

## FAIRFIELD TOWNSHIP REGULAR MEETING HELD ON SEPTEMBER 10, 2009



- I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:00 PM BY PAUL ALTIMUS, CHAIRMAN.
- II. ROLL CALL: PAUL ALTIMUS-PRESENT JAMES BROWN-PRESENT SOLICITOR-PRESENT (J.M.)
  VAUGHN TANTLINGER-PRESENT SECRETARY-PRESENT (EJB) CITIZENS-6
- III. PREVIOUS MONTHS MEETING HELD ON AUGUST 13, 2009: APPR BY PAUL, 2<sup>ND</sup> BY VAUGHN, UNAN-YES.
- IV. TRUE BILLS PAID AND TO BE PAID ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT DATED AUGUST 2009: PAUL SAID LINE #40 FOR SOWERS TIRE TO BE PAID WAS MISTYPED, IT SHOULD BE \$302.17 APPR BY VAUGHN, 2ND BY JIM, UNANYES.

	General Fund	State Fund	Road Fund
BEG BAL	\$87,948.88	\$169,140.84	\$1014.00
INCOME	5,509.24	58.87	.36
EXP	21,115.99	12,600.51	.00
BALANCE	\$72,342.13	\$156,599.20	\$1014.36

V. CORRESPONDENCE: NONE

VI. PERSONS PLACED ON AGENDA: NONE

VII. OLD BUSINESS: 1. UPDATE ON HIRSCH BRIDGE: PAUL ANNOUNCED IT WAS CLOSED AROUND 7/2/09. REPAIR PROCEDURES ARE IN PROCESS, APPLICATIONS TO DEP FOR STREAM ENCROACHMENTS PERMITS HAVE BEEN FILED, ENGINEER SAID HE WAS GETTING PAPERS READY FOR PENDOT APPROVAL. HOPEFULLY BY THE WEEK OF THE 21<sup>ST</sup> BIDS WILL BE ABLE TO GO OUT AND HOPEFULLY OPEN BIDS IN EARLY OCTOBER, SO THE REPAIRS CAN BE COMPLETED BEFORE WINTER

VIII. NEW BUSINESS: 1. MINIMUM MUNICIPAL OBLIGATION (MMO) FOR 2009 PENSION-EVERY YEAR FOR THE EMPLOYEES THAT ARE ACTIVE IN THE PENSION PLAN, THE SECRETARY HAS TO CALCULATE THE EARNINGS FOR CURRENT YEAR AND THAT FIGURE IS USED TO CALCULATE THE PAYMENT FOR NEXT YEAR. SECRETARY ESTIMATES PAYROLL, THEN TAKES THE PERCENTAGE THAT PMRS USES WHICH CURRENTLY IS .1325 X THE TOTAL PAYROLL, ADD ANY FEES, ANY CREDITS -- THE TWP WILL OWE APPROXIMATELY \$14,798.40. THIS MMO CALCULATION AND LETTER HAS TO BE PRESENTED TO THE BOARD AT A PUBLIC MEETING BEFORE THE LAST DAY IN SEPTEMBER, AND THEN IT HAS TO BE MAILED TO PMRS BY OCT.  $4^{TH}$ . MOST OR ALL OF PENSION INVOICE ARE PAID BY THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE, IF YOU WORK THE REQUIRED HOURS. MOTION BY PAUL TO APPROVE THE 2010 MMO FOR PMRS AS PRESENTED, 2<sup>ND</sup> BY VAUGHN, UNAN-YES **2. ADVERTISE** FOR THE SALE OF 1982 CASE W-14 FRONT END LOADER-AS IS—PAUL SAID BACK IN JUNE TWP PURCHASED A NEW LOADING MACHINE, PURPOSE OF PURCHASE WAS FOR LOADING MATERIAL, HANDLING SUPPLIES, AND FUTURE HOPE IS TO USE AS PART OF TWP SWEEPING TWP ROADS. IN DOING SO, TWP IS SITTING ON A 1982 CASE W-14 FRONT END LOADER—BOUGHT IN 1982. IN REVIEWING EQUIPMENT NEEDS, HE FEELS TWP HAS NO REASON TO HANG ONTO THIS PIECE OF EQUIPMENT BECAUSE OF ITS AGE AND CONDITION. VAUGHN AND JIM ALSO AGREED. MOTION BY PAUL TO ADVERTISE 1982 W-14 CASE FRONT END LOADER FOR SALE "AS IS" TO BE OPENED AT THE REGULAR MEETING HELD ON NOV. 12, 2009 AT 7 PM AT THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 2<sup>ND</sup> BY VAUGHN, UNAN YES. **3. GRANT WORKSHOP-**PAUL STATED EMMA (SECRETARY) GIVE BRIEF ACCOUNT OF MEETING LAST NIGHT. SECRETARY STATED THAT SHE ATTENDED A WORKSHOP AT THE LIGONIER TOWN HALL ORGANIZED BY REP. MIKE REESE, DEP REPRESENTATIVE-WAYNE KUCICH OUT OF PITTSBURGH FOR GRANTS THAT TWPS CAN APPLY FOR, IN REVIEWING THE GRANTS SECRETARY FEELS ONLY A FEW WOULD APPLY TO OUR TWP. KUCICH SAID THE GRANTS ARE VERY DETAILED AND HARD TO GET, AND FOR EXAMPLE IF IT WOULD BE A GRANT REQUEST FOR \$50,000 THE TWP WOULD HAVE TO HAVE 50% AND SOME OF THEM WOULD ONLY REQUIRE 25%. DCNR REP. TRACY STACK ALSO OUT OF PITTSBURGH AND SHE IS AN ENVIRONMENTALIST PLANNER, THEIR GRANTS CAN HELP ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY, BUT MOST OF THEIR GRANTS ARE FOR PARKS/RECREATION/TRACKS—WE BENEFIT FROM THEM FOR THE DIRT/GRAVEL PROGRAMS, WHICH VAUGHN ALREADY APPLIES FOR ON A REGULAR BASIS. THE LAST WAS A COSTAR REPRESENTATIVE TIM FULKERSON, HE OUT OF HARRISBURG, HE EXPLAINED THE COSTAR, TWP ALREADY INVOLVED IN COSTAR—THAT IS HOW TWP PURCHASED PICKUP TRUCK—TWP WENT ON THEIR WEBSITE AND FOUND THE PICKUP, THIS SAVES TWP THE COST OF ADVERTISING AND OPENING BIDS. HE ALSO HAS A 2 1/2 HOUR PROGRAM THAT HE LIKES TO PRESENT TO SHOW PEOPLE HOW TO USE THE COSTAR SIGHT TO THEIR BEST ADVANTAGE. HE WOULD LIKE TO SET SOMETHING UP AROUND HERE, BUT THEY WOULD HAVE TO HAVE ACCESS TO COMPUTERS. PAUL SAID HOPEFULLY IN THE FUTURE TWP CAN PARTICIPATE FROM SOME OF THE GRANTS.

