



FAIRFIELD TOWNSHIP REGULAR MEETING HELD ON APRIL 9, 2009



I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 7 PM BY PAUL ALTIMUS, CHAIRMAN.

II. ROLL CALL: PAUL ALTIMUS-PRESENT JAMES BROWN-PRESENT SOLICITOR-PRESENT (JM)
VAUGHN TANTLINGER-PRESENT SECRETARY-PRESENT (EJB) CITIZENS-15

III. PREVIOUS MONTHS MEETING ON MARCH 12, 2009: APPR BY VAUGHN, 2ND BY JIM, UNAN-YES.

IV. TRUE BILLS PAID AND TO BE PAID ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT DATED MARCH 2009: APPR BY PAUL, 2ND BY VAUGHN, UNAN-YES.

V. CORRESPONDENCE: 1. GIBSON-THOMAS ENGINEER-PROPOSED LIGONIER WATER PROJECT. VAUGHN STATED HE AND JIM ATTENDED MEETING AT LIGONIER TWP BLDG WHICH WAS ORGANIZED BY REP. MIKE REESE. TWP HAS A MAP OF THE PROPOSED WATER LINES TO COME FROM GREATER JOHNSTOWN WATER AUTHORITY INTERCONNECTING WITH WESTMORELAND COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY. THE BOROUGH HAS HAD SOME DROUGHT PROBLEMS AND THEY ARE LOOKING TO CONNECT THE TWO AREAS WITH 16 INCH WATER LINE FROM JOHNSTOWN DOWN 271 AND IT CAN ALSO BE TAKEN TO LATROBE IF DESIRED. BASICALLY JOHNSTOWN HAS TOO MUCH WATER SINCE THE STEEL MILLS CLOSED AND THEY WANT TO SELL WATER. THIS ALL RESTS ON STIMULUS MONEY. VAUGHN FEELS IT WOULD BE A PLUS FOR RESIDENTS ON 271 FOR FIRE PROTECTION FOR FIRE HYDRANTS AT THE COST OF THE TOWNSHIP, AND IF ANYONE WANTS TO TAP IN—THERE WOULD BE A COST. PAUL SAID ANYONE CAN GET A COPY OF THE LETTER OR MAP. SECRETARY VAUGHN IF THERE WAS MENTION OF \$100,000 IF THE TWP WANTED TAP INS AND AN ORDINANCE ENFORCING RESIDENTS TO TAP IN, LIKE THEY DID IN BOLIVAR? VAUGHN SAID BASICALLY IT IS UP TO THE AUTHORITY, THEY USED TO LOOSE A LOT OF MONEY WHEN PEOPLE PROPOSED SPUR LINE, NOW TWP PAY OUT THE \$100,000 AND AS PEOPLE HOOKUP THE TWP WOULD GET THEIR MONEY BACK. SECRETARY SAID FROM PERSONAL EXPERIENCE, ONCE YOU ARE INVOLVED, THERE ARE SURCHARGES ON WATER BILLS EVERY TIME THERE IS AN EXTENSION OF WATER TO ANOTHER AREA.

