



FAIRFIELD TOWNSHIP REGULAR MEETING HELD ON JUNE 8, 2017(3 PM)



I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT: 3 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-6

III. PREVIOUS MONTHS MEETING 5/11/17 AT 3 PM: APPR BY PAUL; 2ND 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 MAY 2017. APPR BY VAUGHN; 2ND BY PAUL; UN-3 YES/0 NO; (V. TANTLINGER-YES / P. ALTIMUS- YES/ J. BROWN-YES)

V. CORRESPONDENCE: 1. MERLE BAIRD SUBDIVISION—PAUL ANNOUNCED THAT IT CREATES 2 NEW LOTS OFF THE PARENT TRACT. THE TWP SEO APPROVED AND COMPLETED A FORM B, AND THE COUNTY APPROVED; MOTION BY PAUL TO APPROVE BECAUSE THE SEO AND COUNTY APPROVED;
2ND BY JAMES; UN-3 YES/0 NO; (V. TANTLINGER-YES / P. ALTIMUS- YES/ J. BROWN-YES)

VI. PERSONS PLACED ON AGENDA: 1. BILL SMITH—SAID HE WAS HERE FOR 30 YRS. AND NOT ONE OF THEM CAME TO HIM AND ASKED FOR HIS VOTE. THEY LIVE IN KOHUT LIGONIER EAST PLAN A. KOHUT PUT THE ROAD IN. FIRST ROAD WAS SET UP BY KOHUT WITH ASPHALT AND NO BINDER. THEY PUT A NEW ROAD IN IN 2005 MAKING IT A ONE WAY. THEY PAY DUES TO THE ASSOCIATION FOR SUCH ITEMS AS PLOWING, ETC AND THEY HAVE HAD NO SERVICES FROM THE TOWNSHIP. THEY WANT TO TALK ABOUT DEDICATING THIS ROAD TO THE TOWNSHIP, HE THOUGHT IT WOULD HAVE BEEN TURNED OVER TO THE PROPERTY OWNERS. THEY FEEL IT WAS ESTABLISHED AT LEAST 30 YEARS AGO. PAUL ASKED HOW MANY RESIDENTS, THEY SAID 12 HOUSES AND ONE LOT. PAUL SAID IT IS .4 OF A MILE, THEY WERE OUT WITH PENDOT. BILL SAID SOMEONE TALKED TO THE TOWNSHIP BEFORE ABOUT TAKING OVER THE ROAD, BUT THERE WERE SPECS THAT HAD TO BE MET. PAUL SAID ACCORDING TO PENDOT REP, HIS ADVICE WAS TO BE 16 FT WIDE AND IT IS NOT THAT WIDE, AND THE TWP HAS THE RIGHT TO HAVE DRAINAGE FIXED, AND IT WOULD STILL BE UP TO THE SUPERVISORS WHETHER TO MAKE IT PUBLIC OR NOT IF THE ASSOCIATION CORRECTS THE WIDTH AND DRAINAGE. TWP DOES NOT WANT TO INHERIT MORE JUNK AS FAR AS DRAINAGE GOES. VAUGHN SAID ACCORDING TO HIM IN ORDER FOR TWP TO BE REIMBURSED WITH LIQUID FUELS, THE ROAD HAS TO BE 16 FT WIDE. VAUGHN SAID THE CANTERBURY ROAD TAKEN OVER WAS DONE PRIOR TO HIS BEING A SUPERVISOR. PAUL SAID THE TWP WOULD INHERIT A 33 FT RIGHT OF WAY, 16.5 FT FROM THE CENTER OF THE ROAD EACH WAY, IF THEY GO WITH THE ORDINANCE. SOLICITOR SAID IF THEY GO WITH WHAT KOHUT RESERVED, HE UNDERSTANDS THE ASSOCIATION OWNS THE ROAD, YOU WOULD ONLY GET THAT, UNLESS THE PROPERTY OWNERS GAVE YOU A WIDER RIGHT OF WAY, YOU CAN'T GET ANY MORE THAN WHAT THE ASSOCIATION OWNS. IF THE ROAD NOW IS ONLY 14 FEET, THE ASSOCIATION DOES NOT HAVE THE RIGHT TO GIVE YOU MORE, OR WHATEVER