



## FAIRFIELD TOWNSHIP REGULAR MEETING HELD ON JANUARY 10, 2013



**I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 7PM BY VAUGHN TANTLINGER, CHAIRMAN.**

**II. ROLL CALL:** PAUL ALTIMUS-PRESENT JAMES BROWN-PRESENT SOLICITOR-PRESENT (JWM)  
VAUGHN TANTLINGER-PRESENT SECRETARY- PRESENT(EJB) CITIZENS-14

**III. PREVIOUS MONTHS MEETING HELD ON DEC. 13, 2012:** APPR BY PAUL , 2ND BY VAUGHN , UNAN-YES(3)  
**REORGANIZATION MEETING JAN 7, 2013:** APPR BY JIM, 2<sup>ND</sup> BY VAUGHN, UNAN-YES(3)

**IV. TRUE BILLS PAID AND TO BE PAID ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT DATED DECEMBER 2012:** VAUGHN BROUGHT ATTENTION TO ITEM #51 FOR AFLAC, HE SAID THAT IS PAID BY THE EMPLOYEES OUT OF THEIR WAGES. THE TWP DEDUCTS FROM PAY AND WRITES CHECK OUT TO AFLAC. SALLY SAXTON ASKED IF IT SHOWS THAT ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT. SECRETARY EXPLAINED IT IS DEDUCTED FROM THEIR PAYS AND IT ONLY SHOWS UP ON THEIR PAYSTUBS APPR BY VAUGHN, 2ND BY JIM , UNAN-YES(3)

**V. CORRESPONDENCE:** **1. BWP ROAD BOND RELEASE**—TR994-WHERRY RD IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1200; DISCUSSION:\_ SALLY SAXTON ASKED IF THEY FIX THEM PRIOR TO BEING RELEASED. VAUGHN STATED THAT BWP HAS AGREED TO PAY FFTWP FOR 2 LOADS OF GRAVEL. TWP TAKES A FILM OF THE ROADS PRIOR TO BONDING THEM. IT WAS ONLY A \$1200 BOND. MOT BY VAUGHN TO RELEASE BWP WHERRY ROAD BOND UPON RECEIPT OF THE GRAVEL MONEY; 2<sup>ND</sup> BY PAUL, UNAN-YES(3) **2. VAUGHN ANNOUNCED THAT DIAMOND ENG (CERTIFIED)-COAL LOADERS SURFACE MINE ON SNYDER PROPERTY--SITE IS APPROX. 1.5 MILES EAST OF 259 ON COW BRIDGE ROAD. CECIL BRINKER PROPERTY. 3. COAL LOADERS BLAST RENEWAL NOTICE FOR STANISLAW MINE #3 ON NORTH SIDE OF ROBB ROAD FROM JAN 12, 2013 THRU JAN 12, 2014. IT IS A PUBLIC NOTICE OF A BLAST RENEWAL FOR SURFACE STRIP MINE. PAUL STATED RECENTLY THE MINE HAS BEEN INACTIVE. 4. QUAKER SALES DOWNSTREAM NOTICE. THIS NOTIFIES EMERGENCY RESPONSE UNITS OF CHEMICALS KEPT AT THEIR COMPANY**