VI. PERSONS PLACED ON AGENDA: 1. COUNTY COMMISSIONER CHARLES W. ANDERSON-GREW UP IN GREENSBURG, HEMPFIELD HIGH SCHOOL, WAYNESBURG UNIVERSITY, THEN HE GOT DRAFTED IN THE MARINES. WENT TO VIETNAM IN 1967-68 AS A FLY OFFICER. GOT OUT OF MILITARY AND LEARNED TO FLY AT LATROBE AIRPORT. SENT LETTER TO HE WOULD GO BACK INTO MARINE CORP AND FLY PLANES AND HE DID THAT FOR 25 YRS. RAISED 3 KIDS, HAS 5 GRANDCHILDREN, RETIRED AND CAME BACK TO WESTMORELAND COUNTY TO WORK IN THE COMMUNITY TO MAKE IT A BETTER PLACE AND WORK WITH THE VETERANS. WHEN KIM WARD BECAME SENATOR, HE APPLIED FOR THE POSITION AS COMMISSIONER, 22 PEOPLE APPLIED AND HE WAS APPOINTED. HE IS THERE TO LISTEN TO WHAT PEOPLE HAVE TO SAY. HE IS WORKING FOR THE PUBLIC AND HE HAS THIS JOB FOR THE NEXT 3 YEARS. HE IS GOING AROUND TO ALL THE MUNICIPALITIES-THERE ARE 65 MUNICIPALITIES IN WESTMORELAND CTY. IF TWP NEEDS HELP WITH BLOCK GRANT CALL HIM, OR IF YOU ARE IN GREENSBURG TO GET DISCOUNTS WITH PRESCRIPTIONS. ANDERSON GAVE INFO ON MATT—HE WORKED FOR SEN. BOB REGOLA. MATT SAID HE WAS A COURT HOUSE REPORTER FOR TRIBUNE REVIEW. MATT SAID ON THE STIMULUS PACKAGE BUT FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANTS, IF TWP HAS ONE THAT WAS TURNED DOWN OR ONE THAT WAS A 2ND CHOICE THEY ARE LOOKING FOR NEW APPLICANTS AROUND MAY, IT WILL BE A ONE TIME THING, HE TOLD SUPERVISORS TO CALL TERRY YURKISON OR CALL HIM AND THEY WILL TALK TO HER. MATT SAID THEY HAVE BEEN TALKING TO LIGONIER TWP FOR SEWAGE SERVICE TO BE PUT IN, THEY ARE TRYING TO GET HELP. THERE WAS A \$400 MILLION BOND ISSUE THAT WAS VOTED ON AND GOVERNMENT THREW ANOTHER \$400 MILLION ON TOP, BUT THERE ARE 2 BILLION APPLICATIONS. ANDERSON SAID THEY ARE ALSO WORKING WITH JUVENILE PROGRAMS FOR KIDS TO DO WORK IN THE COMMUNITY. MATT SAID ABOUT THE SUMMER PROGRAMS THAT WILL BE PAID FOR, CALL WIB (WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD)-THEY PAY WAGES, FICA, WORKMANS COMP., ETC. ANDERSON THANKED THE SUPERVISORS FOR THEIR JOB.

