DARBY TOWNSHIP BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING DECEMBER 14, 2022

THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE DARBY TOWNSHIP BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS WAS HELD ON DECEMBER 14, 2022, AT 7:00PM AT 21 BARTRAM AVENUE, (DARBY TOWNSHIP), PENNSYLVANIA, 19036.

COMMISSIONER LACEY, PRESIDENT CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AND ASKED FOR A MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR OLIVIA DRASHER, FIRE VICTIM OF SHARON AVENUE ON SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2022, AND THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG.

ROLL CALL:

COMMISSIONERS

OFFICIALS

MR. LACEY, COMMISSIONER
MR. SMITH, COMMISSIONER
MS. WHITAKER, MANAGER
MR. SOUSA, CHIEF OF POLICE
MS. TALIAFERRO, COMMISSIONER
MS. POE, SECRETARY
MR. PIERCE, SOLICITOR
MR. GOUGLER, COMMISSIONER
MS. CATANIA, ENGINEER

COMMISSIONER LACEY-OPENED THE FLOOR TO CITIZENS COMMENTS.

WALTER REALER, 1530 LINCOLN AVENUE-ACTUALLY, I AM A MEMBER OF THE DARBY TOWNSHIP RECREATION BOARD AND I'M THE PRESIDENT OF THAT BOARD, IN 2016 I STARTED COMING HERE. MS. HOLMAN WAS THE COMMISSIONER. RICHARD WOMACK WAS THE PRESIDENT OF THAT BOARD. I CAME IN AND I STARTED COMPLAINING ABOUT THE TOWNSHIP'S RECREATION BOARD. THAT'S WHEN A LOT OF STUFF STARTED AND DURING THAT TIME MY COUSIN, COMMISSIONER SMITH, HAD ASPIRATIONS OF RUNNING FOR COMMISSIONER. WE TALKED FROM TIME TO TIME. WE HAD GOOD CONVERSATION AND GOOD IDEAS. AFTER A COMMENT, WELL A CONVERSATION THAT MYSELF AND MY FRIEND, ROBERT CRAWFORD HERE HAD WITH COMMISSIONER SMITH ABOUT A TRACK AROUND THE BASKETBALL COURT, HE'S BEEN POKING AND PRODDING. TRYING TO GET ME REMOVED FROM THE BOARD, JUST COMING IN HERE QUESTIONING RESIDENCY, WHERE I LIVE. I'M ACTUALLY TO THE POINT I'M TIRED OF THE NONSENSE. LIKE, HE PLAYS TOO MANY GAMES WITH THE TOWNSHIP. HE'S BLOCKING THE TOWNSHIP'S BLESSINGS. INSTEAD OF CALLING FOR PEOPLE'S RESIGNATION, WHY DON'T YOU RESIGN? WHY DON'T YOU MAKE THIS OFFICIALLY YOUR LAST MEETING? PUT IN YOUR LETTER OF RESIGNATION AND LET US MOVE FORWARD SO WE CAN DO WHAT WE NEED TO DO. BECAUSE YOU'RE STRANGLING US. YOUR NAME IS TAINTED. NO ONE WANTS TO WORK WITH YOU. PLEASE DO US THE FAVOR. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

DAN LASALLE, LAWNTON TERRACE-HOMEOWNER, TAXPAYER, BUSINESS OWNER, TAXPAYER. VERY ACTIVE FIRE FIGHTER. A COUPLE OF ITMES. ON NOVEMBER THE 4TH

FIRE COMPANIES WERE CALLED OUT TO RENDER A PUBLIC SERVICE BECAUSE NOBODY ELSE WOULD RESPOND. WE DID AND WE FOUND OUT THAT A RESIDENT ON THE CORNER OF MADISON AND LAWNTON TERRACE WAS GETTING SEWERAGE WATER BACKED UP INTO THEIR BASEMENT. INTO THEIR HOME AND THEY REPEATEDLY TRIED TO MAKE CONTACT WITH THE TOWNSHIP. NOBODY WAS ABLE TO DO IT. SO, HE CALLED THE COUNTY FIRE BOARD. THE FIRE BOARD SENT US. WHO ELSE? WE'RE ALWAYS THERE. WHAT CAN WE DO? WE CANNOT USE, BY LAW, ANY OF OUR FACILITIES, ANY OF OUR EQUIPMENT TO DEAL WITH THE A SEWERAGE ISSUE. IT'S A HEALTH HAZZARD. CAN'T DO IT. ASIDE FROM THAT WE CAN'T PUT OUR PERSONNEL INTO SOMEBODY'S CONTAMINATED BASEMENT UNLESS IT'S TO REMOVE A VICTIM OR SOMETHING OF THAT SORT. SO, WE UTILIZE THEIR OWN RESOURCES AND GOT A HOLD OF THOMAS THORPE WHO TOOK CARE OF THE SITUATION. BECAUSE WE GOT NO RESPONSE FROM ANYBODY FROM THE TOWNSHIP. THE POLICE DEPARTMENT WAS HANDICAPPED THEY HAD NO CONTACT. THE FIRE BOARD HAD NO CONTACT SO WE HAD TO DEAL WITH IT THE BEST WE COULD. WE USED OUR OWN RESOURCES. AGAIN, FIRE COMPANIES AT WORK. SO, IT SEEMS A LITTLE ISSUE THERE. I HOPEFULLY REQUEST THAT THE TOWNSHIP MANAGEMENT SUPPLY A LIST TO THE FIRE BOARD OF CONTACTS WHEN NEEDED. THE LOSS OF LIFE FIRE ON SHARON AVE THE OTHER NIGHT CONTACTS WERE ATTEMPTED TO BE MADE AND THE COUNTY FIRE BOARD CAME BACK AND SAID WE HAVE NO CONTACTS. WHAT DO WE DO? WHERE DO WE CALL? NOW I SAW THAT ONE OF MY ASSOCIATE MEMBERS AND MR. PIERCE, A LIST OF BACKGROUND CHECKS TO BE SUBMITTED A COUPLE OF YEARS AGO. WHAT HAPPENED TO THE ONES YOU HAD THEN? SO NOW YOU BEAT US OVER THE HEAD. THAT WE DIDN'T SUPPLY THEM AND WE DON'T EVEN HAVE TO SUPPLY REALLY, IT'S NOT A MANDATE. WE HAVE TO HAVE...

