

I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:00 PM (TIME) BY VAUGHN TANTLINGER, CHAIRMAN PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

II. ROLL CALL: PAUL ALTIMUS-PRESENT JAMES BROWN-PRESENT SOLICITOR-PRESENT(JWM) VAUGHN TANTLINGER-PRESENT SECRETARY-PRESENT (EJB) CITIZENS-9

**III. PREVIOUS** MONTHS MEETING 12/14/2017: APPR BY PAUL; 2<sup>ND</sup> BY JAMES; UN-2 YES-1 ABSTAIN (V. TANTLINGER-ABSTAINED WAS NOT AT MEETING / P. ALTIMUS- YES/ J. BROWN-YES) **REORGANIZATION** MEETING 1/2/2018: APPR BY JAMES; 2<sup>ND</sup> BY VAUGHN; UN-3-YES/0-NO)(V. TANTLINGER-YES / P. ALTIMUS-YES/ J. BROWN-YES)

**IV. TRUE BILLS** PAID AND TO BE PAID ON FINANCIAL STATEMENT DATED **DECEMBER 2017:** APPR BY VAUGHN; 2<sup>ND</sup> BY PAUL; UN-3-YES/0 NO (V. TANTLINGER-YES/ P. ALTIMUS-YES/ J. BROWN-YES)

V. CORRESPONDENCE: 1.. ROAD BOND( #SB 0364528) RELEASE FOR PINE RIDGE FOREST FOR PLUTO ROAD IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2400. PAUL SAID HE SEES NO REASON TO NOT RELEASE THIS BOND. MOTION BY JAMES; 2ND BY PAUL; UN-3 YES/0 NO (V. TANTLINGER-YES/P. ALTIMUS-YES/J. BROWN-YES)

VI. PERSONS PLACED ON AGENDA AND PUBLIC COMMENTS ON THE AGENDA. NONE

## VII. OLD BUSINESS: THESE ITEMS WERE TABLED FROM THE REORGANIZATION MEETING

6. SEC ON A MOTION BY VAUGHN, SECONDED BY JAMES, THE COMPENSATION FOR THE SEC-TRES WAS SET AT BENEFITS .17 (1% RAISE) PER HR (16.98 PER HR.) WITH BENEFITS REMAINING THE SAME AS BEFORE—VACATION/SICK DAYS/PERSONAL/ AND WHATEVER ELSE. MOTION WAS CARRIED.(V. TANTLINGER-YES/ JAMES BROWN-YES/ P. ALTIMUS VOTED NOT ON THE WAGES BUT APPROVED ALL THE OTHER BENEFITS.

- 13. EMP ON A MOTION BY PAUL, SECONDED BY VAUGHN, ERNEST F. HENDERSON WAS APPOINTED EMPLOYEE FOR THE TOWNSHIP. COMPENSATION CURRENTLY IS \$12.50 PER HOUR. PAUL SAID TO CLARIFY THE SITUATION, THE SUPERVISORS HELD AN EXECUTIVE SESSION PRIOR TO THIS MEETING TO DETERMINE ALL THESE FINDINGS. PAUL MADE A MOTION THAT ERNIE HENDERSON WAGES GO TO \$13.00 PER HOUR. 2ND BY VAUGHN. UN-3 YES/0 NO) NO (V. TANTLINGER-YES/P. ALTIMUS-YES/J. BROWN-YES) BENEFITS: PAUL ANNOUNCED THAT IN CONSIDERATION FOR THE OTHER BENEFITS, THEY CONSIDERED THAT ERN HENDERSON PREVIOUSLY EMPLOYED BY FAIRFIELD TWP, WHICH TOTALS 32 MONTHS. MOTION BY PAUL FOR ERN HENDERSON TO GET ALL THE PAID HOLIDAYS, 3 PERSONAL DAYS, 5 SICK DAYS, 10 DAYS VACATION, ENROLL HIM IN THE TWP PENSION PLAN;2<sup>ND</sup> BY JAMES MOTION CARRIED--3 YES/0 NO. (V. TANTLINGER-YES/P. ALTIMUS-YES/J. BROWN-YES)
- 8. SOLICITOR JEFFREY MILLER WAS APPOINTED TWP. SOLICITOR FOR 2018 AT THE REORGANIZATION MEETING. SOLICITOR RETAINING FEE FOR ROUTINE WORK IS SET AT \$95.00 PER HOUR FOR THE ENSUING YEAR WHICH IS THE SAME AS LAST YEAR. MOTION CARRIED--3 YES/0 NO.(V. TANTLINGER-YES/P. ALTIMUS-YES/ J. BROWN-YES)
- 19. SEWAGE AUTH COMMUNITY SEWER AUTHORITY FOR THE TERM OF 1 YEAR TO FILL A VACANCY AFTER THE TWP. CLARIFIED THAT MR. DOHRMAN LIVED OR OWNED PROPERTY IN FAIRFIELD TWP. UNAN-3 YES/0 NO-(V. TANTLINGER-YES/P. ALTIMUS-YES/J. BROWN-YES)

