



FAIRFIELD TOWNSHIP REGULAR MEETING HELD ON JULY 12, 2012



I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:07 PM BY VAUGHN TANTLINGER, CHAIRMAN

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

III. PREVIOUS MONTHS MEETING JUNE 14, 2012: APPR BY VAUGHN; 2ND BY PAUL, UN-YES(3)

IV. TRUE BILLS PAID AND TO BE PAID ON FINANCIAL STATEMENT DATED MAY 2012. MAYS FINANCIAL STATEMENT WAS TABLED LAST MONTH DUE TO THE MEDICAL LEAVE OF THE SECRETARY. APPR BY JIM, 2ND BY VAUGHN, UN—YES(3) **TRUE BILLS PAID AND TO BE PAID ON FINANCIAL STATEMENT DATED JUNE 2012.** APPR BY VAUGHN; 2ND BY PAUL, UN-YES(3)

V. CORRESPONDENCE: NONE

VI. PERSONS PLACED ON AGENDA: 1. JENNY GOURLEY FROM DERRY RIDGE ROAD. UPDATE ON AFTER SITUATION. 1 1ND 1/2 YRS AGO SHE STARTED LOOSING FEELING IN HANDS, FEET, LIPS, TONGUE—SYMPTOMS GOT WORSE SLURRING WORDS, STUMBLING. THE NELSON WELLS WERE ACTIVE THEN AND THEY NOTICED INTERMITTENCE BLACK WATER FROM THEIR WELL. SHE HAD A SAMPLE. DEP TESTED AND SAID WATER WAS OKAY. SHE HAD TOXICOLOGY TESTS DONE AND SHE TESTED POSITIVE FOR ALUMINUM, CADMIUM, MERCURY, ARSENIC, URANIUM. THEY QUIT DRINKING THEIR WATER AND HAUL IT IN. SHE HAS BEGUN TREATMENTS AND HAS BEGUN TO FEEL BETTER. SRM LABS TESTED AND SAID IT TESTED HIGH FOR GAS WELL CONTAMINATION. THEIR WATER WELL IS 4000 FT FROM THE NELSON GAS WELL. THEY NEVER EXPECTED ANY PROBLEMS. THEY HAVE BEEN CONTACTED BY RESEARCH GROUPS INVESTIGATING THE AFFECT OF GAS WELLS ON LIVESTOCK—THEY LOST A GOAT IN DEC. 2011 WITH NEUROLOGICAL PROBLEMS. CORNELL GROUP COMING OUT FOR RESEARCH. THEY WOULD LIKE ANYONE WHO SUSPECTS CONTAMINATION THAT THEY THINK HAS DAMAGED THEIR LIVESTOCK OR PETS TO CONTACT THEM. DUQUESNE ALSO DOING RESEARCH ON SPRINGS. THEY WOULD LIKE ANYONE WHO SUSPECTS CONTAMINATION THAT THEY THINK HAS DAMAGED THEIR LIVESTOCK OR PETS TO CONTACT THEM. JENNY GAVE TWP PHONE NUMBERS FOR ON FILE HERE. THEY ARE TESTING SOIL. SHE WAS CONTACTED BY AN ATTORNEY THAT REPRESENTS PEOPLE WITH GAS WELL COMPLAINTS—CHARLIE SPEERS AT 866-472-3560 EXT 30. HE WILL BE IN THE AREA IN AUGUST. PAUL TOLD JENNY TO CHECK DEP WEBSITE TO SEE WHERE THE DRILLING DIRECTIONS. HER WATER TESTED HIGH IN CONDUCTIVITY WHICH MEANS HIGH SALT CONTENT OR METALS. BOB GOURLEY SAID ATTORNEY WILL TALK TO ANYONE. XTO TOLD THEM THEY WOULD TAKE THEIR GAS WHETHER THEY SIGN OR NOT. IF YOU GET YOUR WATER TESTED, SOMEONE HAS TO COME OUT AND TAKE THE SAMPLE, DO NOT WASTE YOUR TIME TAKING A SAMPLE IN.

