

# FALLOWFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Regular Meeting  
August 31, 2016

## Call to Order:

Supervisor Caldwell called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. prevailing time and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

## Roll Call:

Fallowfield Township Supervisors met for the August 31, 2016, regular monthly meeting @ 6:00 p.m., at the Fallowfield Township Municipal Building, 9 Memorial Drive, Charleroi, Pa. Present were Supervisor Wilbur Caldwell, Supervisor Earl Sadler, and Supervisor Bruce C. Smith, Secretary/Treasurer, Karen Talbert and Solicitor Thomas P. Agrafiotis.

Supervisor Caldwell announced at this point in the meeting that they were going to have two visitors speak. Supervisor Smith introduced Lt. Charles Gonglik from the Belle Vernon Barracks of the Pennsylvania State Police, who is only six days new to the Belle Vernon Barracks. Lt. Gonglik spoke and explained that he is the new station commander and wanted to come out and introduce himself. He also stated that Sergeant Fagnilli will still be around and if we ever need anything don't hesitate to call.

Supervisor Sadler then introduced John McGoran from Republic Waste, who spoke with regard to being the waste hauler for the Township, for the past eight years. He also stated that the current contract for the period from 1/1/14 through 12/31/16, which is about to expire, had an option for two additional one (1) year periods starting January 1, 2017, at the same rate, terms and conditions. Mr. McGoran asked the Board of Supervisors to extend the contract for one more year and stated that we can address the second year later but that there would be no additional costs to the residents. He went onto say that the Board and Republic have had a good relationship and have worked together at times to resolve issues as they may arise. Supervisors Smith asked about television removal as that is a question he gets frequently. Mr. McGoran explained that Republic does offer such a program and typically it runs \$1.25 per month and it is a community wide program, for which you are charged whether you use it or not. He also stated that the program is year to year because there are limited facilities to process the televisions. He said that they also pick up household hazardous waste such as paint, solvents, motor oil, and batteries. The Secretary explained that the County has a program which takes place at the Washington County Fair Grounds and they have that once a month and they do take televisions at no charge. Two residents spoke and said that Republic does a good job. The Solicitor said that the Board could vote on the extension at the next meeting.

At 6:11 p.m. the Board went into Executive Session and returned to the meeting at 6:32 p.m.

## Approval of the Agenda:

Supervisor Caldwell stated that he needed to add under Approval of Bills and Payroll a bill from General Code for compilation of the summary on the codification. Solicitor Agrafiotis stated that his bill for services rendered was late to the Secretary and requested that it also be added as a separate item. Supervisor Caldwell stated General Code will be 9 a. and the Solicitor's bill will be 9 b. Supervisor Caldwell also added under the Multi-Municipal Plan Committee report that the Board needed to discuss and resolve the request for a Resolution on an LSA grant application as A1.

Supervisor Caldwell questioned whether or not we needed to add discuss of the inspection report on the railroad bridge on Fox Stop Road. Supervisor Sadler replied, no, there is nothing really to report. Supervisor Sadler said that he had notified our engineer and that the engineer was going to review it to make sure that any discrepancies, possibly that the municipality can do and make sure they are done, within a reasonable time. Supervisor Caldwell said, then we don't need to add it? Supervisor Sadler, said yes. The Solicitor said isn't that the railroads responsibility and Supervisor Sadler said, no, it is on our right of way and it Fallowfields'. He further said the state inspects it every two years and it is up to us to maintain it, just like the Redds Mill Road bridge. Supervisor Caldwell added one final item to the Agenda which was the status of the codification under Old Business as Item M. He asked if there were any other corrections or additions and there being none, called for a roll call vote.

RCV: Supervisor Smith – yes, Supervisor Sadler – yes, Supervisor Caldwell – yes.

Supervisor Caldwell reported that an informational meeting was held August 9, 2016, and we also had a meeting with HRG on the Storm Water Management and MS4 permit and that was held on August 23, 2016.