KOHUT RESERVED. VAUGHN SAID CANTERBURY IS A 50 FT RIGHT OF WAY. BILL SAID HE WOULD NOT SEE A PROBLEM WITH A PROPERTY OWNER DONATING WHAT THE TWP WOULD NEED. BILL SAID WHEN KOHUT DONATED THE ROAD TO THEM, IT WAS A 16 FT ROAD. SOLICITOR SAID THE PROBLEM FOR THE TWP IS NOT WHETHER IT IS ONE WAY OR TWO WAYS, IF THEY WOULD TAKE IT AS A PUBLIC ROAD THEY WOULD RECEIVE LIQUID FUELS FUNDS. IF THAT ROAD IS NOT 16 FT WIDE, PENDOT WILL NOT GIVE THE TWP MONEY FOR IT, SO IN ESSENCE WHAT THE TWP WOULD BE TRANSFERRING THEIR EXPENSE TO THE TWP AND THE TWP WOULD NOT BE REIMBURSED. SOLICITOR FEELS IT IS NOT A LIKELY SCENARIO FOR THE TWP TO TAKE ON A ROAD IN WHICH THEY CAN NOT GET LIQUID FUELS MONEY. BILL SAID IF THEY BROUGHT IT UP TO 16 FT. SOLICITOR SAID IT WOULD STILL BE UP TO SUPERVISORS. PAUL ASKED WHAT IS THE COST FOR MAINTENANCE ON THE ROAD NOW. ONE OF THE GENTLEMEN SAID ONLY SNOW REMOVAL. EITHER JIM HARVEY OR JOHN ONEUFER SAID THEY HAVE PAID THE TWP TAXES FOR 30 YRS, THEY FIGURED THEY PAID THE TWP APPROX. \$180,000 IN TAXES AND THEY GET SQUAT. PAUL ASKED HOW THEY COME UP WITH THAT NUMBER. THEY SAID THEY FIGURED THAT EACH ONE ROUGHLY PAYS \$500 TO THE TWP. BILL SAID EVEN IF THE TWP PLOWED IT ONCE IN AWHILE, THEY PAY ONE GUY \$1500 FOR THE YEAR, AND HE SOMETIMES ONLY HAS TO PLOW 6 TIMES. THEY SAID ASSISTANCE IN PLOWING WOULD BE APPRECIATED. VAUGHN SAID THAT WAS THE ADVICE FROM THE PENDOT REP AND THEY WILL KEEP LOOKING INTO IT. PAUL SUGGESTED FOR THEM TO LOOK INTO THE COST OF MAKING IT 16" WIDE PAVED. THEY SAID IT COST THEM \$27,000 TO HAVE THE ROAD DONE THE WAY IT IS SET NOW. BILL SAID IF THE TWP IS SERIOUS, THEY COULD GET THE ROAD FIXED, AND HE SUGGESTED THE TWP DO IT THEMSELVES TO MAKE SURE IT IS DONE RIGHT. VAUGHN SAID TWP HAS 60 MILES OF ROAD NOW. SOLICITOR ASKED FOR A FILED PLAN FOR LIGONIER EAST. SOLICITOR SAID IT PROBABLY HAS AN IMAGE. ERICK COLT ASKED IF TWP CAN TAKE ON A ROAD WITHOUT A 33 FT RIGHT OF WAY. SOLICITOR SAID AS LONG AS TWP HAS SUFFICIENT GROUND TO GET THE REIMBURSEMENT. SECRETARY ASKED THEM IF THEY ALSO REALIZE IT WOULD BECOME A PUBLIC ROAD AND YOU CAN'T CONTROL TRAFFIC. BEFORE SOME PEOPLE FROM CANTERBURY CALLED AND WANTED SPEED BUMPS BECAUSE THEY DIDN'T WANT SO MUCH TRAFFIC. THEY INDICATED THEY KNEW THAT. THEY WILL CALL A MEETING. PAUL SAID RUN THE IDEA PAST THEM, DO NOT GO INTO IT WITH THE ASSUMPTION THAT THE BOARD IS GOING TO TAKE THE ROAD. DO NOT START LAYING ASPHALT. PAUL TOLD THEM TO GO HOME AND PULL OUT THEIR SPRING TAXES, IT HAS 2 PAYABLES ONE FOR THE COUNTY AND FOR THE TWP, AND THE FALL TAXES DO NOT COME HERE.