VII. OLD BUSINESS: A. PROPOSED ORD. #2-2009 HYPOCRITE CREEK RD NAME CHANGE TO LYNN ROAD, DEALING WITH THIS FOR AT LEAST 8 MONTHS. BEFORE BOARD ACTS UPON THIS, TWP HAS 2 PETITIONS ONE IS FOR THE NAME CHANGE AND ONE IS AGAINST THE NAME CHANGE—COPIES ARE AVAILABLE. PUBLIC COMMENT: 1. SCOTT BORING-NOT NOW, BUT RESERVES RIGHT TO COMMENT LATER 2. ORVILLE SAUNDERS AGAINST, BEEN THERE SINCE 1947 AND HIS ADDRESS CHANGED 5 TIMES SINCE THEN, IF THERE IS NOT A GOOD REASON TO CHANGE IT—THEN DON'T, AS OF NOW HE IS THE OLDEST RESIDENT ON HYPOCRITE. HE SIGNED THE 1ST TIME THEN IT WAS CHANGED AGAIN, WANTS IT LEFT AS IS. 3. BARB GARLAND CAN NOT EVEN SPELL IT-YES FOR THE NAME CHANGE. 4. LISA TELFORD-YES FOR THE CHANGE, DAUGHTER APPLYING FOR COLLEGE IN A FEW YEARS, AND THE STIGMATISM WITH HYPOCRITE ON THE APPLICATIONS. IT IS CONSTANTLY MISPELLED OR BUTCHERED. SHE FEELS LYNN ROAD WOULD BE A BETTER NAME THAN HYPOCRITE CREEK. 5. MIKE TELFORD-AGREES WITH THE NAME CHANGED TO LYNN 6. MIKE McCREERY-WANTS NAME CHANGED, HE SAW DANA GO THRU 3 YRS OF COLLEGE AND REALLY WORK HARD AND PUT TOGETHER A REALLY NICE BROCHURE TO HELP HERSELF GET A JOB AND HOW DISTRESSED SHE WAS WITH HAVING TO PUT ADDRESS ON IT. IT WILL AFFECT ANYONE LOOKING FOR A JOB, IT IS ON THE TOP OF ANY RESUME. HE IS EMBARRASSED TO GIVE HIS ADDRESS, IT IS A HASSLE. PEOPLE DID NOT BELIEVE IT WAS HIS ADDRESS. HE CAN SEE THE HASSLE OF CHANGING ALL THE ADDRESSES, HE TALKED TO A JAN AT BOLIVAR POST OFFICE, SHE SAID BOTH NAMES WILL BE IN THE PC AND YOU WILL GET YOUR MAIL. IF YOU DON'T WANT TO CHANGE IT YOU DON'T HAVE TO, THE NUMBERS WILL BE THE SAME. MIKE CALLED DRIVERS LICENSE # 1-800-932-9600, GIVE THEM THE CHANGE AND THEY WILL CHANGE IT AT NO COST. DANA SAID YOU DON'T HAVE TO CHANGE IT. 7. DANA McCREERY STATED THAT IT AGGRAVATED HER, SHE WENT THRU ALL THE MONEY TO GET A GOOD JOB AND THE ADDRESS IS THE VERY FIRST THING A PERSON SEES, AND IF THEY HAVE A STACK OF RESUMES, THAT ONE THING COULD KEEP YOU FROM GETTING A JOB—NOT SAYING IT HAPPENED, BUT IT COULD HAPPEN. IT IS A HASSLE TO SPELL IT OVER AND OVER AGAIN, AND SHE DOES NOT KNOW WHY PEOPLE THAT DO NOT EVEN LIVE ON IT CARE WHAT IT IS CALLED. VAUGHN SAID THAT THEY DID VOLUNTEER TO PICK UP ALL THE COSTS. 8. JIM McCREERY STATED MIKE AND DANA HAVE BEEN SUFFERING WITH THE NAME AND THEY ARE READY FOR A NAME CHANGE. DANA SAID IT MIGHT BE A TRADITION BUT SOME TRADITIONS NEED TO BE CHANGED. VAUGHN SAID IT BASICALLY CAME AROUND IN 1993 MR. PLUMMER TRIED TO GET NAMES, AND IT BECAME OFFICIAL WHEN 911 WAS ENFORCED ABOUT 5 YRS AGO. VAUGHN WAS SURPRISED TO HERE THAT FROM THE POST OFFICE, BECAUSE HE HAD MAIL RETURNED WITH THE RD ON IT. MIKE McCREERY SAID IT WAS BECAUSE IT WAS JUST A NAME CHANGE, THE NUMBER WILL BE THE SAME. VAUGHN SAID IT WILL BE FILED AT 911 AS EITHER HYPOCRITE OR LYNN. SECRETARY SAID SHE DOES NOT KNOW HOW POST OFFICE SAID IT WOULD BE OKAY WHEN IT IS 911 THAT APPROVES IT. McCREERY SAID IT WOULD ONLY BE THE ADDRESS. SECRETARY SAID IT WOULD BE REALLY CONFUSING FOR MAILING ADDRESS TO BE DIFFERENT THAN 911 ADDRESS. 9. SCOTT BORING ASKED ABOUT THE COST INCURRED IN IT. PAUL SAID IT WOULD BE SOLICITORS FEE