#### **Approval of the Minutes:**

Supervisor Caldwell asked if everyone had received a copy of the minutes of the July 27, 2016, regular meeting and all replied, yes. Supervisor Caldwell asked if there were any corrections or additions to the minutes of the regular meeting held on July 27, 2016, and if not, called for approval of the minutes. Supervisor Sadler made a motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of July 27, 2016, second Supervisor Smith. Supervisor Caldwell called for any discussion and there being none called for a roll call vote.

RCV: Supervisor Smith – yes, Supervisor Sadler – yes, Supervisor Caldwell – yes.

Supervisor Caldwell asked if everyone had received a copy of the minutes of the July 27, 2016, continued meeting held on August 11, 2016, and all replied, yes. Supervisor Caldwell asked if there were any corrections or additions to the minutes. Supervisor Sadler made a motion to accept the minutes of the July 29, 2016, continued meeting held August 11, 2016, second Supervisor Smith. Supervisor Caldwell called for any discussion and there being none called for a roll call vote.

RCV: Supervisor Smith – yes, Supervisor Sadler – yes, Supervisor Caldwell – yes.

#### **Approval of the Bills and Payroll:**

Supervisor Caldwell called for approval of the payment of the August, bills and payroll and stated that he did have one question. He asked about the restocking charge on the Napa bill,

thinking it was the amount of the total bill, but it was explained that the restocking charge was \$50.89 and that the balance of the bill was for necessary purchases. Supervisor Sadler made a motion to approve the August, 2016, bills and payroll as provided by the report of the Secretary, second Supervisor Smith. Supervisor Caldwell called for any discussion and there being none called for a roll call vote.

RCV: Supervisor Smith – yes, Supervisor Sadler – yes, Supervisor Caldwell – yes.

Supervisor Caldwell called for the approval and made the motion to approve the bill to General Code in the amount of \$2,518.20 to be paid from Act 13 funds which was previously earmarked, second Supervisor Sadler. Supervisor Caldwell called for any discussion and there being none called for a roll call vote.

RCV: Supervisor Smith – yes, Supervisor Sadler – yes, Supervisor Caldwell – yes.

Supervisor Caldwell called for the approval and made the motion to approve the bill to Melenzyer & Agrafiotis in the amount of \$3,130.00 for legal services for the month of August, second Supervisor Sadler. Supervisor Caldwell called for any discussion and there being none called for a roll call vote.

RCV: Supervisor Smith – yes, Supervisor Sadler – yes, Supervisor Caldwell – yes.

### **Correspondence:**

Supervisor Caldwell reported the following correspondence:

1. A thank you received by email from Kevin Povich of Florence Drive. Mr. Povich was having a new shed delivered to his house and there were some tree limbs blocking the road (which could have damaged the shed) and he got a hold of Earl Sadler and the Road Crew addressed his concerns.

2. A letter stating that starting on 9/6/16 through 10/5/16, Route 136 at 519 in Eighty Four will be closed to traffic and traffic will be re-routed.

Supervisor Sadler reported the following correspondence:

3. Supervisor Sadler stated with much regret, he received a letter from Frank Green, part-time Road Crew worker, and the letter said, “please be advised that effective 8/31/16 will be my last day of employment with the Road Department of Fallowfield Township. It has been a pleasure to work with you and my co-workers. Thank you.” Supervisor Smith moved to accept the resignation of Frank Green, second Supervisor Caldwell. Supervisor Caldwell called for any discussion and there being none called for a roll call vote.

RCV: Supervisor Smith – yes, Supervisor Sadler – yes, Supervisor Caldwell – yes.

4. Supervisor Sadler reported that he attended a meeting earlier in the day in Charleroi regarding the replacement of the bridge on Twin Bridges Road (State Bridge). He said that commencing on October 3<sup>rd</sup> they are planning on starting to remove this bridge and they have to go down 15 feet because they hit bedrock, so it will take approximately 5 weeks to put this bridge in. He further stated that it is a box culvert bridge like we put in out there on Main Street. He stated that Twin Bridges will definitely be shut down off of Old Route 71. The other problem is that they are shutting down Old Route 71 down. He said it will be shut down as far as Cooper

Road and also Rodgers Lane and also be shut down to Terrace. He said that the route that they will be sending you down to go into Charleroi, will be take Route 88 to Interstate 70 West and getting off of Route 481 and coming down this way. He stated that another problem was that nobody from the Emergency Management people or ambulance people, nobody showed up, there was only the school and myself.

