

**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 7:05 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.

**PRESENTATION FROM THE FALLS TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT TO THE PENNSBURY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL STUDENTS WHO PARTICIPATED IN THE “CHIEF FOR THE DAY” PROGRAM**

Chief Wilcox said tonight they will present certificates to the students who participated in the Chief For The Day program. The students are all 5<sup>th</sup> graders and were selected by their teachers and principals. Chief Wilcox said the purpose of this program was to allow the kids to experience what he would experience on any given day. Chief Wilcox thanked the superintendent, the school principals, the teachers and support staff, Judge Vislosky, Mrs. Seiler who was instrumental in this program, each officer from the day shift and their supervisor, detectives, our support staff from records and evidence, Manager Gray, Matt Markey, and lastly, thank you to the parents for allowing your children to participate in this program. Chief Wilcox shared information about the program and how the children were able to experience how a police station works on a day-to-day basis. Chairman Harvie thanked Chief Wilcox for running this program.

**PROCLAMATION AWARD TO BE PRESENTED TO SHERWOOD TAYLOR FOR RETIRING FROM PENNSBURY SCHOOL DISTRICT AFTER OVER 40 YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE PENNSBURY COMMUNITY**

Chairman Harvie read a proclamation to honor Mr. Sherwood Taylor for his retirement after more than 40 years of service to the Pennsbury School District. Mr. Taylor is invaluable to the Pennsbury community and it is an honor to present him with this proclamation. Member Rocco moved to adopt the proclamation award to Mr. Sherwood Taylor; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0) Mr. Taylor said he appreciates the proclamation and is very humbled by this recognition. Mr. Taylor said the board and township have been a great support to the Pennsbury School District. He always appreciates the patrol cars that have been donated over the years by the township and said

you have given him the finest police officers to work with. If there is anything that involves the safety of the students, the police department is always there to help. The support from the fire marshal's office, the road crew, the D.A.R.E. program, and the resource officer has all been very much appreciated.

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

Mr. Marty McLoughlin was here on behalf of Extreme Fitness. They held the Fallsington 5K fundraiser for the Youth Police Academy. Mr. McLoughlin presented a check for \$5,308 to go toward this program. Mr. McLoughlin thanked the police officers, road crew, fire police and others who helped to make this event run smoothly. There were a lot of participants from surrounding communities. The date for next year's fundraiser is April 22, 2018.

Officer John Yeager said they will continue taking applications for the Youth Police Academy through the end of this week. They have almost 70 youth participating in this 10-day program. The program is open for students going into 9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade and graduates. You have to go to school, you can't be late, you have to try your best, and you cannot be a discipline problem. There is a mandatory parent/guardian meeting this Thursday night to listen to what this program entails. Parents are encouraged to be involved with their children because all too often, that does not happen. Officer Yeager said the Stadium bar will hold a fundraiser on July 8<sup>th</sup> from 3-6 p.m.

Mr. Mike Lees (AccuServices/Paul Davis Restoration) said they are located at 225 Lincoln Highway and have been in business for about 9 years. Mr. Earl New said they have 30 full-time employees and dozens of sub-contractors. They are a disaster restoration and remodeling company and they are dedicated to Falls Township. Mr. New also owns You Box It self-storage at 225 Lincoln Highway.

Ms. Lise Baxter is here about the Elcon application which was returned due to six discrepancies. One of those had to do with the current zoning which is Materials Processing and Manufacturing (MPM). Ms. Baxter asked if this is the proper zoning for them. Mr. Clarke said they haven't yet filed an application with the township. As part of this process, we may be asked by the DEP if it complies with zoning. If we are asked that and we respond to them, it doesn't mean we are in support of the project; it is just us filling out the DEP form. Chairman Harvie said if it is allowed by our zoning code, then it is allowed. If it is not allowed, then they would need to ask us to change the zoning. His assumption is that Elcon picked this site because it is allowed for them. Elcon does not have to go to the Zoning Board to determine if they are acceptable in MPM. We don't know what they are doing, because we don't have any plans. If they ask us, we would give them a list of things they would have to do. It is a matter of procedures and policies. Ms. Baxter asked who would be the one to determine the proper zoning. Mr. Clarke said the engineer, the zoning officer, and the manager would probably respond.

Ms. Natalie O'Donnell said Elcon wants to build a hazardous toxic waste incinerator in this town and it does not please her at all. Ms. O'Donnell said it doesn't belong anywhere near the river. Ms. O'Donnell wants you to research who this company is. She said they don't even have their correct name on the application. Ms. O'Donnell said this will negatively affect the air quality. There are people with asthma and breathing difficulties and they have trouble breathing as it is now. Ms. O'Donnell asks you to please keep doing your homework.