**VI. PERSONS PLACED ON AGENDA:** **1. PAUL ANNOUNCED IT IS A SUBDIVISION FOR ERNEST MATSON PLAN #2.** THEY WANT TO CREATE A NEW LOT OF 7.8 ACRES FROM THE PARENT TRACT KNOWN AS LOT 1A, THE PARENT TRACT WILL HAVE A RESIDUAL OF 12.16 ACRES. LOT 1 A HAS BEEN APPROVED FOR SEPTIC BY SEO, THE ONLY THING SEO WANTS TO SEE CHANGED ON THE SUBDIVISION PAPERWORK, THE PARENT TRACT HAS TO BE TITLED WITH A 10 ACRE EXEMPTION BEFORE FILING WITH THE COURTHOUSE. THE SEO WAS TO NOTIFY JOE DAVIS. PAUL MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE SIGNING OF THE NEW DOCUMENTS WHEN RECEIVED, IT THE CONTAIN THE 10 ACRE EXEMPTION INFORMATION FOR THE PARENT TRACT; 2<sup>ND</sup> BY JIM, UNAN-YES (3) **2. SALLY SAXTON-1.** HER FIRST CONCERN IS THE PLOWING OF THE ROADS AFTER THAT LAST STORM. SHE TALKED TO VAUGHN ON THE PHONE, AND HE SAID IT WAS BECAUSE OF THE STORM. SHE WAS TOLD BY SOMEONE THAT IT IS BECAUSE FFTWP DOES NOT PUT THEIR PLOW DOWN TO THE GROUND, AND THAT CAUSES THE WASHBOARD AFFECT. SHE HAS LIVED THERE SINCE 1955 AND HYPOCRITE HOLLOW ROAD WAS THE WORST SHE HAS SEEN IT. VAUGHN SAID NO THE BLADES ARE TOUCHING THE GROUND, THEY BOUNCE ON EVERY ROAD. HE SAID JIM AND PAUL RUN SKIDS ON THEIRS, BUT THE PLOWS ARE DOWN. SALLY ASKED WHAT ARE SKIDS FOR. VAUGHN SAID TO KEEP IT SMOOTH. PAUL SAID SKIDS ARE A WEAR PLATE.. VAUGHN SAID ROADS TWP DID NOT PLOW THAT MORNING UNTIL LATER, THEY CLEANED OFF PERFECTLY. THE SNOW, ICE THAT CAME CAUSED PROBLEMS. VAUGHN SAID HE APOLOGIZED AND HE KNOWS JIM PLOWED THAT ROAD 3 TIMES THAT DAY, IT FROZE UP ON IT. SALLY STATED TWP DOES NOT USUALLY PUT SALT ON THEIR ROADS. VAUGHN SAID THEY DID PUT SALT ON IT TWICE. SALLY ASKED IF TWP GETS PAID FOR THE SALT THEY STORED FOR THE STATE. PAUL SAID THAT WAS ABOUT 5 YRS AGO AND NO TWP DID NOT GET PAID. VAUGHN SAID JIM CALLED PENDOT AFTER SHE AND SCOTT BORING CALLED FOR HELP. THEY TOLD JIM THEY COULD NOT SEND A STATE TRUCK DOWN THAT ROAD. JIM TOOK TWP TRUCK TO LIGONIER AND THEY GAVE US SOME SALT. SALLY ASKED IF TWP WAS OUT OF SALT. VAUGHN SAID TWP DOES NOT USE SALT. PAUL SAID TWP ONLY USES SALT ON ISOLATED INSTANCES. PAUL SAID YOU CAN'T PUT SALT ON A DIRT/GRAVEL ROAD; AND TWP CAN NOT AFFORD TO FIX WHAT SALT DOES TO PAVED ROADS. VAUGHN ALSO EXPLAINED WHEN THEY LEAVE WITH A TRUCK, THEY GO FROM PAVED TO GRAVEL, ETC. AND MOST OF TWP ROADS ARE VERY THIN. VAUGHN SAID TWP USES LITTLE STONE FOR ANTI SKID. **#2 SHE ASKED ABOUT THE MONEY THE TWP IS GETTING FROM THE GAS WELLS—DID TWP RECEIVE IT YET? PAUL AND VAUGHN SAID YES—IT IS ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT. SHE ASKED WHEN THE TWP DECIDES WHERE THEY ARE SPENDING THIS MONEY. PAUL SAID TWP JUST RECEIVED IN DECEMBER AND THE ONLY ITEM BUDGETED AS EXPENSE ITEM WAS FIRE HYDRANTS. SALLY ASKED HOW IT FALLS UNDER THE ACT 13 MONEY. VAUGHN SAID IT IS ONE OF THE ALLOWABLE EXPENSES FOR FIRE PROTECTION. SALLY ASKED ABOUT ROADS. VAUGHN SAID YES CAN BE USED TO FIX ROADS. SALLY SAID THEIRS WAS FIXED AND THEN SANDY CAME ALONG, ARE THEY DONE UP THERE? VAUGHN SAID THEY ARE DONE, TWP HAS A FEW PIPES THEY HAVE TO DO YET. SALLY SAID WHEN SPRING BREAKS HOW MUCH CAN THEY DO UP THERE TO FIX IT. VAUGHN SAID HE CAN NOT STATE EXACT AMOUNT, THEY ARE PLOWING SNOW RIGHT NOW AND THEY HAVE NOT SAT DOWN AND DISCUSSED ROAD WORK FOR THIS UPCOMING YEAR. THE TWP ALSO HAS 60 MILES OF ROAD TO MAINTAIN. HE DID TELL HER HE FEELS THEY ARE GOING TO DO SOME THING, BUT HE CAN NOT GIVE HER A FINAL NUMBER RIGHT NOW. SALLY SAID SINCE THEY HAD ALL THAT RAIN, THERE ARE TRENCHES IN THE ROAD. DO YOU KNOW WHEN YOU WILL START WORKING ON IT—APRIL, MAY, JUNE? VAUGHN SAID THE COMPANY TOOK THE MIDDLE OUT OF THE ROAD AND SANDY HIT; THEN WE WENT RIGHT INTO WINTER. JIM SAID TWP WILL GET TO IT IN THE SPRING. LIBBY HUGHES ASKED IF THEY PLANED AHEAD? LIBBY SAID THEY USED TO PLAN PROJECTS FOR EACH ROAD AND WHAT THEY WERE GOING TO DO. PAUL SAID THEY HAVE IDEAS, BUT CAN NOT PROMISE UNTIL WINTER IS OVER. **3. SHIRLEY LAMANTIA** ASKED HOW THEY CHOOSE, WHERE, WHEN YOU ARE GOING TO REPAIR A ROAD, HOW BAD DOES IT HAVE TO BE? OR IS IT THE NUMBER OF COMPLAINTS, HOW DO YOU GET SOMETHING DONE. VAUGHN SAID BY TALKING TO SUPERVISORS, THEY HAVE BEEN CATCHING UP WITH THE PIPES SINCE HE STARTED. SHIRLEY SAID THEY DO OT HAVE PIPES OR DRAINAGE ON BRIDGES ROAD. VAUGHN SAID THEY DO. VAUGHN SAID THERE IS CROSS DRAINS. SALLY SAID SHIRLEY WAS TALKING ABOUT ALONG THE SIDE. VAUGHN SAID THEY ARE ALL OPEN DITCHES, MOST OF OUR ROADS HAVE OPEN DITCHES—SOME DEEPER THAN OTHERS. VAUGHN SAID THERE IS NO DITCHES BELOW JOHNS DRIVEWAY. SHIRLEY SAID THEY DID NOT FILL IT IN AND LEVEL IT. SHIRLEY'S CONCERN IS WITH A SAFETY ISSUE SHE RAN INTO ON BRIDGES ROAD DEC 30, 31 & JAN 1. SHE SUBMITTED A LETTER ALL THE DETAILS, IT WAS A SERIES OF PROBLEMS FOR HER BECAUSE THE ROAD WAS NOT ATTENDED TO. STARTING WITH HER SON, FRIENDS THAT GOT STUCK, BRIDGES AND SAM WAS STUCK; AND NOTHING WAS DONE UNTIL SAM CALLED SOMEONE ON SUNDAY. THE NEXT DAY THE ROAD WAS NOT KEPT OPEN. PAUL HAS ALWAYS MANAGED TO KEEP AHEAD OF IT. USUALLY SHE PICKS UP PHONE AND CALLS PAUL FOR HELP AND HE COMES OUT, COULD NOT HAPPEN BECAUSE PAUL WAS AWAY; BUT THEY WERE LEFT STRANDED AND WORRYING ABOUT SAFETY ISSUES; ON NEW YRS DAY SHE HAD A MEDICAL ISSUE WITH HER MOTHER AND COULD NOT GET OFF THE HILL WITHOUT GETTING SOMEONE OUT THERE AND SHE WAS UPSET WHEN VAUGHN HUNG UP ON HER. VAUGHN EXPLAINED THAT THAT HIS 235-2867 IS NO LONGER HIS LAND PHONE, IT IS HIS CELL—THEY DO NOT HAVE A LAND PHONE # AND IT WAS A DROPPED CALL—HE DID NOT HANG UP ON HER HE WAS ON RUDDER RD AND HE HAD NO RECEPTION. THE SECOND TIME SHE CALLED WHEN HE WAS UP THE ROAD IS WHEN HE DID TALK TO HER. HE**