He said that they have asked him to put together a meeting next week, Anthony will be putting this together, and all emergency management, this will be Bentleyville, because what is going to happen is they are going to have dual response on everything. We have to put a meeting together to make sure that everything is in place prior to this being done. Supervisor Smith asked how many weeks it will be down. Supervisor Sadler said, it will be down approximately 5 weeks but if they do not do it by October 3<sup>rd</sup>, it might not go this year because the State will not give them permission to lay a hard surface down after a certain date. He said that right now it is definitely planned for October 3<sup>rd</sup> and detour signs and maps will be placed out here. Supervisor Smith asked if the School had a busing plan, Supervisor Sadler said, they do now.

**Old Business:**

A. **Status of Multi-Municipal Comprehensive Plan Committee** - Supervisor Caldwell stated that the Committee met with GAI Consultants last week. He stated that the results of the meeting were very positive and there was a considerable amount of discussion and planning going forward to put this project together. He said that one of the first things that was discussed was to consider doing something as a group, to show that we can work together. He stated that one of those things was to make application to the LSA for the purpose of tearing down the old Charleroi Stadium located at Riverside and Second Street. Supervisor Caldwell discussed a proposed Resolution (to be adopted by Fallowfield Township) that he received earlier in the day that was needed to accompany the LSA Application. He stated that he forwarded a copy to the Solicitor for his review and to make a determination if it was acceptable.

Solicitor Agrafiotis stated that it appears to be acceptable, I would have maybe beefed it up a bit, but it should get you where you need to go. Supervisor Caldwell stated that the object of this is doing this as a community. He stated that the Atlas Building is going to be torn down (not sure who is funding that project) but the stadium is up in question. He went onto further to say that part of this Multi-Municipal Plan is to try and grow the area within the five individual municipalities that are participating (Charleroi, North Charleroi, Speers, Fallowfield and Twilight). He said that each area is going to try to do something to help the individual area not just the group as a whole.

He felt that we could possibly get some recreational spans in the township and some housing spurts developed from this plan once it is implemented. He said they are trying to concentrate on Main Street in Charleroi and the river front. He said that some of the turmoil that has been going on with some of these properties over the years, we thought that this would be a good way to show that we all agree to some improvements. He said that taking that property down leaves a lot of property along the riverfront for future expansion, whether it be for recreational purposes or business development. He stated that GAI is very knowledgeable in doing this type of project and had five or six examples of things that they had done and all of them started being

developed and grew from recreational lines. He stated that this is a long process but we wanted to try and get this LSA Application which is due by October 1<sup>st</sup> so this is one way of doing it.

Supervisor Smith spoke and said that they (GAI) showed a power point presentation on some of the projects that they had done, one being a very impressive project in Charleston, West Virginia, on the water front. He said that he got to thinking after the meeting, he wished he would have asked the question, what is the current ownership, who actually owns it. There was some discussion between Supervisor Smith and Supervisor Caldwell about the ownership in Charleston. Supervisor Smith stated that GAI is a very impressive engineering firm, and he was glad he attended the meeting and it was very worthwhile and it is hard for everybody around the table to agree to do the first project if it is somebody else's municipality but when you enter into something like that with a group, somebody has to go first, I think that is worthwhile.

Supervisor Caldwell made a motion to adopt the Resolution and pass it on to the Comprehensive Plan Committee administering the LSA application. Solicitor Agrafiotis stated that it will be given the next number in the Resolution Book. Supervisor Smith second the motion. Supervisor Caldwell called for discussion. Supervisor Smith said for clarification this does not prevent us from applying for individual LSA monies. Supervisor Caldwell said, no. There being no further questions, Supervisor Caldwell called for a roll call vote:

RCV: Supervisor Smith – yes, Supervisor Sadler – yes, Supervisor Caldwell – yes.

