



FAIRFIELD TOWNSHIP REGULAR MEETING HELD ON AUGUST 8, 2013



- I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 7 PM (TIME) BY VAUGHN TANTLINGER, CHAIRMAN**
- II. ROLL CALL:** PAUL ALTIMUS-PRESENT JAMES BROWN-PRESENT SOLICITOR-PRESENT
VAUGHN TANTLINGER-PRESENT SECRETARY- PRESENT CITIZENS-17
- III. PREVIOUS MONTHS MEETING JULY 10, 2013:** APPR BY PAUL 2ND BY VAUGHN; UN-YES (3)
- IV. TRUE BILLS PAID AND TO BE PAID ON FINANCIAL STATEMENT DATED JULY 2013.**
APPR BY VAUGHN, 2ND BY JIM; UN-YES (3)
- V. CORRESPONDENCE: 1. NONE**

VI. PERSONS PLACED ON AGENDA: 1. ANTHONY ACIERNO—FAIRFIELD MANOR OWNER WAS HERE ON TWO CATCH BASIN, 1 FILLED COMPLETELY AND GRATING OF THE ONE ACROSS THE STREET BY SMITHLEYS IS GRADED THAT IT GOES ACROSS THE ROAD AND MISSES THE ENTIRE CATCH BASIN. HE HAD A COMPLAINT OF THE SMELL OF SEWAGE IN ONE OF THE CATCH BASINS, HE DID NOT CHECK ON THAT. AND THERE IS SEWAGE FROM ANOTHER CATCH BASIN ABOVE ABOUT 3 DOORS SOUTH ON 711 ON THE SAME SIDE. THEY HANDLE SEWAGE FROM TRAILER PARK, McCoy's AND RIGHT NEXT TO IT-SMITHS. HE THINKS IT IS COMING FROM THE HOUSE RIGHT ABOVE THEM. HE WOULD LIKE TWP TO CUT THE GRADING TO ALLEVIATE THE WATER COMING FROM 711 AND THE MAIN DRIVE, IT IS TEARING UP HIS ROADS MAKING A PATH TO HIS LOWER CATCH BASINS-BERKEYS WATER RUN OFF. PAUL ASKED IF HE WOULD DO A FIELD SITE VISIT WITH SUPERVISORS. ANTHONY SAID YES HE WOULD COME UP.

VII. OLD BUSINESS: 1. TCSA VACANCY FROM GARY LANE GARLAND RESIGNATION ON 1/10/2013. HIS TERM IS TO EXPIRE ON JAN 1. 2018. PAUL EXPLAINED THE TCSA IS 3 TOWN SYSTEM OF BOLIVAR, WEST BOLIVAR, AND ROBINSON PUBLIC SEWAGE. EACH MUNICIPALITY HAS REPRESENTATION, BOLIVAR HAS 3, FAIRFIELD HAS 2, AND ROBINSON HAS 2. GARY RESIGNED AND WE HAVE A TWP RESIDENT CECILIA SISITKI WHO IS INTERESTED. MOTION BY PAUL TO APPOINT CECILIA SISITKI TO FULFILL THE TERM; 2ND BY VAUGHN, UNAN-YES(3)

VIII. NEW BUSINESS: 1. RESOLUTION #2-2013 –SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR 2013 BUDGET—ACT 13 MONEY. TWP RECEIVED MONEY FORM MARCELLUS SHALE, TWP RECEIVED 2ND ONE RECENTLY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$81,455.56. WE ARE REQUIRED TO BUDGET THIS MONEY. IT IS A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF FAIRFIELD PROVIDING FOR THE SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE 2013 BUDGET. SOLICITOR ASKED IF WE CHECKED IF CAPITAL RESERVE FUND IS AN APPROVED EXPENDITURE FOR ACT 13. PAUL SAID HE THINKS WE DID. SOLICITOR SAID THE FUNDS ARE RESTRICTED. PAUL SAID THERE ARE LINE ITEMS THE TWP CAN BY VAUGHN STATED TWP IS GOING TO PUT IT INTO CAPITAL RESERVE FUND TO BUDGET FOR NEXT YEAR. MOTION BY PAUL TO APPROVE RES#2-2013; 2ND BY JIM; UN-YES (3) **2. RESOLUTION #3-2013** – DISPOSITION OF RECORDS. SECRETARY EMMA EXPLAINED THAT TWP IS MANDATED TO ADOPT THE MUNICIPAL RECORDS MANUAL. WHICH STATES WHEN AND HOW YOU ARE TO DISPOSE OF PUBLIC RECORDS WHICH YOU CAN GET RID OF AFTER A CERTAIN TIME—SUCH AS 10 YRS, 2YRS, ETC. BUT IT HAS TO BE DONE BY A RESOLUTION PERTAINING TO THE RECORDS THE TWP IS DESTROYING. THIS RESOLUTION IS FOR SOME PAYROLL AND PA ONE CALL RECORDS. MOT BY JIM TO APPROVE RES. #3-2013 2ND BY VAUGHN; UN-YES (3)