WAS NOT AT HOME WHEN SHE CALLED, HE WAS OUT PLOWING. HE CALLED JIM AND JIM WENT OUT TO PLOW AS SOON AS HE COULD. SHE SAID SHE HEARD HER SAY SAM "I'LL BE THERE WHEN I CAN". VAUGHN SAID HE DID NOT HEAR ANYONE ON THE OTHER END. HE IS SURE EVERYONE HAS EXPERIENCED DROPPED CALLS IN OUR AREA. VAUGHN SAID SHE CAN CALL THAT NUMBER ANYTIME; HE HAS GREAT RECEPTION AT HOME. ALICE WHITE SAID YOU CAN NOT GET RECEPTION ON RUDDER RD. SHIRLEY ASKED ABOUT THE PROTOCOL FOR THE ROADS. VAUGHN SAID 1<sup>ST</sup> ROADS TO DONE WHEN PAUL IS HERE-- HE HITS HYPOCRITE, STEWARTS AND BRIDGES. SHIRLEY ASKED IF SOMEONE IS BACKING UP PAUL WHEN HE IS ON VACATION. VAUGHN SAID JIM WAS DOING PAUL'S ROUTE. VAUGHN WAS DOING HIS ROUTE AND THE PART TIME HELP WAS DOING THE OTHERS. SHIRLEY SAID ON NEWS YEAR THEY WERE TRYING TO GET FRIENDS OUT THAT WERE STUCK. VAUGHN SAID WAS THAT NEW YRS EVE, SHIRLEY SAID YES. VAUGHN EXPLAINED THE TWP DOES NOT RUN 24 HR SHIFTS. SHIRLEY SAID THEY WERE STILL NOT THERE BY 10 AM THE NEXT MORNING. VAUGHN SAID THEY WERE ON THEIR WAY AT THAT TIME. VAUGHN SAID THEY PLOW EVERY ROAD AS SOON AS THEY CAN. VAUGHN SAID THEY HIT IT AT LEAST 2 TIMES A DAY AND THEY CAN NOT BE ON IT ALL THE TIME, AND PAUL IS NOT ON IT ALL THE TIME EITHER. SHE SAID HER HEADLIGHTS WERE PUSHING SNOW THE FIRST TIME; IT NEEDS TO BE TAKEN CARE OF. SHIRLEY ASKED ABOUT SNOW FENCE, VAUGHN SAID THEY DID IT ONE TIME, BUT TWP PLOWS ARE GOOD ENOUGH TO DO THE JOB; THE TWP WAS DOWN A GUY, AND HE APOLOGIZED—SHE CAN CALL HIS NUMBER ANYTIME. SHE CAN CALL PAUL IT IS HIS ROUTE. SHE FIGURED THEY WOULD BE OUT EARLY TO PLOW, PAUL IS ALWAYS OUT EARLY. VAUGHN ASKED IF ANY OTHER SUPERVISORS WANTED TO SAY ANYTHING; JIM-NO; PAUL SAID HE WAS ON VACATION-SORRY. SHIRLEY WANTS SOMETHING DONE TO THAT ROAD, THERE HAS TO A PROTOCOL ON WHEN THE ROADS GETS DONE. IF THEIR ROAD IS ONE OF THE WORST RDS—SHE WOULD LIKE IT TO BE MOVED UP TO ABOUT THE 1<sup>ST</sup> TO BE FIXED. SHE WOULD LIKE TO KNOW HOW THEY CHOOSE WHICH ROADS RE TO BE FIXED, IS IT THE SQUEAKY WHEEL OR DO YOU HAVE AN ORGANIZED PLAN OF CHOOSING RDS TO BE FIXED. JUS PUT THEIRS ON THE LIST TO BE FIXED. SALLY SAID HER SON WILL BE MOVING UP THERE SOON WITH 2 BABIES AND SHE WILL BE HERE. VAUGHN SAID ACCORDING TO STATE REP, TWP ONLY HAS TO MAINTAIN THE RD AT 1M MPH, BUT HE FEELS TWP DOES BETTER THAN THAT. SHIRLEY SAYS YOU HAVE TO STRADDLE OR GO BACKWARDS ON THAT RD IF YOU MEET ANYONE.