**B. Status of Bentleyville and 481 Interchange projects** - Supervisor Sadler said they are pretty much still on schedule and there is still a lot of construction going on so try and take it easy.

**C. Status of Chester Engineers License Agreement** -Solicitor Agrafiotis stated that he believed that he had some language that Mr. Nuremberg at least thought would be conceptually acceptable to end our stale mate over this. He said that he put pen to paper and provided it to him in agreement form and was waiting to hear back from him and hopefully we will have this long suffering issue resolved.

**D. Status of Hess Road Bond issue** – Solicitor Agrafiotis said that he had received the signed copy and gave the original to Karen at the continued meeting and the Secretary stated that she had transferred the money from the Road Bonds account to the General Fund.

**E. Status of Redds Mill Bridge repair** - The Secretary reported that Colin Lampark (our engineer) was in touch with Mr. Metzinger and forwarded to him the contracts for signature, which Metzinger signed and then Colin sent them to us and Supervisor Caldwell signed them this evening, so this is done. Supervisor Smith asked about the pre-construction meeting. Supervisor Sadler said we are not going to have a pre-construction meeting because it is so far detailed and it takes an engineer and it is way over our heads so Colin is just going to meet with him.

**F. Rodgers Manor repair bids per Chester Engineers scope to be received and opened at September 28<sup>th</sup> meeting** – Solicitor Agrafiotis stated that unless he (Engineer) is here to review them it cannot be awarded that night. Supervisor Sadler said yes it can, it is the same as when you put the roads out to bid, make sure the bonds are in process and of

that nature. Supervisor Caldwell said, no, it isn't, we always let the Engineer review the quote. Supervisor Smith said we could approve it pending Engineer approval. Supervisor Sadler said it's a quote like paving the roads? Solicitor Agrafiotis said, I could be wrong but I think this a little more in depth. Supervisor Caldwell said this isn't just paving a road. Supervisor Sadler said they are making up what they have to be done and all the guys have to review it but they have to follow what the engineer requires. Supervisor Caldwell said in the past we have always had Chester Engineers, or whoever the Township Engineer was, approve these projects for us. Supervisor Smith said I think in the past we have done it pending final approval by the Engineer. Solicitor Agrafiotis said you can do conditional approval. Supervisor Smith said, we have done that and if it does not meet the engineer's specifications it is waived. Solicitor Agrafiotis said my guess is that they are going to be about an inch thick when they come in. The Secretary stated that the Engineer hoped he can pull it all off because the first ad must appear in the newspaper by next Friday, September 9<sup>th</sup>.

**G. Status of blighted properties** – Solicitor Agrafiotis stated that as far as he knew, Frank Monack was working on those. The Secretary looked at Mr. Monack's monthly report and read the following: Dangerous structure-Wisetown Road-condemnation; Property Complaint-Intersection of Wilson & Blythe-Condemnation; property Complaint-Terrace Street-condemnation; and dangerous structure-Sersen Street-condemnation proceeding. Supervisor Caldwell said then these are in the works.

**H. Set date with HRG and Supervisors for kickoff meeting of Storm Water Management and MS4 permitting; dates available per HRG – August 17, 18, 19 or 23, 2016** – Supervisor Smith stated that the kickoff meeting also included the GIS Mapping Program which we conducted first. He said that the meeting was conducted as a video conference with Howard Hodder, Harrisburg Office, and it was pretty much an informational thing, trying to get everyone familiar with points of contact and they are ready to go and ready to start with feedback from the County GIS Engineer. He further said that since that meeting, I have also had a conference call with Howard Hodder, who will be our project engineer on this.

He also stated that the Storm Water Management and MS4 Permit was quite interesting. He reported that after they (HRG) have taken a closer look at our MS4 Permit, they believe that we have a 50/50 chance of getting a waiver on it, which would be great. He stated that there is a matter in New Business that I will discuss further. He continued to say that based on the original MS4 Permit, the conditions that said then that we were required to be permitted, have since been met and the sewage project has taken a lot of this out of the equalization.