IX. PUBLIC COMMENT: 1. TOM BLON 2. MAUREEN BLON 3. ALICE WHITE 4. DON HOWARD-HERE ABOUT THE WATER. VAUGHN SAID THERE WAS A MEETING THAT 3 SUPERVISORS ATTENDED AT THE TOWN HALL IN LIGONIER WITH SOME RESIDENTS, ETC. DISCUSSED PUBLIC WATER AT THIS TIME. TWP IS PREPARING A SURVEY LETTER TO BE SENT OUT, TWP WAS GIVEN A COST. DON ASKED WHAT IS GOING TO BE IN THAT SURVEY LETTER, ENOUGH INFORMATION FOR THEM TO MAKE A DECISION. HE DOES NOT AGREE WITH THE FACT THAT HE HAS TO PAY FOR THE LOAN AND THEN THE WATER COMPANY TAKES IT OVER. IT IS LIKE GETTING A CAR LOAN, PAYING FOR IT, AND THEN THE BANK SAYING IT IS THEIR CAR. IF IT GOES THRU, EVERYONE IS GOING TO BE PAYING ABOUT \$16,000 A PERSON. THEN THE WATER COMPANY SHOULD HAVE TO BUY IT OFF THEM. HE WATCHED THEM WORK FOR 2 ½ YEAR, WHEN THEY PROBABLY ONLY WORK FOR 2 HOURS A DAY. SOLICITOR SAID THEY CAN DO IT ON THEIR OWN. SOLICITOR SAID THEY DON'T HAVE TO GO THRU THE MUNICIPAL WATER AUTHORITY TO INSTALL THE LINES, BUT HE DOES NOT THINK THE TWP IS INCLINED TO SET UP THE STRUCTURES OR TO OWN THE LINES THEMSELVES. SOLICITOR SAID IF YOU ARE SOMEWHERE WHERE THERE IS PUBLIC SEWER, PUBLIC WATER—YOU GENERALLY DON'T OWN THEM. DON SAID BUT THOSE PEOPLE GENERALLY DON'T HAVE TO PAY FOR THEM. SOLICITOR SAID GENERALLY THEY DO PAY FOR THEM. DON SAID IT CAME FROM GRANTS. SOLICITOR SAID NOT TRUE. DON SAID ONLY ONE PERSON ON 271 IS TAPPED IN SO WHY DOES HE HAVE TO IF IT IS PASSED. SOLICITOR SAID HE WOULD ANSWER HIS QUESTION IF HE GIVES HIM TIME OR HE CAN REMAIN QUIET AND LET DON TALK. DON DOESN'T MATTER, SOME STUFF SAYS ISN'T TRUE ANYWAY. SOLICITOR SAID IF YOU RUN A LINE FROM JOHNSTOWN, WHOEVER IS GETTING THE WATER IS PAYING FOR IT, THEY DO NOT SELL THE WATER AT COST. THEY SELL IT AS A MARKUP TO PAY THEIR DEBT SERVICES AS PART OF THEIR BUDGET EACH YEAR. CUSTOMERS PAY FOR THE LINES, BUT WATER AUTHORITY OWNS THE LINES, THAT IS JUST THE WAY IT WORKS. DON ASKED WHY THEIRS IS GOING TO BE \$100 A MONTH INSTEAD OF \$35 LIKE OTHERS. SOLICITOR SAID BECAUSE THEY WANT YOU TO PAY THE ENTIRE COST OF THE INSTALLATION OF THAT LINE, THEY ARE NOT GOING TO SPREAD IT OUT OVER THE OTHER RATE PAYERS. PAUL SAID IT IS PROJECT SPECIFIC. DON SAID IF THEY RUN IT RIGHT THEY WOULD HAVE MONEY TO RUN IT UP THERE. SOLICITOR SAID THERE ARE PLACES WHERE LINES WERE PRIVATE, EXAMPLE LAUREL MT BURRELL. THE MUNICIPAL NOW OWNS IT AND PROBLEMS THEY HAD WERE THE CITIZENS WERE NOT ABLE TO MAINTAIN THE LINES, SOME PLACE GOT CDBG MONEY TO REPAIR THE LINES, BUT LAUREL MT CAN NOT DO THAT AND THEY DO NOT HAVE THE MONEY TO DO THAT AND THEY CAN NOT FINANCE THE PROJECT. THEY ARE TRYING TO PATCH THEM. DON ASKED WHOSE CONSCIOUS IS IT GOING TO BE ON WHEN A DOZEN PEOPLE UP THERE HAVE TO SELL THEIR HOMES, SO THE