**PUBLIC COMMENT: 1. DEB GAWLAS** ASKED IF THE STATE POLICE BILLS ARE STILL IN COMMITTEE (HB 1500 AND HB963) SHE SENT LETTERS TO ALL REPRESENTATIVES. SECRETARY SAID THEY HAD ASKED REP. REESE OFFICE TO LET US KNOW WHEN IT MOVES. DEB SAID THEY ARE ALREADY PAYING AN LST TAX-ANYONE THAT WORKS, WHICH WAS CALL EMERGENCY SERVICE TAX. THAT IS ANOTHER TAX THAT PEOPLE DO NOT REALIZE THAT WE ARE ALREADY FUNDING THAT SERVICE. PAUL SAID THEY ARE STILL PLANNING ON SOME WORK ON STIFFLER RD. **2. MAUREEN BLON 3. TOM BLON 4. DAN BRENDLINGER** 

5. KAREN BORING-INFO ON WHEN THE OTHER BRIDGES ARE TO BE CLOSED FOR REPAIR. PAUL SAID B & N BRIDGE AND BRIDGE AT SHIRLEY HOLLOW, PAUL SAID NO NOTIFICATION OTHER THAN DRILLING FOR CORE SAMPLES. PAUL SAID DO NOT KNOW IF IT IS A SHUT DOWN OR RUN AROUND. SHE IS CONCERNED FOR THE SCHOOL BUS. TRY TO KEEP HER AWARE. 5. HELEN THOMPSON DEB GAWLAS SAID SHE WOULD VOLUNTEER TO BE THE I<sup>ST</sup> ALTERNATE VOTING DELEGATE FOR THE ACT 32. JEFF EXPLAINED THAT ACT 32 DID AWAY WITH LOCAL COLLECTION OF EARNED INCOME TAX. A SINGLE COUNTY WIDE TAX COLLECTOR WILL BE APPOINTED BY A COMMITTEE MADE UP OF VOTING DELEGATES FROM MUNICIPALITIES AND SCHOOL BOARDS. THOSE DELEGATES WILL FORM THE TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE FOR EACH COUNTY WHICH WILL FORMULATE THE BY LAWS AND RULES FOR THE COMMITTEE AND THEN APPOINT THE COUNTY WIDE TAX COLLECTOR. PAUL SAID THAT BY RESOLUTION AT LAST MONTHS MEETING, JEFF MILLER WAS APPOINTED PRIMARY VOTING DELEGATE FOR FAIRFIELD TWP. THE RESOLUTION HAS A PLACE FOR 1<sup>ST</sup> ALTERNATE AND 2<sup>ND</sup> ALTERNATE, DEB JUST VOLUNTEERED FOR THE 1<sup>ST</sup> ALTERNATE. PAUL SAID IT WAS RES. #3-2009. PAUL MAKES MOTION TO APPOINT DEB GAWLAS AS THE FIRST VOTING DELEGATE TO REPRESENT FAIRFIELD TWP FOR THE ACT 32, 2<sup>ND</sup> BY VAUGHN, UNAN-YES. VAUGHN THANKED DEB. PAUL REQUESTED WE ALL STAND AND DO THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE IN REMEMBRANCE OF 9/11. SECRETARY HAD COMMEMORATIVE INFORMATION ON THE FLAG CREATED IN HONOR OF 9/11 FOR ANYONE WHO WANTED THEM.

X. ADJOURNMENT: MOTION BY PAUL, 2<sup>ND</sup> BY VAUGHN, UNAN—YES Time: 7:18 PM

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