He further said that population density in most of the Township, says that there is only a couple of areas that need to be looked at in the first place, one of those areas, the main area, is the Maple Creek drainage and that is the area most addressed by the sewage project that was done since the permit, so they think by putting all that together, you would have to put the waiver/application in by December. He said that they think we have a better than average chance of getting a waiver so we would not have to worry about it for the foreseeable future. He said that the project manager from HRG just attended a class/seminar conducted by the DEP and they pretty much said at this point they (DEP) are understaffed, like everyone else in the state, and they are not looking for work, they would rather staff up to inspect the areas and municipalities that really should be permitted rather than adding staff to go around and bother people like us, that really

don't make that much of a difference. He ended by saying that he will talk about this a little more in New Business because it does potentially involve some additional funding.

**I. Status of Quality of Life draft ordinance** – Supervisor Caldwell said he did not think that the Board had a chance to really review the Quality of Life Ordinance and Supervisor Sadler made a motion to table, second Supervisor Smith. Supervisor Caldwell called for any discussion and there being none called for a roll call vote.

RCV: Supervisor Smith – yes, Supervisor Sadler – yes, Supervisor Caldwell – yes.

**J. Status update on Authority of the Borough of Charleroi for the Combined Sewer Overflow Project Plan per Act 537. A public meeting will be held September 7, 2016, at the Charleroi High School Auditorium at 7:00 p.m.**- Supervisor Caldwell reported that after the last meeting we had with ABC at our work session, we received the book on the project itself. He stated that there is approximately a 50-page summary report, all I did was I put it all together in a letter briefly stating that the Act 537 Combined Sewer Overflow Project is estimated to cost \$32,500,000.00 and it is definitely going to impact the sewage bill. He further said that the combined sewage overflow cost is going to affect the residents monthly bill an additional \$38.00 for the first six years and \$45.00 for the remainder of the financing terms. Supervisor Caldwell explained that ABC intends to refinance the Fallowfield Township existing debt service and that reduction will reduce the current monthly debt service from \$26.50 per month through 2022 to a new monthly debt service rate of \$8.00 per month through 2040. He stated that in the Summary Report pricing information is located on pages 4, 5, 51, 52 and 53.

Supervisor Caldwell explained that what he just reported is in a cover sheet letter that is on our website, it was also posted on Facebook to go to the website to get the additional information. He went onto explain that it breaks down to, if you take a sixty-month period at the original \$26.50 per month that comes out to \$1,590.00 that an individual household will pay; from 2017 to 2040 (276 months) at \$8.00, you will pay \$2,208.00. He stated that the Fallowfield's existing debt service is going to run you about \$618.00 additional but that would be over that period of time. He said it appears to him that will be the direction that they will take. He urged people to look at the Summary and get a better understanding of what the project is. He also advised that there will be a Public Meeting on September 7, 2016, at the Charleroi High School Auditorium at 7:00 p.m. He said if you have any questions on what is going on with this project, please call ABC directly, and I did post a telephone number.

Supervisor Caldwell stated that there is one additional part to this, there were some questions raised during our last meeting we had with the representatives of ABC. He said that he had received a telephone call this morning from Ed Golanko and that he met with him this afternoon and he (Mr. Golanko) gave him some of these costs which Supervisor Caldwell said he will share. He stated that he was sure that the residents were going to have questions on these additional cost; however, at this September 7, 2016 meeting, ABC is not going to address questions concerning Fallowfield's existing debt or billing. Supervisor Caldwell suggested that we come up with either a special meeting in the future with ABC, an Agenda Meeting, where we advertise or at a regular meeting, have ABC attend and go through these figures. Supervisor Caldwell read aloud a letter that he received from ABC. A copy of said letter is attached hereto and made a part hereof. He continued by saying that they gave him a paper with the figures on it and he said that the total sewage customers for the entire ABC is 4,282; the total Fallowfield customers are 1,168;

