



**FAIRFIELD TOWNSHIP REGULAR MEETING HELD ON SEPTEMBER 13, 2012**



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

**II. ROLL CALL:** PAUL ALTIMUS- PRESENT JAMES BROWN-PRESENT SOLICITOR-PRESENT(JWM)  
VAUGHN TANTLINGER- PRESENT SECRETARY- PRESENT(EJB) CITIZENS-9

**III. PREVIOUS MONTHS MTG HELD ON AUGUST 9, 2012: APPR BY PAUL, 2ND BY VAUGHN , UNAN-YES(3)**

**IV. TRUE BILLS PAID AND TO BE PAID ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT DATED AUGUST 2012: APPR BY JIM, 2ND BY VAUGHN, UNAN-YES(3)**

**V. CORRESPONDENCE:** **1. LETTER** FROM DONNA HORNER FOR THE **CUB SCOUT PACK 1123** REQUESTING A DONATION FROM THE TOWNSHIP; VAUGHN SAID LAST YEAR TWP DONATED \$50 TO THE CUB SCOUT PACK, PAUL DOES NOT HAVE A PROBLEM REPEATING, JIM SAID WOULD BE FINE. MOTION BY PAUL, 2<sup>ND</sup> BY VAUGHN TO DONATE \$50 TO CUB SCOUT PACK 1123; UN-YES(3). **2. TWP HAS A SUBDIVISION**—SAMUEL AND YVETTE SAXTON, JR. AND SEWAGE PLANNING MODULE: OUR SEO LOOKED OVER IT, NO PROBLEMS.. MOT BY PAUL TO ACCEPT THE SUBDIVISION AND SEWAGE MODULE AS PRESENTED; 2<sup>ND</sup> BY VAUGHN, UN-YES(3) **3. WITH THE ACT 13 ON MARCELLUS SHALE**, THE TWP RECEIVES PAPERWORK ON SURROUNDING MUNICIPALITIES REGARDING THEIR GAS WELLS. TWP RECEIVED FROM **KRIEBEL MINERALS-WINDY HOLLOW LLC 04,05,06. INDIANA CTY, W.WHEATFIELD** AND FROM **PENN VIEW EXPLORATION-ST.CLAIR #3 INDIANA CTY, W.WHEATFIELD** **4. GenOn** DOWNSTREAM NOTIFICATION FOR THE CONEMAUGH POWER PLANT THIS GOES TO OUR EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR, IT IS UP TO THEM TO NOTIFY US OF ANY CHEMICALS THEY HAVE ON HAND. **5. TWP RECEIVED A LETTER FROM WESTMORELAND CTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT-CHARLES ALTIMUS RESTORATION PROJECT**—BASICALLY THEY ARE CONTROLLING EROSION OF THE STREAMS BECAUSE THEY ARE GETTING WIDER. THEY ARE BUILDING V'S WITH POSTS AND STONES, THEY DO A REALLY NICE JOB. THEY HAVE ALSO DID WORK ON HYPOCRITE CREEK—PETERS PROPERTY. VAUGHN SAID THEY GET GRANT MONEY TO DO THIS. **6. TWP WAS PRESENTED A LETTER FROM CAROL & RICHARD SHEATS** REGARDING THE WATER LINE PROJECT OFF 271—THEY ARE IN FAVOR AND APPRECIATE THE PROPOSED EXTENSION OF WATER COMING INTO THEIR AREA. MR. SHEATS STATED THEY WERE OUT OF TOWN FOR THE LAST MEETING. VAUGHN SAID HE TALKED TO BEN FAAS AND IT HAS BEEN APPROVED BUT THINGS ARE MOVING ALONG SLOWLY. MR. SHEATS SAID IF IT IS NOT GOING TO HAPPEN, THEY ARE GOING TO HAVE TO POSSIBLY DRILL ANOTHER WELL. PAUL SAID IT COULD TAKE UP TO A YEAR. MR. SHEATS HAS TROUBLE LOSING HIS WATER IN DRY SPELLS. VAUGHN SAID HE ALSO ASKED FOR SUPPORT FOR FIRE HYDRANTS IN THE LETTER.. VAUGHN SAID TWP DID APPROVE FOR 7 FIRE HYDRANTS LAST MONTH ON 271. VAUGHN SAID HYDRANTS ARE IN THE PROPOSAL WITH LTMA. ECHO ASKED IF MANY PEOPLE ATTENDED LAST MONTHS MEETING. PAUL SAID ON THE MINUTES THERE WERE 20, AND NOT ALL WERE THERE ON THE WATER EXTENSION, THERE WAS THE MONTHLY LOCALS THAT COME EVERY MONTH.