**VII. OLD BUSINESS: NONE**

**VIII. NEW BUSINESS: 1. ERN HENDERSON** GOING TO EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT MEETING JAN. 15. **2. SOLICITOR** SAID TCSA WOULD LIKE THE TWP TO ADDRESS THE VACANCY ON THEIR BOARD AT LAST NIGHT'S MEETING, THEY COULD NOT HAVE A MEETING DUE TO LACK OF QUORUM, FROM FFTWP AND OTHER MUNICIPALITIES. PAUL SAID TWP HAS 1 VACANCY THAT WE KNOW OF ON THE TCSA THAT SERVICES WEST BOLIVAR, BOLIVAR & ROBINSON. PAUL SAID ANY TWP RESIDENT CAN DO IT. SALLY SAXTON SAID WEST BOLIVAR RESIDENT SHOULD DO IT, THE PEOPLE OUT HERE DON'T HAVE AN ADVANTAGE TO IT. PAUL SAID IT IS A PUBLIC SERVICE, THERE IS NO PAY. SECRETARY SAID IT WAS RESIDENTS FROM WEST BOLIVAR, BUT IT IS HARD TO KEEP SOMEONE ON THE BOARD DUE TO ANIMOSITY AMONG BOARD MEMBERS. SECRETARY ASKED IF SHE IS CONSISTENT IN SENDING LETTERS TO OTHER TWPS THAT HAVE REPRESENTATIVES THAT DON'T SHOW UP. SOLICITOR SAID THAT LATELY IT IS FFTWP'S THAT HAVE MISSED 3 OR MORE IN A ROW.