VII. OLD BUSINESS: 1. SLEEK TRKING TYING ERROR IN MINUTES ON APRIL. #26 DSA WAS TYPED \$19.50, CORRECTION \$24.07 TOTALING \$36,105.00 . MOTION BY VAUGHN TO MAKE THE CORRECTION IN THE APRIL MINUTES WITH THE CORRECT BID AMOUNT. 2ND BY PAUL; UNAN- 3 YES/ 0 NO((V. TANTLINGER-YES / P. ALTIMUS- YES/ J. BROWN-YES)

2. OPEN BIDS FOR TURKEY INN—ADVERTISED IN LATROBE BULLETIN

BIDS RECEIVED on 6/8/2017		FOR: TURKEY INN PROJECT	
	Bidder	TOTAL PRICE	10% BID BOND
1	LONE PINE CONST. BENTLEYVILLE, PA 15314	\$124,329.50	YES
2	STRAW CONST. BOSWELL, PA 15531	\$86,485.00	YES
3	CURRY & KEPPLER INC NEW ALEXANDRIA, PA 15670	\$157,955.10	YES
4	RAMSEY EXCAVATING LIGONIER, PA 15658	\$73,976.00	YES
5	WESTD CONSERVATION GROUP ARDARA, PA 15615	\$105,973.00	YES
6	LIGONIER CONSTRUCTION LAUGHLINTOWN, PA 15655	\$88,000.00	YES
7	SNYDER EXCAVATING JOHNSTOWN, PA 15909	\$54,780.00	YES
8	CRILON CORP SOMERSET, PA 15501	\$162,088.98	YES
9	GARY METZINGER CEMENT PITTSBURGH, PA 15215-1015	\$165,510.00	YES

VAUGHN SAID SNYDERS WORKED HERE BEFORE. ERIC COLT ASKED IF THEY ALL HAD THE SAME SPECS. IT IS BAFFLING ON THE DIFFERENCES. VAUGHN SAID THE BOX MAY BE THE COST. SECRETARY SAID THE SUPERVISORS WILL BE ABLE TO TELL WHERE THE DIFFERENCES ARE BECAUSE THERE IS A BREAKDOWN FOR THEM ALL. PAUL SAID THERE WERE 5 BID ITEMS TO GET THE TOTAL VAUGHN SAID IT IS PREVAILING WAGE
MOTION BY: VAUGHN
TO ACCEPT BID FROM SNYDER EXCAVATING BEING THE LOWEST BID, CONTINGENT UPON ENGINEER REVIEW.
2ND BY PAUL, UNAN-YES (3-YES/0 NO)
(V. TANTLINGER-YES/P. ALTIMUS-YES/ J. BROWN-YES)

3. OPEN BIDS FOR PATCH PAVING— ADVERTISED IN LATROBE BULLETIN

BIDS RECEIVED FOR PATCH PAVING JUNE 8, 2017

TWP ADVERTISED LATROBE BULLETIN

PROJECT TO BE COMPLETED BY 8/18/17

	BID FROM	TOTAL	10 % BID BOND
1	RAMSEY EXCAVATING LIGONIER, PA 15658	25,380.00	YES
2	LAUREL ASPHALT WINDBER, PA 15963	23,700.00	YES
3	FORCE INC INDIANA, PA 15701	16,713.94	YES

1. PATCH PAVING-SCOPE OF WORK TO INCLUDE PREPARATION WORK, TACK COAT, TRUCKING, AND PLACEMENT. PAVING MATERIAL WILL BE PURCHASED ON TOWNSHIP CONTRACT ACCOUNT.

2. MILLNG AS DIRECTED BY THE MUNICIPALITY

MOTION BY JAMES TO ACCEPT BID FROM FORCE, INC BEING THE LOWEST BID CONTINGENT UPON PENDOT REVIEW. 2ND BY VAUGHN; UNAN-YES (3-YES/0 NO)

(V.TANTLINGER-YES/P.ALTIMUS-YES/J.BROWN-YES)