so Fallowfield by percentage is 27.3% of the amount of customers within the system. He said that from January 1<sup>st</sup> of this year to July 31<sup>st</sup> of this year, the total sewer system operating expense was \$719,628.19; non-operating was \$5,676.05; debt service excluding Fallowfield's debt was \$115,611.47; that meant that the total sewer expense for ABC, again excluding Fallowfield's original debt service, was \$838,925.71. Fallowfield's portion of the system's total expense should be \$228,836.27. Fallowfield's PennVest Debt which is the \$23.00 per month that equals \$113,292.16 a year. Year to date as of 7/31/16 there was \$182,753.76 paid so the total Fallowfield obligation from Fallowfield's portion of the general operating to the old debt service equals \$411,590.03 that what it should be. He said that what they actually collected from Fallowfield as of 7/31/16 was \$397,745.17 so right now there is a deficient from Fallowfield's billing of \$13,824.86 so basically what they are telling us is that they had the five-year billing agreement but they did not realize that the system's categories did not match up with their categories. He said that based on the numbers there should have been a slight rate increase for Fallowfield for last year and that was not done. He said that most likely there will be a modest rate hike for Fallowfield customers to remove that deficient of \$13,824.86. I ask them that since I will just be reading this off at the meeting and that there will be only a small portion of the residents at the meeting, that there definitely needs a meeting to take place, have it advertised, put these on the board, have handouts so everyone can see what these numbers are and so you have a better understanding of it. He again said that whatever your bill is now, you are going to have some type of modest rate increase but I do not know what that number is but I did divide it all out and you will definitely be picking up the additional \$38.00 for the CSO Project and the \$8.00 a month for the additional debt so the bills are going up and in round numbers I think the average bill will probably be somewhere around \$80 or \$100 but that is speculation.

Supervisor Smith encouraged everyone to attend that September 7<sup>th</sup> meeting and let anyone you know that is a customer to attend that meeting. We were told by ABC that even if we do not approve of this, they have to do it anyway, the DEP is going to force the matter, our approval sort of makes it look better. He said that the reason I would encourage everyone to attend that meeting is, if you go up there we don't want to do it, they are not going to want to listen to you, but if you have a valid option, we are hoping that the DEP attend that meeting, we asked if they will be present, I hope people would come with any concerns or any ideas, force them in front of the DEP. He said that he has his personal opinion on this whole thing that I may express there, I think our portion of the matter could be resolved a lot less expensive than what they are looking at, that is one person's opinion.

Supervisor Caldwell reminded everyone that they are not going to respond to these billing questions with regard to Fallowfield's individual billing, the September meeting is specifically for the CSO Project and associated costs. Supervisor Caldwell also urged everyone to read summary on our website and that will help everyone understand this matter.

There was some discussion about advertising a meeting regarding this matter. Supervisor Smith suggested that at the September 7<sup>th</sup> meeting that Fallowfield Township residents will have a separate billing meeting. Supervisor Caldwell said he will send an email out expressing our concerns and copy everyone on it.

**K. Support letter for Mon/Fayette Expressway project** – Solicitor Agrafiotis said if memory serves me it is too late. He said that at the Agenda Meeting we discussed that they had wanted it before today’s meeting. Supervisor Sadler said he believed that was correct.

**L. Ambulance coverage continued discussion**– Supervisor Smith said that we are currently soliciting feedback from other municipalities that are currently being serviced or have been in the past serviced by BearCat EMS. He said that he is not sure how long it will take to get this information back. He said that since our last meeting BearCat EMS has distributed solicitation letters for membership. He did not know if they went out across all of the township, but he said a significant portion of it residents have received these letters. Supervisor Smith warned not to confuse these letters, thinking that we are switching EMS providers. He stated that if you choose to join Bear Cat EMS as a member, you can do so, and if you do so, and you wish them to be your personal EMS provider, you have to tell the 911 Center that when you call. He said if you do not state that you prefer BearCat, they will respond with our provider of choice, which at this time, is still Mon EMS. He went on further to say that there is a lot to this and I have discussed this matter several times with Washington County Public Safety. He said that he was supposed to have a couple answers before this meeting; however, Mr. Yates had called him this morning and he was unavailable and when he returned his call he was unavailable.