VAUGHN ALSO RECOGNIZED THAT ERN HENDERSON ALSO PARTICIPATES IN THE HEALTH INSURANCES. PAUL SAID THAT WAS RECOGNIZED WHEN HE WAS HIRED. VAUGHN ANNOUNCED THAT THE SEWAGE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER SAID THE FEE SCHEDULE WILL BE THE SAME AS 2017 AND ANYONE INTERESTED IN BEING ORDINANCE OFFICER, PLEASE CONTACT SUPERVISORS.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS: 1. TWP NEEDS AN AUDITOR UNTIL THE NEXT ELECTION IN 2 YRS. WE RECEIVED 1 APPLICANT SO FAR. AS OF RIGHT NOW TWP ONLY HAS 2. VAUGHN MADE A MOTION TO APPOINT AMY NESMITH AS TWP AUDITOR FOR THE 2 YRS UNTIL THE NEXT MUNICIPAL ELECTION; 2<sup>ND</sup> BY JAMES; UN-3 YES/0 NO (V. TANTLINGER-YES/P. ALTIMUS-YES/J. BROWN-YES) SOLICITOR STATED SHE WOULD HAVE TO GET HER OATH OF OFFICE, STATE ETHICS FORM, TWP NEEDS TO NOTIFY ELECTION OFFICE. 2. VAUGHN EXPLAINED **MUNICIPAL ROUNDTABLE** AT WEST'D. CONSERVATION DIST. ON JAN 26, 2018 FROM 11:30 AM TO 3:30 PM AT A COST OF \$10 PER PERSON WITH LIGHT LUNCH INCLUDED. THEY TALK ABOUT MS4 PROJECTS, DIRT & GRAVEL PROGRAM, AND HE FEELS IT WOULD BE BENEFICIAL TO ATTEND, AND HIS CALCULATIONS IS THAT THE TWP HAS RECEIVED ABOUT HALF MILLION DOLLARS IN GRANTS FROM THEM. THAT DEPENDING ON THE WEATHER ANDY SUPERVISOR INTERESTED IN GOING CAN ATTEND FOR THE COST OF \$10 PER PERSON, SECRETARY ASKED IF TWP CAN FIND OUT IF REFUNDABLE IF THEY CAN'T ATTEND, VAUGHN SAID YES. VAUGHN ASKED JEFF IF IT WOULD BE PAYABLE. JEFF SAID HE AT SOMETIME IN THE PAST HE HAD SENT A LETTER TO THEM ON IT, AND HE WOULD LIKE TO TAKE A LOOK AT IT PRIOR TO ANSWERING. VAUGHN SAID IT WOULD BE 3 ½ HRS OF WAGES. SOLICITOR STATED HE KNOWS VAUGHN IS ASKING IF IT IS PAYABLE UNDER ROADMASTER DUTY OR DOES IT FALL UNDER DUTIES AS SUPERVISOR. VAUGHN FEELS IT DEALS WITH THE ROADS. MOTION BY JAMES TO APPROVE GOING; 2<sup>ND</sup> BY VAUGHN; UN-3 YES/0 NO.(V. TANTLINGER-YES/P. ALTIMUS-YES/J. BROWN-YES)