VII. OLD BUSINESS: 1. **INTERMUNICIPAL AGREEMENT LTMA –WATER LINE PROJECT ON 271 TAKING WATER TO LIGONIER TWP.** BRINGING WATER FROM JOHNSTOWN TO LIGONIER BOROUGH IN A 16 INCH LINE. TWP HAS MAPS. **SOLICITOR** EXPLAINED THE AGREEMENT FOR CONSIDERATION IN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING TWP TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH LTMA TO PROVIDE WATER SERVICE TO SOME RESIDENTS ON TURKEY INN, RUDDER RD, IN THAT AREA. THE AGREEMENT HAS GONE BACK AND FORTH. NO ARGUMENT WITH PUBLIC AT THIS POINT, HE ASKS SUPERVISORS TO TAKE ACTION TO APPROVE THE ORDINANCE FOR ADVERTISING IN ANTICIPATION OF PASSING AT THE AUGUST MEETING. VAUGHN SAID TWP BEEN WORKING ON IT SINCE LAST YEAR. COPY OF PROPOSED ORDINANCE AND INTERMUNICIPAL AGREEMENT FOR REVIEW. VAUGHN OPENED FOR DISCUSSION. SOLICITOR SAID ONLY APPROVING TO ADVERTISE, NOT APPROVING THE ORDINANCE. PUBLIC COMMENTS. **KEN FRISK** WANTED THE UPDATE WHERE IT STANDS. PAUL SAID EADS GROUP-ENGINEERING FIRE FOR LTMA HAS A DEADLINE OF AUG 22ND TO SUBMIT ITS PLAN TO PENN VEST FOR FUNDING. THEY NEED TO HAVE INFO IF TWP IS INTERESTED. FRISK SAID THE PROJECT IS CONTINUING TO LIGONIER BOROUGH. SOLICITOR SAID PROJECT IS NO WHERE AT THIS TIME, IT HAS BEEN ENGINEERED TO HAVE IDEA ON WHERE LINES WILL BE INSTALLED AND PROJECTED COST. AS FAR AS THEM DOING ANYTHING TO START THE ACTUAL PROJECT, THEY WILL NOT UNTIL THEY HAVE APPROVAL FROM PEN VEST FOR THE LOAN. VAUGHN SAID HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH THE MAIN LINE. **RUSS FENTON** ASKED ABOUT FIRE HYDRANTS. PAUL SAID AS FAR AS THE LIGONIER PROPOSED EXPANSION AREA, THERE IS A PARAMETER IN THERE FOR HYDRANTS ON CANTERBURY, TURKEY INN, RUDDER RD. **SECRETARY EMMA BRENDLINGER** STATED SHE WAS AGAINST THIS PROJECT. IT DOES NOT SAY ANYWHERE IN THE AGREEMENTS OR ORDINANCE WHAT THE TWP IS COSIGNING FOR. IT WAS ESTIMATED AT EITHER \$2 OR \$3 MILLION THAT THE TWP HAS TO GUARANTEE. I FEEL THAT IS A LARGE AMOUNT OF MONEY FOR SUCH A SMALL AREA. THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL MUNICIPAL AGREEMENT—WHEN LOOKING AT IT, SHE ASKED VAUGHN IF THEY WERE NOT DOING WATER CONNECTIONS OFF 271—THEY WILL DO THE CONNECTIONS IF THEY ARE APPROACHED. SECRETARY SAID IT IS ON THE MUNICIPAL AGREEMENT; THEY SAID RTE 271, ROSS MT PARK RD, RUDDER ROAD, TURKEY INN RD, STRATFORD RD, OLD RTE 271, CANTERBURY RD, ESSEX LANE, KUHN'S LANE. VAUGHN SAID IN THE PROXIMITY OF 271. WHICH THERE