VAUGHN ASKED FOR ANY MORE OLD BUSINESS.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS: SUPERVISORS HAD NONE. SECRETARY REQUESTED AN EXECUTIVE MEETING FOR PERSONNEL. PAUL ASKED SOLICITOR IF IT WAS ALLOWED. VAUGHN ASKED IF SECRETARY CALLED IT. SOLICITOR SAID THE CHAIRMAN CALLS IT OR DOESN'T CALL IT; BUT SHE IS REQUESTING ONE AND SUPERVISORS ARE PERMITTED TO DO IT. VAUGHN ANNOUNCED THEY WILL CALL AN EXECUTIVE DECISION AS REQUESTED. 3 SUPERVISORS, SECRETARY, AND SOLICITOR LEFT THE ROOM. UPON COMING BACK TO THE REGULAR MEETING. SOLICITOR STATED THAT THE EXECUTIVE SESSION WAS HELD TO DISCUSS PERSONNEL MATTER AND NO DECISION WAS MADE. SOLICITOR STATED HE HAS BEEN DIRECTED TO INVESTIGATE CERTAIN POLICIES AND HE WILL DO THAT AND PROVIDE THE BOARD WITH A WRITTEN OPINION ON THE MATTER. THERE WAS NO OTHER NEW BUSINESS.