Supervisor Smith stated that Mr. Hess from Mon Valley EMS did provide some January through July statistics for public knowledge. He reported that: from January 1st through the end of July of this year, total calls to the Township were 279. Of those 279 calls, 153 were actually emergency calls, 13 fire standby, 15 cancelled calls, only 15 were referred to other services. He explained that when an EMS provider refers a call to another service, it is most often due to the fact that all of their available rigs are out on the road, so they have a backup provided. There were 16 patient refusals; 14 cases of no patient found once they arrived; 45 cases of no transport, that is when the patient is assessed only and it was deemed unnecessary to transport; 3 special event standby (those were football games); 5 EMS assist backups on other EMS calls and for a total average of 39 calls per month. He went onto say that in that same time frame January through the end of July, based on the 153 emergency calls only, the time from when the call came in until the unit arrived on scene was an average of 11.1 minutes over 153 calls.

**M. Status of Codification** – Supervisor Caldwell reported that General Code submitted to the Board of Supervisors and the Planning Commission a copy of the Codification package and they have a list of approximately 12 pages of questions and all you have to do yes, no, and send it back to them by September 26<sup>th</sup>. He stated that the Planning Commission is going to meet and review this and then we can approve it at the next meeting in September and send it off to General Code. He said what he has seen of it when he looked at the other day, it looks pretty good.

**New Business:**

**A. Motion to purchase new trailer per quote provided**– Supervisor Sadler said this is a dump trailer that we used to haul our roller and other equipment to take to the site. He said that the trailer we currently have has extensive problems and we also found out that it is way underweight for what we need. He said rather than put a lot of money in it to fix it, we priced purchasing a new trailer. He stated that we went to Tom’s Trailer Sales over on 18 and he is with

Co-Stars (Co-Stars gives us the very lowest price on everything). Tom's Trailer Sales quoted us a 20ft., 15,000 GBW for \$4,835.00 not counting trade. He went onto say that we went down to Russell's Trailer Sales on Twilight Hollow Road and he matched the price of \$4,835.00 for an Iron Bull tilt bed trailer minus \$700.00 trade. Supervisor Sadler made the motion to purchase the 20ft. trailer, 14,000 GBW, off of Russell's Trailer Sales for the total amount of \$4,835.00 minus \$700.00 trade in for the total of \$4,135.00 to be taken out of the General Fund. Supervisor Caldwell asked why not take it out of Equipment Fund. Supervisor Sadler said I do not know how much we have coming out of the Equipment since we are taking the truck coming out of there. The Secretary stated that the Equipment Fund has \$69,979.89. Supervisor Caldwell said we have \$42,000.00 coming out of there for the truck down payment. Supervisor Sadler said then he amends his motion to take the \$4,135.00 out of the Equipment Fund, second Supervisor Smith. Supervisor Caldwell called for any discussion and there being none called for a roll call vote.

RCV: Supervisor Smith – yes, Supervisor Sadler – yes, Supervisor Caldwell – yes.

**B. Motion to add, if needed, to HRG current contract the amount of NTE \$5,000.00 for additional work to prepare application to submit for a waiver of the MS4 permit to the DEP. Waiver application is due 12-31-16. The \$5,000.00 additional funds will only be used if the waiver is denied. If waiver is approved current HRG contract on MS4 will not be needed nor completed** –