ARE SOME HOUSES IN THAT AREA. EMMA ASKED THEN WHEN TWP SIGNS THE AGREEMENT, TWP IS GIVING LTMA PERMISSION TO PROVIDE WATER SERVICE TO THAT AREA. EMMA ANNOUNCED THAT LTMA WAS APPROACHED BY THIS BOARD TO LET A FFTWP RESIDENT SERVE ON THE LTMA BOARD AND THEY REFUSED. EMMA FEELS FFTWP SHOULD HAVE REPRESENTATION TOO, IT THEY ARE COMING INTO OUR TWP WITH THIS AGREEMENT TO DO WHAT THEY WANT IN THAT PROJECT AREA, THE TWP GIVES UP RIGHTS OF WHAT TO DO. EMMA FEELS IT IS OUR TAX DOLLARS, OUR RESIDENTS, OUR TWP, THEN FAIRFIELD SHOULD ALSO HAVE A SAY ON THEIR BOARD. \$2 MILLION IS A LARGE AMOUNT OF MONEY AT THIS TIME, TWP CAN NOT AFFORD COULD HAVE TO RAISE TAXES IF SOMETHING CAUSED LTMA TO DEFAULT ON THE PEN VEST LOAN, IT WOULD NOT BE FAIR TO MAKE THE ONES TAP IN THAT DOES NOT WANT THE PUBLIC WATER. PEOPLE IN THE PAST BROUGHT UP ABOUT TWP GUARANTEEING THE TRI COMMUNITY SEWER LOAN; UNFORTUNATELY I WAS ONE OF THE VICTIMS IN THAT PROJECT. BUT THE BOARD AT THAT TIME APPROACHED DEP ABOUT PUBLIC SEWAGE IN THE WEST BOLIVAR AREA, THE CITIZENS DID NOT WANT IT, THE BOARD THEN TRIED TO BACK OUT OF IT, BUT IT WAS TOO LATE—DEP WAS INVOLVED AND TOLD FFTWP WOULD HAVE BEEN FINED SOMETHING LIKE \$10,000/DAY BECAUSE THEY HAD FOUND SO MANY MALFUNCTIONING SEWAGE SYSTEMS. EMMA SAID FOR LAST 2 YRS THE SCHOOL BOARD HAS RAISED TAXES 4 MILLS LAST YR AND 2 MILLS THIS YEAR. IT PUTS A HURT ON THE TWP, PEOPLE BUY HOMES HERE, NOT AS RESIDENTIAL WHERE WE WOULD GET THEIR EIT TAX ALSO; WE ONLY GET THE REAL ESTATE TAX. WE ALSO HAVE MANY ACRES THAT DO NOT PAY ANY TYPE OF R E TAX, SUCH AS ANTIOCHIAN VILLAGE, BOY SCOUT CAMP, GIRL SCOUT CLUBS; ANTIOCHIAN DOES EMPLOY PEOPLE, BUT THEY ALSO KEEP BUYING UP SURROUNDING HOMES AND FARMS AND THAT TAXABLE PROPERTY THEN BECOMES NON TAXABLE. DUE TO OUR LOW BUDGET, THE SUPERVISORS CHANGED THEIR HEALTH INSURANCE PLAN. EMMA REQUESTED TWP TABLE THIS BECAUSE SHE HAS PERSONALLY TALKED TO PEOPLE REGARDING THIS AND THEY CAN NOT ATTEND THIS MEETING, HAD OTHER COMMITMENTS—I KNOW THIS WOULD INCREASE THE VALUE OF THE PROPERTY OF THE PEOPLE BENEFITTING BY THIS PROJECT, BUT I ALSO KNOW THAT WHEN THEY BUILT THEIR HOMES THERE—THEY KNEW THERE WAS NO PUBLIC WATER AVAILABLE. EMMA FEELS \$2 MILLION IS TOO MUCH; TWP DOES NOT EVEN HAVE THAT MUCH IN PROPERTY OR IN THE BUDGET. EMMA FEELS IT SHOULD BE TABLED UNTIL MORE INFORMATION COULD BE ACQUIRED THE EXACT AMOUNT OF PEN VEST LOAN, SOME CHANGES IN THE AGREEMENT – SOMEONE FROM FFTWP

