of Member Harvie who abstained from the vote. (4-0-1)

ITEM # 1 CHAIRMAN APPOINTMENT

Member Dence moved to appoint Member Harvie as Chairman; Member Galloway 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 Rocco moved to appoint Member Dence as Vice-Chairman; 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 # 3 SECRETARY/TREASURER APPOINTMENT

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

ITEM # 4 ASSISTANT SECRETARY/TREASURER APPOINTMENT

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

**ITEM # 5 PUBLIC COMMENT – FIVE MINUTE TIME LIMIT PER PERSON
FORTY-FIVE MINUTE MAXIMUM**

No one signed in for public comment.

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ITEM # 6 ESTABLISH MEETING DATES AND TIME FOR REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Member Dence moved to hold the 2015 Board of Supervisor meetings on the first and third Tuesdays of the month at 7:00 p.m.; Member Rocco seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

ITEM # 7 APPOINTMENT OF TOWNSHIP SOLICITOR AND SPECIAL COUNSEL – SET COMPENSATION FEES

Member Dence moved to appoint the firm of Rudolph and Clarke as Township Solicitor at the rate of \$170 per hour and \$300 per hour for land development; Member Rocco seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0) Member Galloway moved to appoint Mr. Jordan Yeager as Labor Counsel at the rate of \$140 per hour for general labor and \$170 per hour for arbitration and litigation; Member Dence seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0) Member Galloway moved to appoint the firm of Flager & Associates as Land Development Attorney at the rate of \$335 per hour; Member Dence seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

ITEM # 8 APPOINTMENT OF TOWNSHIP ENGINEER AND TRAFFIC ENGINEER – SET COMPENSATION FEES

Member Dence moved to appoint T&M Associates (Mr. James Sullivan) as Township Engineer at the same rate as 2014; Member Boraski seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0) Member Dence moved to appoint Remington, Vernick, Beach as the Traffic Engineer and Conflict Engineer at the same rate as 2014; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

ITEM # 9 CONSIDER TOWNSHIP MANAGER’S AGREEMENT

Member Dence moved to approve the agreement for the Township Manager; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

ITEM # 10 CONSIDER CHIEF OF POLICE AGREEMENT

Member Dence moved to approve the agreement for the Chief of Police; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

ITEM # 11 APPOINTMENT OF VACANCY BOARD CHAIRMAN

Member Rocco moved to appoint Mrs. Arlene Goulding as the Vacancy Board Chairman; Member Dence seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

ITEM # 12 APPOINTMENTS TO VARIOUS BOARDS, COUNCILS, COMMITTEES, AND COMMISSIONS

Member Rocco moved to appoint Mr. James Goodwin to the Township of Falls Authority Board; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor with the exception of Member Boraski who abstained from the vote, as Mr. Goodwin is his father-in-law. (4-0-1) Member Rocco moved to approve Resolution # 15-01 to appoint Mr. Al Brooks to the Zoning Hearing Board; Member Dence seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0) Member Dence moved to appoint Ms. Lolain Striluk to the Parks and Rec Board; Member Rocco seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0) Member Boraski moved to appoint Mr. Richard Rittler to a four-year term on the Planning Commission; Member Dence seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0) There is one vacancy on the Planning Commission. Member Boraski moved to appoint Ms. Jennifer Boccardo to a five-year term on the Shade Tree Commission; Member Dence seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0) Chairman Harvie serves as the liaison on the Environmental Advisory Council. Chairman Harvie moved to appoint Ms. Eileen Donahue to a full term on the Environmental Advisory Council; Member Boraski seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0) Chairman Harvie moved to appoint Mr. John Bentz to the Environmental Advisory Council; Member Boraski seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0) There is one opening on the Environmental Advisory Council. Member Dence moved to appoint Mr. Ralph Asplen to the Parks and Rec Board; Member Rocco seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0) Member Dence moved to appoint both Mr. Thomas Roche and Mr. Henry Conroy to a one-year term on the Police Pension Commission; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0) Chairman Harvie asked board members if they would agree to the Historic Preservation Commission updating the 1993 History of Falls Township documentation. Board members agreed. Member Dence moved to appoint Mrs. Regan to the Historic Preservation Commission; Member Rocco seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0) Chairman Harvie moved to appoint Mr. Thomas Stafford to the Disabled Persons Advisory Board; Member Dence seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0) Member Boraski moved to appoint Mr. Michael Evanick to the Board of Appeals; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

ITEM # 13 APPOINTMENT OF DEPOSITORIES BY RESOLUTION

Member Galloway moved to approve Resolution # 15-2 for appointment of depositories; Member Dence seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

ITEM # 14 RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF AUDITORS TO SET THE TREASURER'S BOND AT \$2,000,000

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

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ITEM # 15 NOMINATE DELEGATE AND ALTERNATE TO THE STATE ASSOCIATION'S 93RD ANNUAL EDUCATIONAL CONFERENCE AND TRADE SHOW – APRIL 19TH THROUGH APRIL 22, 2015

There was no appointment at this time.

ITEM # 16 CONSIDER 2015 FEE SCHEDULE FOR CODE, FIRE, AND PARKS & RECREATION

Manager Gray revised some of the changes to the fee schedule. Member Dence moved to approve Resolution # 15-3 for the 2015 Fee Schedule for Code, Fire, and Parks and Recreation; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor.

ITEM # 17 MINUTES – DECEMBER 16, 2014

Member Dence moved to approve the minutes from December 16, 2014; Member Rocco seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

ITEM # 18 EXECUTIVE SESSION

Prior to tonight's meeting, the board had an Executive Session to discuss several personnel matters and one matter of litigation.

ITEM # 19 MANAGER COMMENT

There was nothing to report for Manager Comment.

ITEM # 20 BOARD COMMENT

Member Rocco said he looks forward to 2015. He plans to look back through the minutes to give a year-end summary from 2014.

Member Dence said he looks forward to another great year in 2015.

Member Boraski thanked all of the volunteers who have been on the boards, some for quite some time, and also the new volunteers.

Member Galloway wished everyone a Happy New Year and said he looks forward to this coming year.

Chairman Harvie spoke about the folks who volunteer for the councils and commissions. There are a lot of good people from all over the township who have an interest in things and want to make our community a better place. We thank them for all of their hard work. Chairman Harvie said Manager Gray is getting inundated with inquiries about a company called Elcon, which is a waste-water treatment company that is proposing to come into the KIPC. They were here in late spring to make a very brief presentation as to what they are

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planning to do. In December, there was a hearing in this room, held by the DEP. There is currently a lot of misinformation about this company. They have to get a lot of permits from the DEP before they can bring anything forward to the township. This is not an incinerator. They take water used by the pharmaceutical, chemical, and sometimes oil industries, purify the water, and then sell it to companies who use distilled water. A lot of people think this is something that it is not. When you hear about meetings being held in this room, they are not meetings by the township; they are meetings being held by the DEP. They have a long way to go before they appear before the township.

Member Dence moved to adjourn the meeting; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0) The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.



Jeffrey Rocco, Secretary