



**FAIRFIELD TOWNSHIP REGULAR MEETING HELD ON FEBRUARY 14, 2013**



**I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT: 7:00 PM (TIME) BY: VAUGHN TANTLINGER, CHAIRMAN**

**II. ROLL CALL:** PAUL ALTIMUS-PRESENT      JAMES BROWN-PRESENT      SOLICITOR-PRESENT  
VAUGHN TANTLINGER-PRESENT      SECRETARY-PRESENT      CITIZENS-10

**III. PREVIOUS MONTHS MEETING JAN. 10, 2013:** APPR BY PAUL, 2<sup>ND</sup> BY VAUGHN, UN-YES(3)

**IV. TRUE BILLS PAID AND TO BE PAID ON FINANCIAL STATEMENT DATED JANUARY 2013:** APPR BY PAUL, 2<sup>ND</sup> BY JIM, UN-YES(3)

**V. CORRESPONDENCE: 1. LANE GARLAND RESIGNATION--** ACCEPT RESIGNATION OF TCSA; HIS TERM EXPIRED JAN 1, 2013; MOTION BY JIM TO ACCEPT LANE GARLAND’S RESIGNATION FROM THE TCSA; 2<sup>ND</sup> BY VAUGHN, UN-YES(3) VAUGHN SAID THERE WAS SOMEONE THAT HAD SHOWN AN INTEREST IN THE POSITION. VAUGHN ASKED IF TWP SHOULD CHECK TO SEE IF SHE IS STILL INTERESTED. SECRETARY REMINDED THE BOARD THAT RICH GARLAND ALSO SUBMITTED A LETTER OF INTEREST IN SERVING ON THE TCSA BOARD. VAUGHN SAID TWP WILL HAVE TO SEE WHO IS INTERESTED IN THE VACANCY. **2. GAS WELL NOTICES – WEST WHEATFIELD AND DERRY.**

**VI. PERSONS PLACED ON AGENDA: 1. CAROL - NO SHOW. 2. BONNIE LONG-NOT ABLE TO MAKE IT**

**VII. OLD BUSINESS: LTMA UPDATE FROM BEN FAAS.** PLANNING THIS PROJECT FOR 2 YRS. THE DID RECEIVE FUNDING—ALL LOAN. DURING WHICH LTMA PAID OFF A BOND ISSUE WHICH FREED UP A \$200,000 ANNUALLY IN DEBT SERVICE. THE PROJECT WAS PLANNING TO USE THAT DEBT SERVICE. NUMBERS HAVE NOT CHANGED, HOWEVER WHEN THE FUNDING CAME THRU LTMA HAS HAD SOME SEWER PROJECTS AND LINE BREAKS; AND THE EXISTING SYSTEM HAS OVER 50 MILES OF LINE IS OVER 60 YRS OLD AND CONSTRUCTED OF ASBESTOS CEMENT PIPE AND IT HAS NOT WITHSTOOD THE TEST OF TIME. THEY HAVE BEEN DEALING WITH THE BREAKS, AND THIS AGING PROJECT TO THE FRONT. SO WHEN FUNDING CAME THRU, THEY STARTED THINKING OF THE 20 YR DEBT SERVICE THEY WOULD BE COMMITTING TO AND IN THOSE 20 YRS THEY WOULD HAVE TO HOPE THE EXISTING LINES HELD TOGETHER. OTHERWISE IT WOULD REQUIRE RATE INCREASES TO EXISTING AND NEW CUSTOMERS. BECAUSE OF THIS, THEY DID NOT ACCEPT PENVESTS OFFER. THEY ARE CONTINUING TO PURSUE ALTERNATE FUNDING TO MAKE THE PROJECT ACCEPTABLE TO THEM. HE IS NOT VERY HOPEFUL THAT LEVEL OF FUNDING TO GO THRU. THIS PROJECT IS SHOVEL READY WITH PERMITS, SO THEY WILL CONTINUE TO EXTEND PERMITS AS LONG AS DEP ALLOWS. HE IS HOPING FOR SOME KIND OF FUNDING TO POTENTIALLY PROCEED. AS FOR NOT CONTINUING WITH THE PROJECT. PAUL SAID TWP NEEDED INFORMATION ON WHAT WAS GOING ON, BECAUSE LTMA HAS NOT SAID ANYTHING TO US REGARDING WHERE THIS PROJECT STOOD. BEN APOLOGIZED. VAUGHN ASKED SOLICITOR ABOUT THE ORDINANCE. SOLICITOR SAID TO SIT AND WAIT FOR A BIT TO SEE WHAT HAPPENS.