SHOULD BE ON THE LTMA WATER AUTHORITY. THE TCSA HAS REPRESENTATION FROM EACH MUNICIPALITY IT SERVES. DOES NOT UNDERSTAND WHY LTMA DOES NOT WANT FFTWP REP ON THE BOARD, IF THEY WANT YOUR BUSINESS, THEY SHOULD ALSO LET FFTWP BE REPRESENTED. **KEN FRISK** ASKED IF THE PROJECT AREA ONLY IN THEIR SMALL AREA? PAUL SAID YES THAT IS THE PROJECT AREA. **KEN** SAID THERE ARE PEOPLE THERE RUNNING OUT OF WATER. HIS WATER IS GETTING PRETTY UGLY AND DOES NOT KNOW IF IT IS FROM THE GAS WELLS. **KEN** ALSO WANTED TO ASK IF THE \$2 MILLION WOULD HAVE TO BE PAID BY THE OTHER TAXPAYERS IN OUR TWP. SECRETARY SAID NO, ONLY IF THE PROJECT FAILS—THE TWP HAS TO GUARANTEE THE LOAN. IF SOMETHING SHOULD HAPPEN AND LTMA COULD NOT MAKE THE PAYMENTS TO PEN VEST, THEN THRU TAXES—THE WHOLE TWP WOULD HAVE TO PAY, USUALLY BY A TAX INCREASE. **KEN** SAID HE WANTS WATER, IF LTMA DOES NOT GET THE LOAN—CAN HE PERSONALLY GET WATER TO HIS HOUSE, OR A GROUP OF PEOPLE GET IT. THERE ARE SOME THAT DO NOT WANT THE WATER. **KEN** SAID IF THE FUNDING IS NOT THERE, THEN THEY WILL NOT BRING THE LINES BACK. PAUL AND VAUGHN SAID YES. EMMA STATED THAT LIGONIER BOR. NEEDS WATER SO THEY ARE TRYING TO PICKUP CUSTOMERS ALONG THE WAY, IF THEY DID NOT NEED WATER, THEY WOULD NOT EVEN WORRY ABOUT IT. VAUGHN SAID LTMA APPROACHED FFTWP BECAUSE A LOT OF PEOPLE IN THAT AREA ASKED FOR PUBIC WATER. TWP HAS TAKEN A VOTE TO PURSUE IT TO THIS POINT, NOW TWP IS ONLY ACTING ON ADVERTISING THE ORDINANCE FOR AUGUST MEETING TO VOTE ON IT. VAUGHN SAID THIS IS TO SHOW EADS AND PEN VEST FUNDING THAT THE TWP IS ON BOARD. SOLICITOR HEARD THAT BEN FAAS SAID THAT LIGONIER TWP IS NOW ON BOARD, LIGONIER TWP GAVE LTMA CERTAIN GOALS—THEY SENT SURVEYS OUT TO RESIDENTS AND IF THEY GOT A CERTAIN PERCENTAGE OF YES VOTES, THEY WOULD AGREE TO THE WATER PROJECT. SECRETARY ASKED IF THAT WOULD INCREASE THE MONEY BORROWED FROM PEN VEST FROM \$2 MILLION TO ? SECRETARY SAID SHE THOUGHT IT COULD GO UP TO \$3 MILLION AND EXTENSIONS COULD DOUBLE IN COST. PAUL TALKED WITH THE EADS GROUP REP, AND HIS PROJECTED BORROWING WOULD BE AROUND \$3,000,050. PAUL SAID THE LOAN WOULD BE IN LTMA NAME, BUT THE 2 TWPS BEING RESPONSIBLE IF THEY FAIL TO MAKE THE PAYMENTS. VAUGHN SAID IF LIGONIER TWP FAILS, THEIR PAYMENT GOES BACK TO WESTMORELAND WATER—SOLICITOR SAID NO AND SO