NICKEL MILLIONAIRES CAN GET THEIR CITY WATER. IF THEY WANT CITY WATER, STAY IN THE CITY.

5. GLENN CRAMER ASKED IF THIS PENVEST GOES THRU, THE TWP HAS TO ADOPT AN ORDINANCE, BUT THEY DON'T HAVE TO HOOK UP TO THE WATER; BUT HAVE TO PAY FOR THE INSTALLATION AND LOAN FEE, AND IF HE DOESN'T PAY, THEY CAN PUT A LIEN AGAINST HIS PROPERTY? VAUGHN SAID CORRECT. PAUL SAID HE HAS TO PAY EVEN IF HE DOESN'T HOOK INTO IT. SOLICITOR SAID THE ESTIMATE AT THIS TIME IS AROUND \$65 A MONTH FOR THE NEXT 20 YRS AND A ONE TIME TAP IN FEE. SOLICITOR SAID IF YOU ARE WITHIN 150 FT YOU HAVE TO TAP IN. VAUGHN SAID IF THE ORDINANCE IS PASSED.

6. CARL HOWARD HE HAS A SUMMER HOME ON RUDDER RD, DOES TWP NEED HIS HOME ADDRESS TO GET THIS SURVEY LETTER. HE WANTS TO KNOW WHY HE HAS TO CAP HIS WELL AND CAN'T USE IT FOR WATERING GARDEN ETC. PAUL SAID YOU CAN BUT YOU CAN NOT CROSS CONTAMINATE THE SYSTEMS. CARL SAID IT HAS TO BE SEPARATE ALTOGETHER, AND AS LONG AS HE DOES NOT TAPPED INTO THE MAIN LINE, HIS WELL IS STILL USABLE TO WATER GARDEN AND WASH HIS CAR. VAUGHN, PAUL SAID YES. WHEN THE SURVEY COMES OUT WILL IT INCLUDE THE MONEY FIGURE IN IT? VAUGHN SAID YES. THE \$100 A MONTH WAS THE WORST CASE SCENARIO. THEY THERE IS A POSSIBILITY OF OUTSIDE FUNDING THAT CAN REDUCE THE MONTHLY COST. CARL ASKED IF FAIRFIELD HAS TO GO ALONG WITH LIGONIER'S WATER AUTHORITY. SOLICITOR SAID THIS PROPOSAL HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH LIGONIER. SECRETARY SAID IF FAIRFIELD GOES THRU WITH IT, IT THEN BRINGS IT CLOSER TO LIGONIER—THEN MAYBE IT WILL NOT COST THEM AS MUCH. DON SAID MANY DO NOT KNOW THAT IF YOU HAVE AN ADJOINING PROPERTY, THAT DOES NOT HAVE A HOUSE ON IT—THEY MAY HAVE 2 BILLS TO PAY. CARL OWNS 2 LOTS, ONE WITH A TRAILER ON IT- THE OTHER EMPTY—WILL HE HAVE TO PAY 2 FEES? SOLICITOR SAID THERE WAS 2 PROPOSALS—ONE FOR ASSIGNING COST TO ALL PROPERTIES POTENTIALLY TO BE SERVICED BY THE LINE—ABOUT 111 PROPERTIES. ANOTHER WAS JUST FOR THOSE APPROVED PROPERTIES WITH A HOME ON AT THIS TIME.—APPROX 70 HOMES. DON SAID THEN WHEN THE OTHER 20 VACANT PROPERTIES DECIDE TO BUILD—THEY WILL NOT HAVE TO PAY LIKE THE CURRENT CUSTOMERS. SOLICITOR SAID IF THERE IS STILL 10 YRS OF PAYMENT, THEN THE NEW HOME WOULD ALSO HAVE TO PAY THE SURCHARGE FOR THE 10 YRS. VAUGHN SAID THERE DEFINITELY WILL BE A PUBLIC MEETING.