Supervisor Smith said that based on what I explained before about the likelihood of getting an MS4 waiver, the amount of work necessary to prepare the waiver application could add up to what they think not to exceed \$5,000.00. He said that if they go to the trouble of putting this waiver application together, doing all the engineering, data gathering, and we get granted the waiver, our spending on the MS4 project with HRG will come to a halt. He stated that we had approved \$35,000.00 so the rest of that \$35,000.00 that we would have spent will come back into the fund that we spent it from. He went onto say that if for some reason the DEP did not grant the waiver, this additional work that they would have put in to prepare the waiver application could raise the total cost as much as \$5,000.00. Supervisor Smith said he feels that it is a good gamble based on the discussions we had and everything, it is money well spent. He said that as a not to exceed number the \$35,000.00 was a not to exceed number, it could turn out that we do not go over that in the first place but if we are going to do that we need to make provisions. Supervisor Smith made a motion that we authorize HRG Engineering to proceed with the MS4 waiver application, preparation and submitting at the potential additional fee not to exceed \$5,000.00 from Act 13 funds, second Supervisor Caldwell. Solicitor Agrafiotis stated that this was actually at his recommendation just keep the books clean, we are not actually spending any more money, unless their efforts are unsuccessful. Supervisor Caldwell called for a roll call vote:

RCV: Supervisor Smith – yes, Supervisor Sadler – yes, Supervisor Caldwell – yes.

**C. Approval of the 2017 Minimum Municipal Obligation for the Police Pension Fund and the Steelworkers Pension Trust** –

The Secretary explained that every year as a municipality we have to plan for our Pension Plan and we have Feaster Pension Consulting prepares our MMO for us each year. She stated that obviously for the Police Pension Fund it is zero because we are over funded in their Plan, although we still do have to do the form. She stated that we have five employees involved in the Steelworkers Pension Trust and so for 2017 our MMO would be \$15,600.00. She explained that we do receive state aid to pay for that pension and usually it is the biggest portion, in other years they have almost paid the whole, pension so really the Township has paid nothing in those years. She also stated that we never know exactly what we

are going to get. She said she should have looked up what we got last year but she did not think of that as that would have been helpful. She did state that it will probably come in at \$10,000.00 or \$12,000.00 dollars but we need to plan for 2017 the sum of \$15,600.00 for the Steelworkers Pension Trust. Supervisor Sadler made a motion for the MMO for the Steelworkers Pension Trust in the amount of \$15,600.00, second Supervisor Smith. Supervisor Caldwell called for any discussion and there being none called for a roll call vote.

RCV: Supervisor Smith – yes, Supervisor Sadler – yes, Supervisor Caldwell – yes.

Supervisor Caldwell made a motion to have the 2017 MMO for the Police Pension Fund set at zero, second Supervisor Sadler. Supervisor Caldwell called for any discussion and there being none called for a roll call vote.

RCV: Supervisor Smith – yes, Supervisor Sadler – yes, Supervisor Caldwell – yes.

**Other Business:**

Solicitor Agrafiotis reminded everyone that the two Resolutions that the Authority of the Borough of Charleroi have requested are due by September 30<sup>th</sup>.

**Reports:**

Parks & Recreation: No report.

Planning Commission: Per Supervisor Caldwell touched on briefly during the meeting.

Solicitor's Report: The Solicitor stated that he did receive today from the Washington County Clerk of Courts the approved filed Ordinance regarding the takeover of the remainder of Tower Street, they had a 30-day comment period, that expired and now that is officially filed with the County and also provided to the Planning Commission.

Code/Building/Zoning Report: Provided by Secretary.

Road Report: Provided by Supervisor Sadler and a written report was provided by John Grossi.

Fire Report: Provided by Secretary.

Animal Control Report: Provided by Secretary.

Public Safety: Provided by Supervisor Smith (ambulance coverage).

Mon Valley Emergency Services: Provided by Secretary.

Supervisor Smith and the Secretary talked about a new store in Charleroi called 2<sup>nd</sup> Time and encouraged people to stop into this unique new shop in town.

**Public Discussion:**

Kevin Povich – Personally thanked Earl and Road Crew for taking care of his situation on Florence Drive.

Melvin Fox – Thanked Earl Sadler for paving on his road.

Bob Grant – Thanked Supervisors for job well done, culvert issue near his home,

Supervisor Caldwell stated that the next working meeting is scheduled for September 19, 2016, and the next regular meeting is scheduled for September 28, 2016. Supervisor Smith made a motion to adjourn the meeting, second Supervisor Sadler.

  
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Karen Talbert, Secretary/Treasurer