DID PAUL. SOLICITOR SAID IF LTMA FAILS TO PAY, THE PROJECT IS TO BE SELF FUNDING; RESIDENT WILL PAY LTMA A TAP IN FEE AND PAY FOR PIPE INSTALLATION FROM TAP TO HOUSE, AND PAY A MONTHLY FEE. SOLICITOR SAID THAT IS THE 1ST SAFETY VALVE TO PAY THE DEBT, LTMA LIABILITY OVER THE ENTIRE SERVICE AREA, BEYOND THAT IF LTMA SHOULD FAIL—THE TWPS GUARANTEE THE DEBT, IT IS JUST LIKE CO-SIGNING A LOAN FOR SOMEONE. IN SOME INSTANCES, IF LTMA SHOULD FAIL FOR SOME REASON, IT IS NOT UNCOMMON FOR SMALL ENTITIES LIKE THEM TO BE TAKEN OVER BY A LARGER ONE. AN EXAMPLE WAS LIGONIER BOROUGH MUNICIPAL AUTH. BEING TAKEN OVER BY WESTMORELAND MUN. AUTH. SOLICITOR TOLD SUPERVISORS THE IMMEDIATE IMPACT OF THIS DEBT AFFECTS THE BORROWING BASE FOR THE TWP. IN ORDER TO GUARANTEE THE LOAN, TWP HAD TO DO SOME CALCULATIONS THAT LIMIT ANYTHING ELSE THE TWP CAN DO IF THERE IS A RATHER LARGE PROJECTS THE TWP NEEDS TO BORROW—WE WEILL BE LIMITED BECAUSE THIS DEBT WILL BE ON OUR BOOKS. PAUL SAID AS WAS THE SEWAGE FOR 10 YRS. SOLICITOR SAID 20 YRS. ECHO REPORTER ASKED IF THE GUARANTEE FALLS EVENLY ON TWO TWPS? SOLICITOR DOES NOT KNOW AT THIS POINT, HOWEVER THIS PROJECT IS WEIGHTED MORE HEAVILY TO FFTWP AND HE EXPECTS THE GUARANTEES WILL BE A PERCENTAGE. REPORTER ASKED IF THEY ARE FRACKING ON RUDDER ROAD. VAUGHN SAID NO. **JIM STIFFLER, JR.** SAID HE FEELS THIS IS PRIME OPPORTUNITY FOR FFTWP TO PROGRESS. THIS TWP NEEDS TO PROGRESS TO STAY ALIVE. AS A PARAMEDIC AND FIREMAN IN THIS TWP HE LOOKS AT 2 DIFFERENT THINGS IN BRINGING WATER INTO THE TWP—HEALTH IF GOURLEYS HAD CITY WATER IT MAY NOT HAVE HAPPENED TO HER, IF IT DID—THEN YOU WOULD HAVE MORE OF A LIABILITY THE WATER AUTHORITY WOULD BE 100% LIABLE FOR THAT WATER. IT WOULD BE A HUGE BENEFIT AS WATER PROGRESSES INTO THE TWP BY BRINGING THE 16 INCH LINE IN, WILL HELP WITH FIRE FIGHTING, REDUCE FIRE INSURANCES WITH PROPER AMOUNT OF FIRE HYDRANTS IN THE TWP. THERE WILL BE TAP IN FEES AND INSTALLATION FEES, AND MONTHLY CHARGES. LOOK AT BOTH ASPECTS, REDUCE FIRE INS. HE WOULD HATE TO SEE FFTWP MISS OUT ON THIS. PAUL SAID LTMA IS ALREADY IN FFTWP SERVING PEOPLE. THE OUTSIDE IN SCHOOL, AND 3 OR 4 HOMES IN THAT AREA. PAUL MADE A MOTION TO ADVERTISE THE LTMA INTERMUNICIPAL AGREEMENT AND ORD #1-2012 FOR THE REGULAR MEETING IN AUGUST 2012, 2ND BY VAUGHN, UNAN-YES(3)