**ITEM # 2 38 CABOT BLVD, LP – AMENDED FINAL PLAN – PHASE III – 38 CABOT BLVD – TMP # 13-003-008-006**

Mr. Ed Murphy is here to represent the applicant, who make wholesale generic medicines. The applicant's proposed project for Phase III amendment is to construct a 5,790 sq. ft. building addition for locker and break rooms to the previously approved 18,300 +/- sq. ft. building. They are here before the board to discuss Phase III. As of now, Phase I is 80% complete, Phase II has not yet started, and Phase III, if approved, would be constructed with the remainder of Phase I. Mr. Murphy said they have no issues with the approval resolution. Mr. Sullivan is satisfied with the requested waivers. Member Galloway moved to approve Resolution # 17-17 for 38 Cabot Blvd, LP, amended final plan, Phase III, TMP # 13-003-008-006; Member Boraski seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

**ITEM # 3 LOWER BUCKS Y.M.C.A. – REVIEW AND DISCUSS SKETCH PLAN – HOOD BOULEVARD & S. OLDS BOULEVARD**

The applicant has asked the township to move this to the July meeting. Member Dence moved to approve this agenda item for the July 18, 2017 meeting; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0) There was a question from the audience asking if a county representative would be present at the next meeting. Chairman Harvie said he is not sure.

**ITEM # 4 CONSIDER AWARDING TOWNSHIP INSURANCE POLICY FOR THE PERIOD OF JUNE 18, 2017 TO JUNE 18, 2018 (PROPERTY, GENERAL LIABILITY, AND PUBLIC LIABILITY)**

Manager Gray introduced this item. Member Rocco asked about competitive quotes. Ms. Vaughn explained the reasoning for only one quote. They do heavily market the insurance and all of the carriers receive the application. Last year they had a rate guarantee from Travelers so it wasn't going to go up. Ms. Vaughn said to consider moving the package again would not benefit the township unless there was an overriding reason to do so. Travelers have met all their criteria. The 5% increase had to do with our own expenditures, budgeting, and higher property values that were increased. The other two carriers said they would not change their position from last year. Member Rocco said he would have liked to have seen at least another quote and then have Ms. Vaughn's recommendation. Ms. Vaughn said next year they would have more than one quote. Member Galloway moved to accept the quote in the amount of \$301,244 to purchase the insurance policy through Vaughn

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Insurance Managers, from Travelers, for the period of June 18, 2017 to June 18, 2018; Member Dence seconded the motion; all board members were in favor with the exception of Member Rocco who voted no. (4-0-1)

**ITEM # 5 CONSIDER GYM MEMBERSHIPS FROM RETRO FITNESS FOR THE FALLS TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT FOR THE YEAR 2017-2018**

Member Galloway moved to approve the purchase of 38 Retro Gym memberships in the amount of \$3,800; Member Rocco seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

**ITEM # 6 CONSIDER NOTICE OF INTENT TO AWARD BID FOR THE 2017 FALLS TOWNSHIP ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM – WALTON DRIVE LANDSCAPE RESTORATION**

Manager Gray said bids were publicly opened on May 30, 2017 as follows: Bustleton Services, Inc. in the amount of \$23,388.93, and All Seasons Landscaping Co., Inc. in the amount of \$38,831. Member Dence moved to authorize the Township Engineer to issue a notice of intent to award the bid for the 2017 Falls Township Road Improvement Program to Bustleton Services Inc. in the amount of \$23,388.93; Member Boraski seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

**ITEM # 7 CONSIDER REJECTING ALL BIDS AND REAUTHORIZATION FOR ADVERTISEMENT FOR THE VERMILLION HILLS FOOTBRIDGE INSTALLATION PROJECT**

Member Dence moved to reject all bids for the Vermillion Hills Footbridge Installation Project and authorize the township engineers office to re-authorize advertising; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

**ITEM # 8 CONSIDER RESOLUTION FOR SUPPORT OF A CITIZEN’S COMMISSION FOR LEGISLATIVE AND CONGRESSIONAL REDISTRICTING**

Chairman Harvie said this deals with the issue of gerrymandering and redistricting and drawing up districts for local and state and congressional legislative seats. This resolution asks the state government to change the way legislative districts for members of congress and members of the state legislature are drawn up. The hope is that this would be a fair way of drawing boundaries. Member Dence moved to open public comment; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0) Ms. Tony Battiste asked if there were any mention in the resolution of reducing the number of state representatives, being that Pennsylvania has the highest number of state representatives in the nation. Chairman Harvie said it doesn’t specifically ask for that. It asks for the state to consider some of the proposals and move forward with them in terms of amending the constitution in regard to redistricting. Member Dence moved to close public comment; Member Galloway

