



FAIRFIELD TOWNSHIP REGULAR MEETING HELD ON AUGUST 10, 2017 (3PM)



**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 (JM)
VAUGHN TANTLINGER-PRESENT SECRETARY-PRESENT CITIZENS-5

III. PREVIOUS MONTHS MEETING JULY 13, 2017: APPR BY VAUGHN, 2ND BY JAMES; UN-YES (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 JULY 2017. APPR BY PAUL; 2ND BY VAUGHN; UN –YES (3-YES/ 0-NO) (V. TANTLINGER-YES / P. ALTIMUS-YES / J. BROWN-YES)

V. CORRESPONDENCE: 1. DERRY WELL DRILLED—ALL THE SURROUNDING TWPS ARE NOTIFIED.
2. SUBDIVISION (ELLEN STEWART) FEENY. DISCUSSION: PAUL STATED TWP JUST RECEIVED IT 2 DAYS AGO, AND IN TALKING TO THE SEO—THE CREDENTIALS ARE NOT IN PLACE YET. IT IS HIS RECOMMENDATION TO TABLE UNTIL NEXT MONTHS MEETING. SOLICITOR STATED DO NOT HAVE TO MAKE MOTION TO TABLE. UN ___YES/ NO (V. TANTLINGER-YES / P. ALTIMUS-YES / J. BROWN-YES)

3. PANIC FOREST PRODUCTS REQUESTED ROAD BOND RELEASE FOR BEAUFORT ROAD.
DISCUSSION: VAUGHN RECOMMENDS TO RELEASE BOND UPON SUPERVISORS GETTING TIME TO GO AND CHECK THE ROAD OUT. TWP JUST RECEIVED THE LETTER TODAY. VAUGHN MADE MOTION TO RELEASE UPON SUPERVISORS APPROVAL AFTER INSPECTING THE ROAD. 2ND BY PAUL; UN –YES (3-YES/ 0-NO) (V. TANTLINGER-YES / P. ALTIMUS-YES / J. BROWN-YES)

VI. PERSONS PLACED ON AGENDA: NONE

VII. OLD BUSINESS: 1. ORDINANCE #1-2017 STATEWIDE BUILDING CODE. DISCUSSION: SOLICITOR MR. MILLER STATED THAT FOR THE LAST FEW YRS. THERE HAS BEEN A FEW INSTANCES WHERE SUPERVISORS HAD CONCERNS WITH NEW CONSTRUCTIONS NOT REGULATED AND IN SOME INSTANCES WAS NOT EVEN KNOWN TO THE SUPERVISORS. THE BOARD HAD CONCERNS ON HOW THEY MIGHT REGULATE THEM BETTER IN THE FUTURE. SO THE SUPERVISORS GAVE CONSIDERATION INTO OPTING INTO ADMINISTRATION OF THE STATEWIDE BUILDING CODE. TKL INSPECTIONS (CERTIFIED INSPECTOR) OUT OF INDIANA SOLICITED THE TWPS BUSINESS AND HE HAS A GOOD RELATIONSHIP WITH THE TWP FELT HE COULD AFFECTIVELY ADMINISTER THE CODE. THE SUPERVISORS DIRECTED SOLICITOR PREPARE AN ORDINANCE TO OPT IN AND TO GIVE NOTICE TO DEPT. OF L & I BACK IN APRIL. AND WHEN 6 MONTHS HAS PASSED OR DEPT. OF L & I HAS GIVEN TWP APPROVAL—1 OF THE 2, THEN IF TWP ADOPTS THIS ORDINANCE, IT WILL BECOME EFFECTIVE AND INDIVIDUALS WILL BE REQUIRED TO OBTAIN AN INSPECTOR. THE TWP HAVE TERRY LICHTENFELS OR SOMEONE FROM HIS COMPANY (TKL) TO DO THE REQUIRED INSPECTIONS. PAUL SAID THE STATEWIDE BLDG CODE BECAME A STATE LAW IN 1999 AT THAT TIME THE TWP HAD CHOICE OFFER THE SERVICE OR HAVE PEOPLE FEND FOR THEMSELVES. PAUL SAID TWP CONTRACTED WITH A COMPANY AND IT WAS NOT A FRIENDLY SITUATION THEREFORE THE TWP OPTED OUT WHICH MEANT THE PUBLIC HAD TO FIND THEIR OWN INSPECTORS. SOLICITOR POINTED OUT THAT BACK THEN THE TWP STRUGGLED TO FORM AN APPEALS BOARD WITH OTHER MUNICIPALITIES. NOW IT HAS BEEN RESOLVED BY ENTERING AN APPEALS BOARD WITH I W COG. VAUGHN SAID THE COMPANY WILL WORK OUT DETAILS ONCE THIS ORDINANCE IS ENACTED. VAUGHN MADE A MOTION THAT FAIRFIELD TWP ADOPT **ORDINANCE #1-2017** WITH TKL; 2ND BY PAUL, UN –YES(3-YES/0-NO) (V. TANTLINGER-YES / P. ALTIMUS-YES / J. BROWN-YES) SOLICITOR STATED THAT AFTER IT IS EXECUTED, IT NEEDS TO BE SENT TO THE LAW LIBRARY, HE WOULD TAKE CARE OF IT IF THE TWP EMAILS HIM A COPY. EMMA, SECRETARY SAID THAT SHE HAS ALWAYS MAILED A COPY TO THE LAW LIBRARY, BUT IF SOLICITOR WANTS TO TAKE CARE OF IT, IT IS FINE WITH HER. JEFF SAID AS LONG AS THEY GET IT, SHE CAN MAIL. PAUL ASKED JEFF IF THERE IS ANY NEED FOR RECOGNITION FROM DEPT. L & I ON THIS ORDINANCE. SOLICITOR SAID NO, THEY GAVE THEM THE 6 MONTHS NOTICE THAT WAS REQUIRED BY STATUTE. AND IN THE EVENT WE DO NOT GET A NOTICE FROM DEPT. OF L & I, IT STILL BECOMES LAW ON OCT 14, 2017. SOLICITOR ANNOUNCED THAT THE SUPERVISORS HAVE HELD AN EXECUTIVE SESSION ON LITIGATION STRATEGY FOR ANTIOCHIAN VILLAGE ASSESSMENT APPEAL RIGHT BEFORE THIS MEETING.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS: NONE. VAUGHN BRING TWP UP TO DATE, A CONTRACTOR CAME IN AND PAVED 2 ROADS IN PAST 2 MONTHS, ONE WAS FUNDED MOSTLY BY WESTMORELAND CONSERVATION DISTRICT ROUGHLY WITH AN \$145,000 GRANT. TWP FUNDED THE OTHER ROAD. BOTH ARE COMPLETED, TWP IS DONE WORKING ON THEM AFTER TAKING 2 YRS TO GET READY. VAUGHN WILL FINISH UP HIS PAPERWORK, SECRETARY WILL TYPE AND GET PAPERWORK IN TO GET THE REST OF THE GRANT MONEY.