ORDINANCE #1 OF 2012—THE ORDINANCE OF FAIRFIELD TOWNSHIP DIRECTING AND REQUIRING THE CONNECTION OF ALL OCCUPIED STRUCTURES WITHIN FAIRFIELD TOWNSHIP WITHIN ONE HUNDRED FIFTY (150) FEET OF THE LIGONIER TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY WATER SUPPLY SYSTEM; DIRECTING AND REQUIRING ALL ABANDONMENT OF ALL PRIVATE WELLS AND OTHER SOURCES OF WATER FOR HUMAN CONSUMPTION ON SUCH PREMISES; PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT OF CHARGES THEREFORE AND PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION THEREOF. GUARANTEE AMOUNT FFTWP WOULD HAVE TO CO-SIGN FOR A LOAN IS \$3,000,050 **3. MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY OF WESTMORELAND COUNTY AGREEMENT** – FIRE HYDRANTS FOR ON 271 IN AMOUNT OF \$12,985.00 (\$1855 PER HYDRANT-7) THEN ANNUAL SUM OF \$50 PER HYDRANT FOR INSPECTION, MAINTENANCE, OR REPAIR OF SAID HYDRANTS. VAUGHN SAID IN DEALING WITH THAT WATER PROJECT, TWP WAS APPROACHED BY FIRE CHIEF ON FIRE HYDRANTS ON 271. THE 16" WATER LINES, IF TWP ENTERS INTO AGREEMENT WITH MAWC—TO PLACE 7 FIRE HYDRANTS ON 271. VAUGHN SAID THEY HAVE DISCUSSED IT AND APPROACHED MAWC. VAUGHN, FIRE CHIEF, GIBSON THOMAS WENT OVER THEM AND MARKED THEM. THE FIRE CHIEF, ASSISTANT CHIEF AND OTHERS FEEL THEY ARE APPROPRIATE LOCATIONS FOR HYDRANTS. THE COST AT THIS TIME WILL BE \$1855 PER HYDRANT/TOTAL OF \$12,985. IF TWP DOES NOT GO INTO AGREEMENT NOW IT WILL COST 2 TIMES AS MUCH TO TAP INTO A LIVE WATERLINE. SUPERVISORS HAVE DISCUSSED IT, APPROACHED MAWC, THEY BROKE IT UP SO TWP CAN MAKE 3 PAYMENTS; \$5000 ON OR BEFORE 9/1/2012; \$4000 ON OR BEFORE 3/31/2013; AND \$3985 OR BEFORE 3/31/2014. THEN THE FIRE HYDRANTS ARE OWNED BY MAWC, BUT THE TWP PAYS A FEE OF \$50 PER HYDRANT PER YEAR FOR MAINTENANCE--\$350 A YEAR TWP PAYS. VAUGHN ASKED FOR DISCUSSION. SECRETARY STATED SHE WAS NOT IN FAVOR OF THE 7 FIRE HYDRANTS UNLESS THE TWP ASSESSES THE PEOPLE THAT BENEFIT FROM THEM. SECRETARY DUG INFORMATION THAT PAST PRACTICE OF THE PREVIOUS BOARDS WERE NOT IN FAVOR OF FIRE HYDRANTS UNLESS THE TAXPAYERS BENEFITTING WERE ASSESSED FOR THE HYDRANTS. SECRETARY IS NOT AGAINST TWP PAYING THE MAINTENANCE FEE, BUT THE INSTALLATION IS RATHER HIGH. THE TWP DID NOT PAY FOR FIRE HYDRANTS IN BOLIVAR OR LOCKPORT AND THERE WERE PETTIONS FOR HYDRANTS AND I HAVE COPIES OF THE MINUTES WITH THE BOARDS ANSWERS—AGAIN ONLY IF THOSE BENEFITTING WERE TAXED. SECRETARY IS ALL FOR FIRE PROTECTION, BUT FEELS THE TWP IS NOT FINANCIALLY STABLE TO DO ALL THESE TYPES OF THINGS. IT IS A LOT OF MONEY AND SHE FEELS IT NEEDS TO BE PUT IN TWP ROADS AND BRIDGES. THE FIRE TRUCKS HAVE HUGE TANKS AND THERE ARE SOME FIRE HYDRANTS, BUT AGAIN DOES NOT FEEL THAT ALL THE RESIDENTS SHOULD HAVE TO PICK UP THE TAB. PAUL ASKED WHO PAID FOR THE LAST FIRE HYDRANTS IN FFTWP. SECRETARY SAID SHE DOES NOT REMEMBER THE TWP ENTERING ANY AGREEMENTS FOR PAYING FOR THEM, SHE THOUGHT THE CHURCH OF CHRIST PAID FOR THE ONE THERE, AND DOES NOT KNOW HOW THE ONE IN LOCKPORT WAS PAID FOR. SHE REMEMBERS JOE HOWE AND EARL KILLEN REQUESTING FIRE HYDRANTS, BUT WERE NOT APPROVED IN THE MINUTES BY THAT CURRENT BOARD. SECRETARY REMEMBERS THERE WAS A FIRE IN LOCKPORT AND FIRE TRUCKS COULD NOT GET THRU THE UNDERPASS AND HAD TO LAY LINES ACROSS RR TRACKS AND WORRY ABOUT TRAINS COMING. REPORTER ASKED HOW WHAT IS MAWC IS THERE WAY OF PASSING ON THE COSTS. PAUL SAID DIFFERENT WAYS ACCORDING TO THE 2ND CLASS TWP CODE, IT CAN EITHER BE TAX BASE FUNDED OR ASSESSED FUNDED. VAUGHN SAID THIS IS WHAT WAS PROPOSED TO FFTWP AT THIS TIME. SECRETARY ALSO ASKED THE BOARD NOT TO ACT ON THIS TONIGHT, TWP JUST RECEIVED THE INFORMATION A FEW DAYS PRIOR TO THE MTG, AND NOT ENOUGH RESIDENTS KNOW ABOUT IT TO RESPOND. PAUL