7. ANTHONY ACIERNO ASKED IF THE WATER AFFECTS HIS TRAILER PARK, VAUGHN SAID NO DOES NOT AFFECT THEM.

8. KATRINA ACIERNO

9. KATHY KEOSHY—PLUMMER ROAD WHERE TWP FILLED DITCH IN ON THE OTHER SIDE OF CARNS PLACE, THE WATER IS RUNNING RIGHT UNDER HER PLACE. VAUGHN SAID WHERE THEY PUT IN THE FRENCH DRAIN.

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13. ERN HENDERSON

14. DAVE LUTHER HE SAW TWP IN TRAILER PARK, THEY SHOULD HAVE BEEN THERE WHEN IT RAINED AND IT IS TEARING UP THE ROAD. HE SUGGESTED TWP GO TO JASON WHIPKEY'S OUT THE ROAD AND START FROM THERE, HE FEELS THERE IS ONLY A 4 INCH PIPE INTO THAT DRAIN. PAUL'S THOUGHT IT WAS BIGGER THAN THAT

15. DAN BRENDLINGER

16. PAULA BROWN SCHOOL OPENS AT THE END OF THE MONTH. EVERYTHING ELSE LOOKS GOOD

17. ALICE WHITE ASKED IF THERE WERE APPROX 75 HOMES AFFECTED BY THE WATER. SECRETARY ASKED IF YOU HAD 2 LOTS WERE THERE GOING TO BE 2 TAP IN FEES PLUS 2 MONTHLY SURCHARGES TO THAT OWNER, OR WAS THE VACANT LOTS MONTHLY FEES GOING TO BE DIVIDED BY ALL PROPERTY OWNERS? I KNOW IF I ONLY OWNED 1 LOT, I WOULD NOT WANT TO BE PICKING UP PART OF THE MONTHLY FEES FOR SOMEONE THAT OWNED 2 LOTS—ONE BEING VACANT. SOLICITOR SAID THAT MAWC RAN IT 2 DIFFERENT WAYS ONE WAS ONLY THE IMPROVED PROPERTIES PAY THE SURCHARGE AND THE OTHER SCENARIO WAS EACH SEPARATE PROPERTIES PAY THE SURCHARGES. IF THERE IS NO HOUSE YOU WOULD NOT HAVE TO PUT IN A TAP. ALICE ASKED ABOUT THE FIGURE. VAUGHN SAID IT WAS TO BE AROUND \$65.20 SURCHARGE AND THEN APPROX \$30-35 FOR THE WATER DEPENDING ON THE USAGE. DON ASKED WHAT THE CUTOFF WAS. PAUL SAID IT WAS 12,000 A QUARTER. ALICE ASKED WHEN THE TWP PLANS ON SENDING THE SURVEY LETTER OUT. PAUL SAID SOMETIME AFTER LABOR DAY. CARL HOWARD SAID ABOUT TURKEY INN RD HAVING A PRETTY GOOD POTHOLE IN IT. VAUGHN SAID THEY HAVE TO UNDERDRAIN THERE WITH A FRENCH MATTRESS AND DRAIN AND THEN RESURFACE.

X. ADJOURNMENT: MOTION BY PAUL; 2ND BY JIM; UN-YES(3) TIME (7:35 PM)

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