**VIII. NEW BUSINESS: 1. I-W COG 2013 ROAD MATERIAL BID –**AGGREGATE, ASPHALT MATERIAL, BITUMINOUS MATERIAL, BLACK ASH, ANTISKID, DSA, PATCHING MATERIAL, MOT BY PAUL, 2<sup>ND</sup> BY VAUGHN, TO BID THESE ITEMS THRU THE I-W COG, WHICH THE COG WILL OPEN SOMETIME IN MARCH 2013; UNAN-YES(3) **2. EQUIPMENT RENTAL BID—**OPEN ON APRIL 11, 2013: MOT BY VAUGHN, 2<sup>ND</sup> BY JIM, UNAN-YES(3) **3. COUNTY CONVENTION** ON MARCH 8, 2013 LOCATION CHANGED TO FERRANTE’S LAKEVIEW RESTAURANT IN GREENSBURG; MOT BY JIM TO PERMIT ANYONE ELIGIBLE TO ATTEND THE COUNTY CONVENTION WITH WAGES/OR CONVENTION FEE PLUS MILEAGE BEING PAID— SUPERVISORS, SECRETARY, AUDITORS, TAX COLLECTOR, SOLICITOR; 2<sup>ND</sup> BY VAUGHN, UN-YES(3) **4. JW TECH** FROM JOHNSTOWN SENT ANNUAL DOWNSTREAM NOTIFICATION **5. PAUL ANNOUNCED** THERE HAS BEEN A VACANCY IN THE AUDITORS POSITION, AND THERE IS POSSIBLY AN INDIVIDUAL INTERESTED IN FILLING THE POSITION. SOLICITOR SAID HAVE 30 DAYS FROM TIME OF VACANCY. PAUL SAID IT HAS BEEN OVER A YEAR. TWP ADVERTISED THE POSITION.

**IX. PUBLIC COMMENT: 1. MAUREEN BLION 2. TOM BLON 3. BEN FAAS –**VAUGHN THANKED HIM FOR HIS TIME **4. SHIRLEY LaMANTIA—**INTERESTED IN HAVING BRIDGES ROAD CLEANED UP, IT IS A MUD MESS. **5. DAVID MILLER** SINCE LTMA HAS BAILED ON US, IS THE TWP GETTING WITH THE MAWC TO SEE THEIR INTEREST. PAUL SAID TWP DID HAVE A MEETING WITH MAWC, THEY ARE DOING A COST STUDY ANALYSIS. STRATFORD ROAD IS IN IT. PAUL SAID THEY SHOW A HIGH INTEREST IN FFTWP ONLY, TURKEY INN, OLD 271, RUDDER, CANTERBURY, ESSEX, KUHN. VAUGHN SAID TWP WAITING ON THE INFORMATION TO COME BACK. PAUL SAID WILL KEEP HIM INFORMED **6. LAURA HENDERSON 7. MARISA HENDERSON 8. ERN HENDERSON 9. DAN BRENDLINGER 10. PAULA BROWN**

**SOLICITOR SAID ON AUDITOR VACANCY—**30 DAYS TO APPOINT, 15 ADDITIONAL DAYS WITH VACANCY BOARD, PETITION THE COURT. POSITION WILL ONLY BE HELD UNTIL THE NEXT MUNICIPAL ELECTION. LAURA ASKED IF IT WOULD BE EASIER FOR HER TO BE ON THE BALLOT. PAUL SAID THE AUDITORS DON’T NEED HER FOR THIS AUDIT, THEY WILL NEED HER NEXT YEAR. SOLICITOR SAID TO HAVE HER ON THE BALLOT OR AS A WRITE IN. LAURA CALLED ELECTION BUREAU AND THEY SAID TO TALK TO SOLICITOR

**X. ADJOURNMENT:** MOTION BY VAUGHN, 2<sup>ND</sup> BY JIM, UN-YES(3) TIME (7:18 PM)

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