SAID HAVE BEEN WORKING ON FOR ABOUT A MONTH. SECRETARY SAID BUT SHE MEANS THE ACTUAL AGREEMENT WITH THE FEES TO TAXPAYERS. ALSO IN THE LTMA AGREEMENT—WHO IS PAYING FOR THE FIRE HYDRANTS? AND MAINTENANCE FEE? WHAT IS IT? SOLICITOR UNDERSTOOD LTMA IS PAYING FOR THEM, AND THERE WOULD BE NO MAINTENANCE FEE BECAUSE ALL THEY ARE DOING IS USING FFTWP LINES. SECRETARY DOES NOT UNDERSTAND WHY WESTMORELAND WANTS SO MUCH. JEFF SAID THE TWPS SHARE IS \$1855 PER HYDRANT, AND \$50 WOULD TAKE A LONG TIME TO RECOUP THAT AMOUNT. SOLICITOR SAID IT IS NOT THE USEFUL LIFE OF THE HYDRANT. SECRETARY SAID SHE STILL IS IN FAVOR OF ASSESSING THE TAXPAYERS BENEFITING. PAUL ASKED JIM STIFFLER ABOUT THE DISTANCE FOR A FIRE HYDRANT ONCE IT IS CONNECTED. JIM STIFFLER SAID AS LONG AS YOU WANT. THEY GO TO CLOSEST HYDRANT AND PUT A TRUCK THERE, LAY THE LINE, AND SET UP A FIRE TRUCK EVERY 1000 FT. HE ALREADY HAS HAD 1 MILE OF HOSE COMING OFF A HYDRANT PRODUCING 700 TO 1000 GALLON OF WATER PER MINUTE, CAN NOT DO WITH TANKERS. HAD 14 TANKERS AT A FIRE THERE AND COULD NOT KEEP UP WITH THE FIRE, ALSO TOOK WATER FROM CRICK. NOW YOU ARE LOOKING AT ADDITIONAL WATER SOURCES. BETTER OPPORTUNITY TO SAVE LIVES, ONE HYDRANT CAN ASSIST PEOPLE 1000 FT AWAY. STIFFLER SAID MONEY IS TIGHT, BUT THIS IS THE BEST TIME TO INSTALL THESE HYDRANTS IN PLACE. IT IS FOR THE FUTURE OF THIS TWP. VAUGHN SAID HE DOES UNDERSTAND SECRETARY'S OPINION, BUT HE SAID IT IS A COST AND TWP BUDGET IS VERY TIGHT; HE SAID IT DOES NOT BENEFIT HIM, BUT HE FEELS IT IS BEST FOR TWP AT THIS TIME; PAUL AGREED, JIM FEELS 7 IS EXCESSIVE. VAUGHN LOOKED AT WITH THE CHIEF, THEY ARE SPREAD OUT—VAUGHN SAID 7 IS A LOT, KEVIN-FIRE CHIEF FELT THEY DID A GOOD JOB WITH THE DISTANCE BETWEEN THE HYDRANTS. SOLICITOR SAID THE AGREEMENT WAS SENT TO MARK SHAFFER—MAWC; TWP DOES NOT HAVE APPROVAL FROM THEM YET. BUT THE TWP CAN APPROVE IT AS IT IS AT THIS MEETING. PAUL SAID THIS SHOULD BE CONTINGENT UPON MAWC APPROVAL. PAUL MADE MOTION TO GO INTO AGREEMENT WITH MAWC CONCERNING FIRE HYDRANTS CONCERNING FIRE HYDRANTS ON 271 AS PRESENTED; 2ND BY VAUGHN, UNAN-YES(3)