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seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0) Member Dence moved to approve Resolution # 17-18 for Support of a Citizen’s Commission for Legislative and Congressional Redistricting; Member Rocco seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

### **ITEM # 9 MINUTES – MAY 15, 2017**

Member Rocco moved to approve the minutes from May 15, 2017; Member Boraski seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

### **ITEM # 10 ENGINEERS REPORT**

The Vermillion Hills drainage project is just about ready to start. For the 2017 Road Program, James D. Morrissey has completed the mill and overlay of Mill Creek Parkway and all the streets in the Makefield Road Village area. We are waiting for PECO Gas to do some gas and service re-locations. They sent out a couple of proposal requests for the fishing pier and we hope to receive something back soon. The 2016 Road Program is substantially complete. Member Dence moved to approve the May, 2016 Engineers Report dated June 15, 2017; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

### **ITEM # 11 BILL LIST**

Member Rocco moved to approve the bill list in the amount of \$2,641,614.07; member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

### **ITEM # 12 EXECUTIVE SESSION**

There will be an Executive Session after tonight’s meeting.

### **ITEM # 13 POLICE CHIEF’S REPORT**

Chief Wilcox provided the following information:

- Chief Wilcox said on Thursday, June 22<sup>nd</sup>, there will be a press conference at 11 a.m. to announce the new program, “Push Out the Pushers.” Representative Galloway’s office is instrumental with this program. Member Galloway said you may start to see some signs about this program. If anyone wants a sign, please contact Representative Galloway’s office.
- As a reminder, when you park at your home, close your car windows, lock your car doors, and close your garage doors. Be familiar with your neighbors, especially if you will be away from your home, that you can keep an eye on each other’s’ house.
- Chief Wilcox reminded everyone about the prescription drug drop-off program.

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- Our D.A.R.E. graduations are complete. Chief Wilcox said Officer Yeager is a real asset to this municipality with the youth academy and other activities at the high school. He is on the Drop program.
- K-9's Leo and Zeko have just completed the scent and tracking programs with the New Jersey State Police.
- We had a tribute to K-9 Jesse. At the recommendation of Lt. Ward, there will be a renaming of the dog park to the Falls Township K-9 Park.
- We just received two new patrol units.

### **ITEM # 14 MANAGER COMMENT**

- A. Member Dence moved to approve escrow release # 7 in the amount of \$158,677.20 and escrow release # 8 in the amount of \$4,747.50 to Morrisville Commons, LP; Member Galloway seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)
- B. Member Galloway moved to approve two escrow releases, regarding the McDonald's project at 475 Oxford Valley Road, in the amounts of \$5,881.76 and \$882.35; Member Dence seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)
- C. Two air conditioning units in the police department are no longer working. The township will need to replace these units. Quotes were received as follows: Ray Litwin Heating and Air Conditioning in the amount of \$11,350; B&B Mechanical in the amount of \$12,800; and Harris in the amount of \$13,400. Member Galloway moved to authorize the township manager to spend \$11,350 with Ray Litwin Heating and Air Conditioning to replace the two air conditioning units; Member Dence seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)
- D. Manager Gray announced new township businesses. They are: RTA Cabinet Supply, Accusource/Paul Davis Restoration, Metals USA, and Magnetic Impressions.

### **ITEM # 15 BOARD COMMENT**

Member Rocco congratulated the Pennsbury boys' baseball team on their Pennsylvania State Championship.

Member Dence said at the last meeting he was ill and ended up having pneumonia. He just got over being sick. He received some phone calls from people about this. The only reason he came to the meeting was because of the WAWA agenda item and the only reason he left was because he was sick. For the Que for the Troops event, they ended up with about 60 teams. Everyone did a great job and everything went off without a glitch. Everyone in this building was involved in some way.

Member Boraski – no comment.

Member Galloway also congratulated the baseball team and Member Dence with the Que for the Troops event.

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Chairman Harvie thanked Member Dence who was heavily involved with the Que for the Troops event. Chairman Harvie congratulated Coach Pesci and the Pennsbury boys Baseball team on their state championship win. There was a discussion about having them at this meeting. We will see if Mr. Sanderson can help arrange for them to come to the July or August meeting. Mr. Joe Szafran was here last month and spoke about the Honor Flight program which takes WWII and Korean War Veterans to Washington, D.C. to visit the memorials. They have asked for the township to consider a donation to this cause. Member Rocco moved to approve a \$500 donation to the Honor Flight program; Member Dence seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (5-0)

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 8:30 p.m.



Jeffrey Rocco, Secretary