**IX: PUBLIC COMMENT: 1. MAUREEN BLON 2. TOM BLON**-ASKED IF ANYONE APPROACHED THE TWP ON AGENDA 21. THEY TRY TO GET COMMUNITIES TO GET TOGETHER TO MAKE RULES/REGUALTIONS SO TWPS DON'T HAVE TO VOTE ON THEM. TRYING T GET IT ENFORCED IN THIS AREA. IT IS A UNITED NATIONS GROUP. **3. LIBBY HUGHES-PATTERSON** RD PLOWED GOOD, EXCEPT FOR THE SLUSH ON THE RD. WHEN TWP PLOWS CAN THEY PLOW THE PULL OFFS. JIM SAID THE SUMMER EMPLOYEE DID IT THIS TIME, AND JIM USUALLY DOES PLOW THE 3 PULL OFFS. RIGHT ABOVE BEAR POND NEEDS DUG OUT THE WATER IS RUNNING DOWN THE ROAD.**4. ERN MATSON 5. MARISA HENDERSON 6. LAURA HENDERSON 7. LEO ALTIMUS 8. DAN BRENDLINGER 9. ERN HENDERSON**-HE IS NOT EMC—HE REPRESENTS MIKE BARTLEY WHEN HE CAN NOT ATTEND THE MEETINGS. **10. MITCHELL BROWN 11. PAULA BROWN 12. SHIRLEY LAMANTIA 13 SALLY SAXTON 14. ALICE WHITE-ECHO REPORTER** LIBBY ASKED ABOUT WAGES WERE NOW FOR THE SUPERVISORS? VAUGHN SAID RIGHT NOW \$16.30 RIGHT NOW. PAUL SAID CURRENT WAGES WERE TABLED BY AUDITORS. LIBBY ASKED WHY, PAUL SAID NO, THEY WOULD HAVE TO ASK AUDITORS. SALLY ASKED IF TWP FOUND A 3<sup>RD</sup> AUDITOR YET. VAUGHN SAID NO, THEY ARE LOOKING FOR SOMEONE, AS OF NOW THERE IS A VACANCY. ALICE WHITE ASKED WHAT DOES IT MEAN? WILL THEIR PAY GO BACK RETROACTIVE TO THE 1<sup>ST</sup> OF THE YEAR. PAUL SAID THEY NEED MORE INFORMATION. VAUGHN SAID SUPV. SET SECTARY AND PART TIME EMPLOYEES PAY, AUDITORS SET THE ROAD MASTER WAGES. VAUGHN SAID THE 3 ARE ROAD MASTERS. SECRETARY STATED THEY ARE ELECTED SUPERVISORS AT THE MEETING, AND ROAD MASTERS WHEN WORKING ON ROADS, ETC. ALICE ASKED IF THEY WERE GOING TO THE STATE CONV. ALICE SAID ST. CLAIR APPLIES FOR GRANTS TO GET ROAD WORK DONE. VAUGHN SAID TWP RECEIVED A LOT OF MONEY LAST YEAR FOR DIRT/GRAVEL ROADS. SOLICITOR SAID THE CDBG FOR GRAVEYARD HILL. SECRETARY SID IT WAS A MAIN ROAD WHEN STANTON BRIDGE WAS CLOSED. TWP RAN OUT OF MONEY AND GRAVE YARD IS STILL WAITING TO BE PAVED. ERN HENDERSON BROUGHT ATTENTION TO THE MEETINGS PRINTED ON THE BACK, THERE ARE 2 EXCEPTIONS THIS YEAR ON THE MEETING DATES.

**X. ADJOURNMENT: MOTION BY JIM, 2<sup>ND</sup> BY PAUL, UNAN-YES(3) Time: 7:40 PM**

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