**IX. PUBLIC COMMENT: 1. LAURA HENDERSON 2. ERN HENDERSON 3. ZACHARY HENDERSON 4. DONNA HORNER 5. DAN BRENDLINGER 6. MARISA HENDERSON 7. PAULA BROWN 8. CECELIA SISITKI**—THEY HAD MEETING LAST MONTH AND THEY VOTED TO INCREASE THE RATES FROM \$30 TO \$35 PER MONTH AS OF MARCH 1<sup>ST</sup>. AND IF PROPERTY IS EMPTY AND WATER IS ON IT WAS \$20 AND IF WATER WAS SHUT OFF IT WAS \$15 – NOW THOSE WILL ALSO BE \$35. EMMA ASKED HOW MANY BOARD MEMBERS DON'T PAY SEWAGE—CECILIA SAID 1 DOESN'T. EMMA STATED SEEMS HIGH IF A PROPERTY HAS NO WATER COMING IN. AND RESIDENTS PAY A HIGH BILL FOR MANY YEARS; AND THEN IT WAS BROUGHT DOWN AS PROMISED IN THE BEGINNING . CECELIA SAID THEY HAD A RATE STUDY DONE. EMMA SAID TO ALSO HAVE \$35 IF NO WATER IS COMING INTO THE HOUSE? CECELIA SAID THAT IS WHAT THE BOARD VOTED ON. VAUGHN ASKED FOR OTHER COMMENTS—EMMA STATED SHE HAD SOME—BACK TO MY WAGE INCREASE BEING 1% WHEN THE BOARD ASKED FOR 2% AND LAST YEAR VAUGHN STATED PENSION WAS BASED ON 2%, THE BOARD GAVE ME 1% RAISE 2017 BECAUSE THE PREVIOUS YR 2016 I GOT 1%. I GAVE THE BOARD A PAPER AT REORGANIZATION MEETING BY NOT TAKING THE HEALTH

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INSURANCE OF THE MONEY I SAVE THE TOWNSHIP SINCE 2008 AND THAT SAVINGS WAS AROUND \$147,000. AND WHEN CHECKING WITH THE TWP CODE BOOK, INSURANCES THAT ARE GIVEN TO EMPLOYEES ARE ALSO CONSIDERED AS PART OF THEIR COMPENSATION; AND THE CURRENT INSURANCE FOR EACH INDIVIDUAL THAT PARTICIPATES WENT UP OVER 8% PER PERSON. AND THAT IS CONSIDERED PART OF THE PAY OF THE PEOPLE THAT RECEIVE WAGES, SO THAT IS ALREADY AND 8% INCREASE IN THE BENEFITS. ANDI AM UPSET THAT I ONLY GOT 1% AND 2 YRS AGO I DIDN'T GET A RAISE. AND ACCORDING TO MY CALCULATIONS SEC/TRES IS STILL THE LOWEST PERSON ON PAYROLL. EVEN WHEN WE HAD A TEMPORARY GUY AND HE GOT THE HEALTH INSURANCE AND I HAVE BEEN HERE FOR 33 YRS. VAUGHN SAID THAT IT IS SEC/TRES CHOOSE TO TAKE HUSBANDS HEALTH CARE AND DURING THAT TIME THE BOARD GAVE YOU \$3.00 HR RAISE TO COMPENSATE THAT, BUT AT THAT SOME POINT INSURANCE HAD NOTHING ELSE TO DO WITH HER PAY. EMMA STATED THAT SHE DOES IT TO SAVE THE TAX PAYERS MONEY AND SHE WOULD FEEL THE TAX PAYERS WOULD APPRECIATE IT. PAUL SAID THEY ALL GO OUT THEIR WAY TO SAVE TWP MONEY. VAUGHN ASKED EMMA IF SHE WAS ASKING THE TWP TO GIVE HER \$29 PER HOUR? EMMA SAID SHE NEVER ASKED FOR THAT, SHE IS ONLY ASKING FOR 2%, AND SHE HAS NEVER ASKED FOR TOO MUCH MONEY. IN THE PAST THEY USED TO GET .50 OR .05 FOR EVERYONE, AND WHEN YOU SAID LAST YEAR ABOUT PENSION 2%, THEN EVERYONE WOULD GET AN EQUAL AMOUNT OF RAISE ACCORDING TO THEIR WAGES. VAUGHN SAID THEY DID NOT GET A 2% RAISE LAST YEAR AND DON'T KNOW IF THEY WILL GET A RAISE THIS YEAR. EMMA STATED THAT SHE HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH THE AUDITORS APPROVAL JUST LIKE YOU TOLD ME BEFORE, YOU MAKE A RECOMMENDATION TO THE AUDITORS AND IT IS UP TO THEM. VAUGHN ASKED IF ANY OF THE BOARD HAD ANY OTHER COMMENTS TO ADDRESS THIS, JAMES AND PAUL SAID NO.

**X. ADJOURNMENT**: MOTION BY PAUL; 2<sup>ND</sup> BY VAUGHN; UN-3 YES/0 NO .(V. TANTLINGER-YES/P. ALTIMUS-YES/J. BROWN-YES) TIME 7:25 PM

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