VIII. NEW BUSINESS: 1. VAUGHN--**BOND RELEASES** FOR XTO CAULFIELD RD-\$3000/BAILEYS-\$7800/ STEWART ROAD-\$12,500/ BRIDGES \$3600/ FIRE TOWER \$4800/ PLUMMER \$5000-CASH. THEY HAVE PRETTY MUCH PULLED OUT OF OUR AREA AND SENT TWP A LETTER REQUESTING RELEASES. VAUGHN SAID JIM AND HE LOOKED AT THE ROADS THEY WERE ON AND XTO PUT A SUBSTANTIAL AMOUNT OF MONEY INTO THEM—MORE THAN THE TWP WOULD HAVE AS FAR AS GRAVEL, ASPHALT, DSA, VAUGHN MADE A MOTION TO RELEASE THE XTO BONDS CAULFIELD RD-\$3000/BAILEYS-\$7800/ STEWART ROAD-\$12,500/ BRIDGES \$3600/ FIRE TOWER \$4800/ PLUMMER \$5000-CASH; 2ND BY JIM, UNAN-YES(3) 2. **BOND RELEASE** FOR BWP FOR RUDDER RD & TURKEY INN RD IN AMOUNT OF \$8750, SMALL LOGGING JOB AND TWP FILMED THE ROAD AND VAUGHN SAID HE DID NOT SEE ANY REASON WHY TWP CAN NOT RELEASE BWP BOND AT THIS TIME; MOT BY VAUGHN, 2ND BY JIM; TO RELEASE BWP BOND FOR RUDDER AND TURKEY INN ROAD; UNAN-YES(2-JIM & VAUGHN) PAUL ABSTAINED BECAUSE HE WAS NOT ABLE TO DO EITHER RD. 3. **RES. #4-2012 SMALL BORROWING** FOR CAPITAL PURCHASE OF THE MF TRACTOR MOWER. SOLICITOR SAID TWP APPROVED AT LAST MONTHS MEETING, SO ALL THEY NEED TO DO IS APPROVE THE RES. MOTION BY PAUL TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #4-2012 FOR MF TRACTOR, VAUGHN 2ND, UNAN-YES(3) 5. **RES#5-2012- DISPOSITION RESOLUTION** FOR DESTRUCTION OF SPECIFIC RECORDS. SECRETARY STATED A FEW YRS AGO TWP HAD TO ADOPT A NEW MUNICIPAL RECORDS RETENTION AND SECRETARY DID A LOT OF RESEARCH AND IN ORDER TO TWP TO DESTROY RECORDS, WE HAVE TO DO A RESOLUTION EACH TIME OF THE RECORDS TWP IS PERMITTED TO DESTROY. RES. #5 INCLUDES RECORDS THE TWP IS PERMITTED TO DESTROY –RECORD TITLE, RECORDS # ACCORDING TO THE RETENTION SCHEDULE, AND DATE DESTROYING. PAUL ASKED SOLICITOR IF TWP HAS TO PROVE HOW THE RECORDS WERE DESTROYED. SOLICITOR STATED HE DOES NOT SEE WHERE IT SAYS YOU HAVE TO PROVE HOW YOU DISPOSED OF THEM, BUT THERE IS A CERTAIN RESPONSIBILITY BECAUSE THESE RECORDS HAVE PERSONAL INFORMATION—THEY HAVE TO BE DESTROYED IN MANNER THAT THEY DO NOT END UP IN THE PUBLIC. VAUGHN MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE RES #5-2012 AS PRESENTED, JIM 2ND, UNAN-YES(3) VAUGHN THANKED SECRETARY FOR DOING THAT, IT IS A LOT OF WORK INVOLVED. ECHO REPORTER ASKED ABOUT THE LOGS AT THE HIGH SCHOOL, VAUGHN SAID THEY HAVE REMOVED SOME LOGS AND ARE GETTING THEM, THIS PROJECT WAS APPROVED BY THE SCHOOL BOARD ABOUT 6 MONTHS AGO.

IX. PUBLIC COMMENT: 1. **ECHO REPORTER**-SAID ABOUT ANTIOCHIAN BEING TAX EXEMPT, BUT SHE WANTED TO KNOW ABOUT PRIVATE CLUBS. PAUL SAID ROSS MT. PAYS TAXES FOR HOMES, NOT SURE ABOUT THE JUDGE IN GENERAL 2. **MAUREEN BLON** 3. **TOM BLON** 4. **JENNIFER GOURLEY** 5. **BOB GOURLEY** 6. **KEN FRISK** 7. **RUSS FENTON**—ROAD FROM RUDDER TO TURKEY INN NEEDS BRUSH TRIMMED, CAN NOT SEE CARS COMING. VAUGHN SAID COMING DOWN RUDDER LOOKING LEFT ON TO TURKEY INN. 8. **PAULA BROWN**—NICE TO HAVE EMMA (TWP SECRETARY) BACK 9. **DAN BRENDLINGER** 10. **JIM STIFFLER**

X. ADJOURNMENT: MOTION BY JIM, 2ND BY VAUGHN, UNAN-YES(3) Time: 8:05 PM

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