AND THE ADVERTISEMENT, SIGNS. SCOTT SAID THEY WILL HAVE TO BE UPGRADED TO THE NEW BREAKAWAYS, SIX INCH LETTERING—THAT AND INSTALLATION SHOULD BE INCLUDED. SCOTT ASKED ABOUT STUDIES, WHICH WOULD HAVE TO BE REDONE. SCOTT SAID HE IS TRADITIONAL AND DOES NOT WANT TO SEE IT CHANGE, AND HE SEES THAT THEY ARE UPSET BY IT. SCOTT SAID THERE ARE MANY PEOPLE THAT LIVE ALONG HYPOCRITE WHICH ARE SUCCESSFUL. DANA SAID IT COULD HINDER, EVERY TIME YOU GIVE THE ADDRESS OUT YOU GET NEGATIVE RESPONSES. SCOTT SAID HE IS NOT DISAGREEING ON THAT, BUT HE HATES TO SEE THE ROAD CHANGED. DANA SAID WHY? SCOTT SAID IT HAS BEEN THERE A LONG TIME AND HE IS NOT A HYPOCRITE SO IT IS NOT A BIG DEAL. THAT IS HIS OPINION, WHICH IS WHY THEY ARE THERE. AND IF YOU DO THIS, YOU ARE OPENING A DOOR BECAUSE WHAT IS STOPPING SOMEONE FROM WANTING TO CHANGE NAMES. AND WHAT THEY DO NOW WILL SET WHAT THEY DO IN THE FUTURE. VAUGHN ANNOUNCED THAT NAMES HAVE BEEN CHANGED BEFORE—ORCHARD HOLLOW AND MT. VIEW. SECRETARY POINTED OUT THAT MT. VIEW WAS CHANGED BY 911—WAS ROSS MT PARK ROAD, BUT ALSO HAD STATE ROSS MT. PARK ROAD. PAUL STATE MRS. SOWERS DID NOT LIKE MIDGET CAMP ROAD, SAID IT WAS DISCRIMINATORY. VAUGHN STATED SHE DID NOT GET THE SUPPORT FOR THE NAME CHANGE THAT MIKE AND DANA RECEIVED. VAUGHN SAID A LOT OF THE SUPPORT CHANGED THEIR MINDS. PAUL ASKED SUPERVISORS FOR ANY FURTHER COMMENTS ON ORD#2-2009 HYPOCRITE NAME CHANGE TO LYNN? VAUGHN MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE ORD#2-2009 AND NAME THE ROAD LYNN ROAD—911 HAD NO PROBLEM WITH IT, PAUL CALLED FOR A 2ND, THERE WAS NO 2ND, MOTION FAILS. PAUL ASKED SOLICITOR WHAT THE RECOURSES ARE FOR THOSE WHO STILL WANT TO FORCE THE ISSUE, CAN IT BE PUT ON THE BALLOT? SOLICITOR DOES NOT KNOW IF ROAD NAME CHANGE AS A REFERENDUM, IF THE SUPERVISORS ARE INCLINED ACT OR NOT ACT ON VOTE OF THE COMMUNITY, NOT SURE IT COULD BE ON REFERENDUM. MAYBE TWP COULD COME UP WITH A MAILING REFERENDUM. PAUL STATED AT THIS POINT THE NUMBERS WERE NOT IN FAVOR, DANA SAID IT WAS VERY CLOSE. PAUL SAID PART OF THE CONFUSION WAS THE CHANGE FROM WYNN TO LYNN. **B. SPECIAL MEETING** AT MUNICIPAL BUILDING ON APRIL 16, 2009 AT 3 PM TO OPEN BIDS FOR DIESEL AND EQUIPMENT RENTALS—PUBLIC MEETING. **C. COUNTY CONVENTION REPORT**—SECRETARY GAVE COPY OF REPORT TO 3 SUPERVISORS. SECRETARY POINTED OUT SHE WAS UPSET WITH COUNTY WIDE LOCAL TAX COLLECTION WHERE THEY WANT TO ESTABLISH ON COLLECTION DISTRICT IN EACH COUNTY. CREATES A TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE IN EACH TAX COLLECTION DISTRICT. IT IS TO BE IN PLACE BY JAN. 1, 2012. WHAT ARE THE ADVANTAGES? IF CURRENT COLLECTION WORKS, WHY FIX IT? CONTROL IS TAKEN OUT OF EACH MUNICIPALITY, AND SCHOOL DISTRICT. IT WILL TAKE THE JOBS FROM EACH AREA, AND SOMEONE IS BENEFITING—AND IT IS NOT THE MUNICIPALITY. OPEN RECORDS-TWP HAS ALREADY TAKEN CARE OF, BUT WAS DISCUSSED AT THIS MEETING THAT FIRE COMPANIES FALL UNDER THE OPEN RECORDS GUIDELINES AND THEY WOULD HAVE TO APPOINT AN OPEN RECORDS OFFICER. PAUL ASKED SOLICITOR IF THAT WOULD BE CORRECT, SOLICITOR SAID IT IS FIRST TIME HE HEARD THIS. VAUGHN SAID IT WAS STATED THERE. TWPS SHOULD GET INVOLVED IN THE PREVAILING WAGE IN TRYING TO KEEP IT DOWN, IF NOT IT COULD INCREASE THE COSTS OF PROJECTS UP TO 30%. RETENTION RECORDS WERE DISCUSSED THERE, PA HISTORICAL HAS A NEW UPDATED RETENTION OF RECORDS WHICH WAS SUGGESTED TWPS PURCHASE AND ADOPT THE NEW RETENTION OF RECORDS FOR CLARIFICATION. SECRETARY ASKED SOLICITOR WHAT WE HAVE TO DO. SOLICITOR SAID NOT OBLIGATED TO BUY THE RECORDS RETENTION POLICY, BUT YOU ARE REQUIRED TO FOLLOW SPECIFIC GUIDELINES AS FAR AS HOW LONG TO KEEP RECORDS, BUT NOT REQUIRED TO ADOPT POLICY TO RID YOURSELF OF PARTICULAR RECORDS IN A CERTAIN PERIOD OF TIME. YOU MAY ADOPT A POLICY TO DESTROY CERTAIN RECORDS AFTER A CERTAIN PERIOD OF TIME. DCED HAS BOOKLET ON LINE FOR RECORDS RETENTION. SECRETARY ALSO NOTED THAT REPRESENTATIVES AND SENATORS ROUNDTABLE DID NOT HAVE A GOOD TURNOUT—REP. JOHN PALLONE AND SEN. KIM WARD WERE THE ONLY ONES THAT SHOWED UP TO TAKE QUESTIONS. MORE OF THEM NEED TO TAKE AN INTEREST IN APPEARING. PALONE AND WARD DISAGREED ON A FEW TOPICS SIZE OF THE LEGISLATION AND NUMBER OF AIDE'S THEY SHOULD HAVE IN THEIR OFFICES. VAUGHN AGREED WITH SECRETARY ON REPRESENTATIVES NOT BEING THERE. HE FEELS IT IS A GREAT TIME FOR SUPERVISORS TO GET TOGETHER TO DISCUSS PROBLEMS THAT MAY HAVE ALREADY BEEN DEALT WITH BY ANOTHER TWP. HE FINDS IT VERY INTERESTING AND WORTHWHILE GOING. NEXT YEAR THE REPRESENTATIVES WILL BE REMINDED SEVERAL TIMES PRIOR TO THE CONVENTION.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS: 1. SPRING CLEANUP SCHEDULED FOR MAY 2, 2009 AT THE MUNICIPAL BLDG FOR 9 AM TO 1 PM. VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED, THERE WILL BE A ONE TIME \$5 ADMISSION FEE; TIRE AND FREON FEES WILL BE DETERMINED BEFORE THE CLEANUP. VAUGHN STATED TWP CONTACTED A TWP RESIDENT RUNNING A SMALL SAVAGE BUSINESS AND OFFERED TO GIVE TWP 5 DUMPSTERS FOR METAL AT NO COST AND TO GIVE TWP A PERCENTAGE OF WHAT HE GETS FROM THE METAL. TWP PAYS FOR METAL DUMPSTERS AND THIS WILL SAVE THE TWP OVER \$1000.