IX. PUBLIC COMMENT: 1. BERTHA MARTIN—HERE FOR SAME REASON, QUOTE “NEED STONE ON BRIDGES ROAD BETWEEN BRIDGES HOUSE DOWN TO RITENOUR GATE AND TURN AROUND, SURFACE OF ROAD HAS SHOW WEAR DUE TO HEAVY USE OF LOGGING DURING SPRING SEASON” BERTHA STATED THAT THE GAS COMPANY RAISED THE ROAD 2006 WHEN THEY MOVED OUT. WHEN TWP PLOWS SNOW THEY TAKE SOME OF THE SURFACE AWAY, AND IF YOU DON’T TAKE CARE OF IT THRU TIME THAT ROAD WILL NOT BE USABLE AND SHE WOULD NOT HAVE ACCESS TO HER 21 ACRES SHE WOULD APPRECIATE SOME STONE ON IT IS NOT A PROBLEM. SHE ALSO SAID ABOUT THE BIG OAK TREE WHERE TWP PAVED BY BOB GRAHAMS FARMS, PAUL ASKED IF IT WAS BY THE CURVE.

BUT AS IT STANDS NO ONE CAN PULL OVER UNLESS YOU ARE IN A HIGH TRUCK; ANYTHING LOWER YOU WOULD SCRAPE THE BOTTOM. PAUL SAID IT NEEDS A BETTER TRANSITION. BERTHA ASKED IF TWP WANTED HER NOTES. VAUGHN SAID TO GIVE TO SECRETARY AND SHE WILL ENTER INTO TWP MINUTES SINCE IT IS PROBABLY 3 MONTHS IN A ROW THAT SHE HAS ASKED. PAUL SAID 2 MONTHS. BERTHA NOTES QUOTE “NEED STONE ON BRIDGES ROAD BETWEEN BRIDGES HOUSE DOWN TO RITENOUR GATE AND TURN AROUND, SURFACE OF ROAD HAS SHOW WEAR DUE TO HEAVY USE OF LOGGING DURING SPRING SEASON” 2. SUE BARTOW(BORING) SAID SHE WAS HERE FOR THE OTHER MEETING. BUT SHE ASKED IF TWP HEARD ANYTHING ABOUT A NEW BRIDGE—THE WEST BOLIVAR BRIDGE. 3. CECELIA SISITKI—HERE FOR THE FOLLOWING MTG. 4. CYNTHIA SHETLER—HERE FOR THE FOLLOWING MTG. 5. ALEX ASCROFT-ECHO REPORTER—ASKED ABOUT THE ORDINANCE—HE ASKED ON THE TKI OUT OF INDIANA IF TWP HAD A CONTRACT WITH THEM. PAUL SAID THERE IS A ROUGH DRAFT CONTRACT, IT WILL BE AN ATTACHMENT TO THE ORDINANCE, THE DETAILS WILL HAVE TO BE WORKED OUT. 6. SECRETARY EMMA BRENDLINGER—ADDRESSED SOLICITOR 2 MONTHS AGO WE WENT INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AND EMMA HAD ASKED A QUESTION AND SOLICITOR WAS TO GIVE ME AN ANSWER AND I STILL HAS NOT RECEIVED AN ANSWER, DIDN’T KNOW IF HE WAS FORGOTTEN ABOUT. PAUL ANNOUNCED IT WAS RECEIVED ON JULY 19TH, AND SINCE THERE WAS ROAD RECONSTRUCTION, THERE WAS NO DECISION MADE. SECRETARY STATED THAT VAUGHN SAID SHE WAS TO GET AN ANSWER FROM THE SOLICITOR, AND DID NOT GET A COPY OF IT. EMMA STATED SHE WAS NOT AWARE OF THE REPLY, SOLICITOR STATED THAT LIKE PAUL RECORDED, HE SUBMITTED AN ANSWER.

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ADJOURNMENT: MOTION BY PAUL; 2ND BY VAUGHN; UN –YES (3-YES/ 0-NO) (V. TANTLINGER-YES / P. ALTIMUS-YES / J. BROWN-YES) TIME (3:18 PM)

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