Board of Supervisors - March 12, 2024

TOWNSHIP OF FALLS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING

ROLL CALL:

JEFFRY E. DENCE, CHAIRMAN	ABSENT
ERIN M. MULLEN, VICE-CHAIRMAN	PRESENT
BRIAN M. GALLOWAY, SECRETARY	PRESENT (ON-LINE)
JEFFREY M. BORASKI, SUPERVISOR	ABSENT
JOHN W. PALMER, SUPERVISOR	PRESENT

The meeting commenced at 5:40 p.m. with roll call and pledge to the flag. All Board members were present with the exception of Chairman Dence and Member Boraski. Also present were Township Manager/Chief Code Enforcement Officer & Zoning Officer Matthew Takita, Township Solicitor Michael Clarke and Township Solicitor Lauren Gallagher.

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

No one signed in for Public Comment.

ITEM # 2 CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION FOR HIRING POLICE OFFICER BASILIO DEJESUS – ACTION ITEM

Chief Whitney introduced Officer Basilio DeJesus. Member Galloway moved to approve Resolution # 2024-9 for hiring of Police Officer Basilio DeJesus; Member Palmer seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (3-0)

ITEM # 3 CONSIDERATION OF MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN FALLS TOWNSHIP & FAMILY SERVICE ASSOCIATION OF BUCKS COUNTY FOR THE FALLS BRISTOL TOWNSHIP SUPPORTING RECOVERY PROGRAM – ACTION ITEM

Member Galloway moved to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between Falls Township and Family Service Association of Bucks County for the Falls Bristol Township Supporting Recovery Program; Member Palmer seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (3-0)

ITEM # 4 CONSIDERATION OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN ACCU-TAX, INC. AND FALLS TOWNSHIP – ACTION ITEM

Member Galloway moved to approve the agreement between Accu-Tax, Inc. and Falls Township; Member Palmer seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (3-0)

ITEM # 5 CONSIDERATION OF APPOINTMENT OF CAMPBELL DURANT FOR SPECIAL COUNSEL FOR A PERSONNEL MATTER

Member Galloway moved to appoint Campbell Durant for Special Counsel for a personnel matter; Member Palmer seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (3-0)

ITEM # 6 CONSIDERATION OF NOTICE OF INTENT TO APPROVE CONTRACT TO SAGE TECHNOLOGY SOLUTIONS FOR FALLS TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL BUILDING RENOVATIONS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$484,000 – ACTION ITEM

Member Galloway moved to approve the Notice of Intent to Approve Contract to Sage Technology Solutions for Falls Township Municipal Building Renovations in the amount of \$484,000; Member Palmer seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (3-0)

ITEM # 7 CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION FOR THE TCDI GRANT APPLICATION – ACTION ITEM

Member Galloway moved to approve Resolution # 2024-10 for the TCDI Grant Application; Member Palmer seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (3-0)

ITEM #8 CONSIDERATION OF AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE ORDINANCE FOR FEE IN LIEU OF TREE REPLACEMENT

Member Galloway moved to authorize advertisement of Ordinance for Fee In Lieu of Tree Replacement; Member Palmer seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (3-0)

ITEM # 9 CONSIDERATION OF TROUT STOCKING AT THE FALLS TOWNSHIP COMMUNITY PARK LAKE – DISCUSSION ONLY

Mr. Brian Andrews said a few weeks ago the Township was contacted by the Fish and Game Commission to see if we had interest in stocking our community park with trout. This is not a definite on their end; they just wanted to gage our interest. A decision would probably be made pretty soon as opening day is April 6th. Mr. Andrews will keep everyone updated as he receives additional information.

ITEM # 10 CONSIDERATION OF BUS QUOTES FOR THE 2024 FALLS TOWNSHIP SUMMER CAMP – ACTION ITEM

Mr. Andrews said they received three quotes for the Falls Township Summer Camp bus service. David Thomas Transportation has a spotless record for safety and it is recommended we go with their proposal as per the memo from Mr. Andrews. Member Galloway moved to award the 2024 Falls Township Summer Camp bus service to David Thomas Transportation; Member Palmer seconded the motion; all board members were in favor. (3-0)

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ITEM # 11 CONSIDERATION OF APPOINTMENT TO THE HISTORIC ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD – ACTION ITEM

There was no action on this agenda item.

ITEM # 12 CONSIDERATION OF APPOINTMENT TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD TRAFFIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE – ACTION ITEM

There was no action on this agenda item.

ITEM # 13 CONSIDERATION OF APPOINTMENT BY RESOLUTION TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION – ACTION ITEM

There was no action on this agenda item.

ITEM # 14 CONSIDERATION OF APPOINTMENT TO THE POLICE PENSION COMMITTEE – ACTION ITEM

There was no action on this agenda item.

ITEM # 15 OTHER TOWNSHIP BUSINESS AS NEEDED

There was no action on this agenda item.

ITEM # 16 EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Clarke said an Executive Session was held prior to tonight's meeting to discuss two personnel matters, and also met with the Township's Planning Consultant PFM Group for discussion purposes only, to receive information from PFM. No deliberations took place and no decisions were made. There was also a brief discussion, for discussion purposes only, involving the Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission on their proposal for the Levittown Trail. No deliberation or votes were taken during that item.

ITEM # 17 MANAGER COMMENT

There was no action on this agenda item.

ITEM # 18 BOARD COMMENT

Member Galloway – no comment.

Member Palmer – no comment.

Member Mullen congratulated Officer DeJesus on his appointment this evening.

Member Palmer moved to adjourn the meeting; Member Mullen seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

Brian Galloway, Secretary

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