PUBLIC: 1. DEB GAWLAS- ON THAT MUNICIPAL TAX, SHE THOUGHT IT WAS VOTED ON AT ONE TIME. SHE FEELS IT WILL NOT BE ABLE TO BE CHANGED. DEB THINKS THEY ARE TRYING TO UNIFY IT. WANTS TO REMIND THEM OF STIFFLER HILL-SHE HAS TO USE 4 WHEEL DRIVE. **2. MAUREEN BLON 3. TOM BLON 4. LISA TELFORD 5. MIKE TELFORD 6. ERN HENDERSON 7. DAN BRENDLINGER 8. MIKE McCREERY** DISAPPOINTED IN THE SUPERVISORS DECISION ON HYPOCRITE, BUT HE UNDERSTANDS—BUT HE REALLY THINKS IT WOULD BE A GOOD THING. PAUL SAID TO PRESENT A BETTER CASE THE NEXT TIME. **9. DANA McCREERY** SAID IF YOU LOOK AT THE PETITION, THERE IS VERY FEW PEOPLE ACTUALLY LIVING ON HYPOCRITE CREEK RD THAT IS NOT IN FAVOR OF CHANGING IT. DANA'S LIST FOR THE CHANGE ALL LIVE ON HYPOCRITE. PAUL SAID THERE IS ALSO A LOT OF CROSS PETITIONS, PEOPLE CHANGED THEIR MIND THAT HAD PREVIOUSLY SIGNED FOR THE CHANGE. PAUL STATED THE ONSET MAY HAVE BEEN FROM THE WYNN TO LYNN. IT WAS ADVERTISED AS LYNN RD. PAUL SAID PRESENT A STRONGER CASE TO THE PEOPLE. MIKE SENT LETTERS TO KEEP THEM INFORMED, AND IF PEOPLE ARE TOO LAZY TO CHANGE THEIR ADDRESS THEY CAN JUST LIVE WITH IT. DANA SAID ABOUT MOVING MAILBOX. SOLICITOR THOUGHT IT WAS RR NUMBERS. PAUL SAID NOT SINCE 911 ADDRESSED IN 2004. **9. JIM McCREERY**

X. ADJOURNMENT: MOTION BY PAUL TO ADJOURN, 2ND BY VAUGHN, UNAN-YES.

Time: 8 PM

Submitted by: Emma Brendlinger, Sec-Tres