



FAIRFIELD TOWNSHIP REGULAR MEETING HELD ON NOVEMBER 8, 2018



I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT: 7:00 PM (TIME) BY: Vaughn

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

II. ROLL CALL: PAUL ALTIMUS-PRESENT JAMES BROWN-PRESENT SOLICITOR-PRESENT(Jeff Miller)
VAUGHN TANTLINGER-PRESENT SECRETARY-PRESENT(Carrie Moore) \
CITIZENS- 4 (Emma Brendlinger, Paula Brown, Alex Ashcroft, Cecil Sisiki)

III. PREVIOUS MONTHS MEETING 10/11/2018: APPR BY Vaughn 2ND BY Paul

UN - Yes (3YES/0 NO) (V. TANTLINGER-Yes / P. ALTIMUS-Yes / J. BROWN-Yes)

BUDGET WORKSHOP MEETING 11/1/2018 AT 3 PM: APPR BY Paul 2ND Vaughn

UN - Yes (3YES/0 NO) (V. TANTLINGER-Yes / P. ALTIMUS-Yes / J. BROWN-Yes)

IV. TRUE BILLS PAID AND TO BE PAID ON FINANCIAL STATEMENT DATED OCTOBER 2018:

APPR BY Jim 2ND BY Paul UN - Yes (3YES/0 NO) (V. TANTLINGER-Yes / P. ALTIMUS-Yes / J. BROWN-Yes)

V. CORRESPONDENCE: 1. XPR Resources (Skacel Well) – Gas Well In Derry

2. Conrad Logging (Bond Cancellation) Road Bond for Patterson Road Cancellation Motion made by Vaughn to release the road bond 2nd By Paul

VI. PERSONS PLACED ON AGENDA: Emma Brendlinger – Wanted to make a remark on October Minutes #5 Hiring of a CPA said she talked to Donna and she seemed surprised about the hiring of a CPA due to late filings and Donna was hearing things about the late filing. Emma wanted to go on record that Donna though it was filed but in turn when Emma got to looking at it it was not. Donna had to get her own account to get on the site because Regina never gave her the login information and that was the reason it was not filed on time. Also, wanted to state Paula Kelly is an elected auditor but has only showed up one time. Also, had questions on the tax increase. Wanted to know about the Grant money the township received. Vaughn stated that we got four roads approved for 2018 for \$128,684. Emma asked we got all that money this year. Vaughn stated we got ½ and the rest will come in as we complete the projects. Emma asked if the Road Grant money for 2019 is what we have coming in for next year? Vaughn stated that is for new projects for Berkeys Road for \$37,326 and Church Camp Road for \$53,488. Emma asked if that was a new grant request you did after I left? Vaughn stated they are new ones that he delivered on October 28 and it is not guaranteed that we would receive that money. Emma asked how come there is \$57,000 left in the road fund. Vaughn stated some of that will go out in the bills presented tonight and the rest of the money will be going out this year. Once all bills are paid we will have approximately \$6,000 to \$7,000 left in the road fund account. Her issue is with raising of the taxes why are we raising taxes when we are carrying over 227,449.83. She also asked what the truck payment will be on the new truck. Paul stated the truck payment would be around \$25,000 per year for eight years. She also stated most the road work is done through Dirt & Gravel. Paul stated \$9500 Pavement and \$8500 seal coat was done this year. Still when we spent that kind of money out of the state and general fund and still have \$227,449.83 is a lot of money to carry over and still increase taxes another mil. Also, we are going to get money from Antochian and gets left off the hook for 1,000 of acres. Jeff Miller went on to say 80 acres that are exempt and to say that we are going to get \$7,000 in taxes when we know that there are cemeteries, cabins, church, and parking lot that serves church so, getting \$3,500 is pretty reasonable. Jeff stated that if everything was taxable we would be getting \$7,013. So, getting \$3,500 is fair assessment when we could get less if pursued it more. Emma also stated she knows it only 1 mil but it is 1 mil this year and then another mil in two more years. This is a very depressed area and a lot of people are retired and a lot of people retire from Pittsburgh here so we don't get their local tax. Vaughn stated Emma has stated as you seen the budget and we have done at 4.1 and 5.1 mils. We would receive approximately 24,000 more money from the 1 mil increase. Vaughn stated we understand that Emma is against the tax increase. Emma also stated get more notice about tax increases to the public. Also, asked with the CPA do you have to get twenty-five voters and also the CPA cannot make more than the auditors according to section A of the township code. Jeff stated to look at section B that is where the regulations come in for the CPA.

VII. OLD BUSINESS: 1. PROPOSED 2019 BUDGET TO SUPERVISORS.

RESOLUTION # 2-2018 TAX LEVY RESOLUTION 5.1 Mills
Current tax millage 4.1 mills

PROPOSED BALANCED BUDGET

4.1 Mills			
<u>GENERAL FUND</u>	<u>ROAD FUND</u>		
AVAILABLE \$431,086	AVAILABLE	\$149,394	
EXPENSES \$431,086	EXPENSES	\$149,394	
<u>STATE FUND</u>		<u>ACT 13 FUND</u>	
AVAILABLE \$323,774	AVAILABLE	\$84,282	
EXPENSES \$323,774	EXPENSES	\$84,282	
TOTAL BALANCED BUDGET 988,536 (ALL FUNDS)			

5.1 Mills			
<u>GENERAL FUND</u>	<u>ROAD FUND</u>		
AVAILABLE \$455,086	AVAILABLE	\$149,394	
EXPENSES \$455,086	EXPENSES	\$149,394	
<u>STATE FUND</u>		<u>ACT 13 FUND</u>	
AVAILABLE \$323,774	AVAILABLE	\$84,282	
EXPENSES \$323,774	EXPENSES	\$84,282	
TOTAL BALANCED BUDGET 1,012,536 (ALL FUNDS)			

ANNUAL BUDGET REPORT FOR 2019 IS RESOLUTION #3 OF 2018 (PUBLIC COMMENTS)

MOTION BY Paul , TO TENTATIVELY ADOPT TAX LEVY RESOLUTION # 2-2018 Recognizing 2019 TAX MILLAGE RATE AT 5.1 MILLS AND PROPOSED 2019 BUDGET RESOLUTION 3-2018 AS PRESENTED; WITH FINAL ADOPTION SCHEDULED FOR THE REGULAR MEETING ON DEC 13, 2018 AT 7 PM AT THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING; 2ND BY Vaughn, UN No (2YES/1 NO) (V. TANTLINGER-Yes / P. ALTIMUS-Yes / J. BROWN-No)

Antochian Village Pilot Agreement – Jeff Miller has been working with the attorney from Antochian Village working out the issues with the Pilot Agreement. We started this process back in 2017. The County and School district are working on agreements from 2019 forward and all parties with an exemption of Fairfield want to see the agreement start and end at the same time. So, Antochian has proposed to pay in lump sum of for 2017 & 2018 and then start the agreement will go forward 7 years starting in 2019. There is one exemption there is one property that they already paid taxes on for 2017 & 2018 and Antochian wants that amount subtracted of the the lump sum payment. The amount is \$86.06. We also check with the tax collector to verify the amount. Fairfield will be locked in from 2019-2025 with a lump sum payment of \$7,000 minus taxes paid for years 2017 & 2019. Any new properties purchased going forward will not be included in this agreement.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS: None

IX. PUBLIC COMMENT: None

X. ADJOURNMENT: MOTION BY Vaughn 2ND BY Paul UN-Yes (3YES/0 NO)(V. TANTLINGER-Yes / P. ALTIMUS-Yes / J. BROWN-Yes) TIME (7:32 PM)

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