IX. PUBLIC COMMENT: 1. ERIC COLT—ASKED IF THEY DID GO UP AND LOOK AT HIS ROAD. VAUGHN SAID YES, WITH SOLICITOR AND PENDOT. COLT ASKED FOR ANY THOUGHTS. VAUGHN STATED IT IS GOING TO GET PAVED. BERTHA MARTIN ASKED IF IT WAS STATE FUNDED. PAUL SAID THERE IS NO FEDERAL MONEY. VAUGHN SAID JUST LIQUID FUELS, TWP MAY ALSO USE GENERAL AND ACT 13. BERTHA ASKED WHAT WAS ACT 13? PAUL SAID GAS WELL REIMBURSEMENT. **2. BERTHA MARTIN**—SAID THAT THE RITENOURS AND AMISH LOGGED BACK THERE AND SHE WAS ON THE UNDERSTANDING THE ROAD WAS BONDED, THEREFORE, IN THE SPRING OF THE YEAR IT GOT ABOUT 6 INCHES OF MUD. EVERY TIME IT RAINS, YOU GET ABOUT AN INCH OF SMEARING; AND THE TWP HAS NOT PUT ANY STONE BACK THERE FOR A FEW YEARS. BUT NEVER THE LESS, IF IT IS BONDED, THEN RITENOURS SHOULD HAVE PUT STONE ON IT IN THE SPRING WHEN THEY WERE USING THE ROAD. SHE WANTED TO KNOW WHEN IS THAT SECTION IS GOING TO BE COMPLETED. PAUL SAID THE ROAD WAS NOT BONDED. BERTHA SAID HE TOLD HER IT WAS BONDED. PAUL SAID HE TOLD HER HYPOCRITE WAS BONDED. BERTHA SAID SHE WAS TALKING TO HIM ABOUT BRIDGE ROAD AND WHERE RITENOURS WAS LOGGING FOR PROFIT AND USING THAT SECTION OF THE ROAD. SHE USES THAT PART OF THE ROAD WHEN SHE USES HER BRUSHHOG AND SHE NEEDS TO BE TAKEN INTO CONSIDERATION AND SOME MAINTENANCE ON THAT ROAD. PAUL SAID BRIDGES ROAD WAS NOT BONDED, BECAUSE THEY DID NOT EXCEED THE 10 TON WEIGHT LIMIT. BERTHA SAID THEY LOOKED BIG GOING OUT OF THERE. SHE WAS TOLD THAT 1 BANDED WEIGHTED 5000 # EACH AS TO WHAT THEY TOLD HER, THEY WERE HAULING 4 TO 5 BLOCKS ON THOSE TRAILERS. THEREFORE THEY WERE HAULING MORE THAN 10,000# MANY DAYS. PAUL SAID HE HAS NO WAY OF KNOWING THE WEIGHT. BERTHA SAID SINCE YOU ARE THE TWP. AND YOU SHOULD BE CHECKING INT THOSE ASPECTS. PAUL ASKED HER WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE BACK THERE. SHE FEELS IT NEEDS GRAVEL. PAUL ASKED IS IT IN ANY WORSE CONDITION THAN WHEN THEY STARTED? BERTHA SAID YES. PAUL ASKED OTHER 2 SUPERVISORS IF THEY WERE BACK THERE, BOTH SAID NO. PAUL ASKED HER IF SHE WAS TALKING FROM DIANE BRIDGES TO WHERE. BERTHA SAID DOWN TO THE TURNAROUND. BERTHA SAID THE TWP USES THAT TURNAROUND WHEN THEY PLOW SNOW, AND THEN THE LOGGERS USED TO PULL THEIR TRAILERS IN TO BACK IN AROUND. SHE IS ASSUMING THAT THE TURNAROUND BECOMES THE TWP PROPERTY TO MAINTAIN. BERTHA SAID PAUL ASKED HER TO FURNISH THAT TURNAROUND FOR THEM TO GO BACK WHEN PLOWING SNOW, YOU (PAUL) DON'T TURN AROUND IN THE BRIDGES ROAD, YOU (PAUL) GO ALL THE WAY TO THE END. PAUL SAID OCCASIONALLY HE TURNS AT JIM AND DIANE'S. VAUGHN ASKED IF SHE WAS ONLY ASKING FOR STONE ON THE ROAD. BERTHA SAID YES. PAUL SAID IT CAN NOT BE PUT ON THE WAY IT IS. PAUL SAID HE WILL TALK TO SOMEONE. PAUL SAID THAT LAST YEAR SHE SAID THEY WERE ONLY ALLOWED TO SPEND \$1250 ON THAT ROAD. BERTHA SAID SHE SAID YOU WERE LUCKY IF YOU SPENT THAT AMOUNT ON THAT ROAD LAST YEAR. BERTHA'S SECOND QUESTION SHE WAS WONDERING ABOUT THE DITCHES ALONG BRIDGES ROAD. VAUGHN SAID THEY NEED MAINTAINED. BERTHA SAID ESPECIALLY FROM HER PROPERTY LINE TO RECLAIMED ASPHALT, SHE SAID THERE IS DIFFERENT MATERIAL USED ON THE ROADS. PAUL SAID ONE FOLLOW-UP QUESTION, THERE WAS A TIMBERING COMPANY ON LICHTENFELTS PROPERTY, AND SNEAKED 3 LOADS OUT—HOW COME MR. LICHTENFELTS ANY STONE. BERTHA SAID THEY DIDN'T PULL MR. LICHTENFELTS LOGS THRU HER PLACE, THEY WERE HER LOGS. PAUL ASKED WHY SHE DIDN'T GIVE US ANY MONEY THEN. BERTHA SAID SHE WASN'T GIVING ANY STONE. SHE SAID TWP DENIED THEM THE USE OF THE ROAD. ERIC CULT SAID 3 LOADS COMPARED TO HOW MANY LOADS THEY HAULED REGARDLESS OF THE WEIGHT. PAUL SAID AGAIN NO ONE HAS A WEIGHT ISSUE, SO GAME OVER. **3. ALEX ASHCROFT-ECHO REPORTER**-ASKED WHAT IS THE ROAD LIGONIER EAST WAS TALKING ABOUT. VAUGHN SAID IT IS STRATFORD ROAD. IT IS A PRIVATE ROAD. ALEX ASKED IF IT WAS A THRUWAY ROAD OR A CIRCLE. VAUGHN SAID YOU GO IN AND AROUND TO BACK OUT. VAUGHN SAID IT IS UP TO THE SUPERVISORS AS TO TAKING IT OVER. BERTHA HAD ONE MORE QUESTION ON FT PALMER ROAD, SHE NOTICED WHN SHE GOES PAST THE CABLE CORN (HER PROPERTY), THERE IS A POTHOLE THAT GOES THE WHOLE WAY ACROSS THE ROAD THAT YOU CAN LOSE ½ WHEEL. IS THERE A CHANCE OF PUTTING STONE IN THERE TO FIX IT.? SHE SAID IT WOULD ALSO BE NICE TO CONTROL THE TRAFFIC, IS THERE A WAY THE TWP CAN PUT UP FOR PRIVATE ROAD. VAUGHN SAID TWP GETS LIQUID FUEL MONEY FOR THAT ROAD AND THEY CAN NOT SHUT IT DOWN.

X. ADJOURNMENT: MOTION BY JAMES; 2ND BY VAUGHN; UN- 3 YES/ 0 NO((V. TANTLINGER- YES / P. ALTIMUS- YES/ J. BROWN-YES) TIME (4:00 PM)(1 HOUR)

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