**VI. PERSONS PLACED ON AGENDA: NONE**

**VII. OLD BUSINESS:** **1. VAUGHN GAVE UPDATE ON THOMAS ROAD WORK** THAT HE AND JIM WERE INVOLVED WITH. WESTMORELAND CTY CONSERVATION DID WORK ON THOMAS RD, THE FINANCIAL AID TO THAT WAS APPROX. \$20,000. THEY RAISED THE RD APPR. 3-4 FT AND HOPEFULLY IT ELIMINATES A PROBLEM THAT HE AND PAUL HAVE BEEN DEALING WITH. HE PERSONALLY THANKS THEM FOR THE WORK AND MONEY. WORKING THE REST OF THE BILLS TO PAY THE PROJECT OFF.

**VIII. NEW BUSINESS:** **1. THE MMO** WHICH IS AN ESTIMATE OF THE 2012 PAYROLL, TO GET THE ESTIMATE OF THE COST FOR 2013, WHICH IS PAID BY STATE AID. IF THERE IS A SHORTFALL FROM THE STATE, THE BALANCE COMES OUT OF THE GENERAL FUND. IT HAS TO BE ADOPTED BY THE BOARD BY THE LAST DAY OF SEPTEMBER. SECRETARY STATED THE ESTIMATE INVOICE FOR NEXT YEAR WILL BE AROUND \$11,420. AND MOST ALL OF IT IS GIVEN BY THE STATE AID, VERY LITTLE MONEY IS PAID FROM GENERAL FUND. TWP IS NOT AT THE PEAK FOR PENSION. MOTION BY JIM TO ACCEPT THE MINIMAL MUNICIPAL OBLIGATION FOR THE TWPS RETIREMENT PENSION PLAN AS PRESENTED; 2ND BY PAUL, UNAN-YES(3)

**SUPERVISORS UPDATE ON ROADWORK**—VAUGHN SAID TWP BASICALLY HAS BEEN DOING STORM WATER DAMAGE/UPDATE PIPES TO PLASTIC/TAKING SCRAP METAL PIPE TO SCRAP YARD—TWP HAS RECEIVED WELL OVER \$200.

**IX. PUBLIC COMMENT:** **1. KEN FRISK** THANKED SUPERVISORS FOR GATHERING UP THE STONE, JIM DID A NICE JOB. VAUGHN SAID TRY TO ELIMINATE IT NEXT YEAR THERE, TWP DOES NOT WANT TO DO ANYTHING RIGHT NOW BECAUSE THE PROPOSED WATER LINE PROJECT. VAUGHN SAID HAVE A PROBLEM ON RUDDER RD EVERY RAIN STORM. VAUGHN SAID TWP HAS A SWEEPER ON A MACHINE NOW. **2. ALICE WHITE**-ECHO REPORTER SAID ATTENDED ST.CLAIR TWPS MTG LAST NIGHT AND SOLICITOR JUDITH BROUGHT UP THE FACT THAT VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANIES FACING A NON RENEWAL WORKMAN'S COMP; THEREFORE PREMIUMS WERE GOING TO BE INCREASED. FORMER GOV. RENDELL SIGNED INTO LEGISLATION AND IT IS A BROAD BASE INJURY, MEANING NOT JUST BEING INJURED GOING TO A FIRE. MEANING IF THAT FIREMAN SOMETIME DOWN THE LINE HAS CANCER—IT CAN BE ADDED IN. JUDITH SAID THE ONLY COMPANY THEY MAY GET TO INSURE THEM NOW IS THE STATE WORKMAN'S. VAUGHN SAID HE HEARD IT FROM JORDAN FROM REESE OFFICE, MT. PLEASANT HAS ABOUT 5 FIRE COMPANIES AND IT WAS JUMPING TO AROUND \$130,000. FOR A SINGLE ONE, IT WILL JUMP TO AROUND \$20,000. ALICE ALSO ASKED IF TWP NEW ABOUT COSTAR THAT OFFICER MALNOSKY IN SEWARD MENTIONED. FFTWP KNOWS ABOUT IT AND USED FOR EQUIPMENT PURCHASE. SOLICITOR SAID IT WILL SHOW UP ON THE NEXT RENEWAL. VAUGHN SAID IT IS UNFUNDED MANDATES. **3. RICHARD SHEATS**-THANKED TWP FOR EXCELLENT SNOW REMOVAL FOR THE 12 YRS THEY HAVE LIVED HERE. **4. MAUREEN BLON**-VOTE BARRY SOETORO OUT OF OFFICE ALICE WHITE ASKED ABOUT THE FAIRFIELD FIRE COMPANY. VAUGHN SAID RUN OUT OF MONEY; ROSS MT CLUB JUST HAD AN AUCTION AND DONATED AROUND \$5500 TO THE FIRE COMPANY. ALICE SAID THEY ARE HOUSING THE TRUCKS. ASKED IF THEY CAN MAKE CALLS, VAUGHN SAID YES. ALICE ASKED IF THAT WAS NOT PUT INTO A BUDGET EARLIER. **5. ERN HENDERSON** **6. LEO ALTIMUS** **7. TOM BLON** **8. LEO ALTIMUS** **9. PAULA BROWN**

**X. ADJOURNMENT: MOTION BY JIM , 2<sup>ND</sup> BY VAUGHN, UNAN-YES(3) Time: 7:20 PM**

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