MR. PIERCE, SOLICITOR-THAT'S YOUR INTERPRETATION. I'M NOT GOING TO ENGAGE WITH YOU. YOU HAVE COUNSEL. I'VE DEALT WITH COUNSEL AND I'LL CONTINUE TO DEAL WITH COUNSEL AND I'M NOT GOING TO DEAL DIRECTLY WITH YOU.

CHIEF GRAF-THAT'S FINE, BUT...

MR. PIERCE, SOLICITOR-DON'T ENGAGE BECAUSE YOUR'E NOT GOING TO WIN.

COMMISSIONER LACEY-BANGS THE GAVEL.

MR. LASALLE-OKAY. SOMETHING I HEARD THE OTHER NIGHT. MONDAY NIGHT. THAT WE COULD PARTICIPATE IN THE SANTA RIDE IF THE LEVERAGE WAS PUT ON US TO SUPPLY THOSE COPIES. AGAIN, SO WHAT ABOUT EVERYBODY ELSE THAT'S INVOLVED? DO THEY HAVE THE SAME FORMS? I DON'T THINK SO.

COMMISSIONER LACEY-THE TOWNSHIP IS NOT INVOLVED IN THE SANTA RIDE. SO, I CAN'T COMMENT ON THAT.

CHIEF GRAF-BUT DIDN'T THEY APPLY FOR A PERMIT?

COMMISSIONER LACEY-YES, THEY DID.

CHIEF GRAF-DID THEY GET THE PERMIT?

COMMISSIONER LACEY-IT IS APPROVED.

CHIEF GRAF-SO, THEN THEY WOULD HAVE TO TURN IN THEIR BACKGROUND CHECKS, CORRECT? YOU'RE MAKING US DO IT.

MR. PIERCE, SOLICITOR-FOR A PARADE, NO.

CHIEF GRAF-THEY'RE GOING TO BE DEALING WITH KIDS. SHE STATED...

MR. PIERCE, SOLICITOR-THIS DOESN'T HAVE ANYTHING TO DO WITH THE PARADE.

CHIEF GRAF-SHE STATED MONDAY NIGHT.

MR. PIERCE, SOLICITOR-WHO IS SHE?

CHIEF GRAFF-MS. WHITAKER. SHE STATED, MONDAY NIGHT, IF WE WE'RE GOING TO DO A SANTA RUN WE HAD TO... THE ONLY PEOPLE THAT COULD DO IT IS PEOPLE THAT HAD THEIR BACK GROUND CHECKS.

MR. PIERCE, SOLICITOR-I DON'T BELIEVE THAT'S WHAT WAS SAID.

CHIEF GRAF-OH IT IS. HE JUST STATED IT. DAN JUST SAID IT.

MS. WHITAKER, MANAGER-SO, THE FIRE COMPANY IS REPRESENTING THE TOWNSHIP, RIGHT? YOU ALL RECEIVE WORKMAN'S COMP FROM US. SO, ESSENTIALLY, YOU'RE AN EMPLOYEE. THAT'S WHY THE COMMENT WAS MADE FOR YOU, IT HAS NOTING TO DO WITH PRIVATE CITIZENS HAVING SOMETHING FOR THEIR CHILDREN. AND THE OTHER PART OF THE COMMENT, MR. LASALLE, I DID SEND THE COUNTY A LIST OF ALL OF OUR CONTACTS, EMERGENCY COORDINATORS, FIRE MARSHALS AND EVERYTHING. THAT WAS SEVERAL MONTHS AGO.

CHIEF GRAF-NO YOU DIDN'T.

MS. WHITAKER, MANAGER-YES, I DID.

CHIEF GRAF-IT'S RIGHT THERE ON PAPER, FROM THE COUNTY.

MS. WHITAKER, MANAGER-LISTEN, I'M NOT GOING TO DEBATE WITH YOU. ALL I KNOW IS THAT I RECEIVED AN EMAIL FROM THE COUNTY AND I RESPONDED AND I SENT IT BACK.

CHIEF GRAF-IS YOUR NAME ON THERE? YOUR PHONE NUMBER?

MS. WHITAKER, MANAGER-SILENCE.

CHIEF GRAF-THE QUESTION IS EITHER A YES OR A NO. YOU HAVE DRUGED THIS TOWNSHIP DOWN SINCE YOU'VE BEEN HERE. YOU NEED TO RESIGN. YOU NEED TO BE FIRED.

MS. WHITAKER, MANAGER-AND THAT'S BECAUSE YOUR'E NOT HAPPY TO FOLLOW DIRECTIONS. I'VE BEEN HERE FOR THREE YEARS AND ASKING YOUR COMPANY, SPECIFICALLY GOODWILL TO TURN IN INFORMATION AND DOCUMENTATION AND YOU DO NOT. SO, YOU'RE UPSET BECAUSE FOR THE LAST THREE YEARS YOU HAVEN'T COMPLIED WITH THE TOWNSHIP. YOU'RE A LIABILITY. WE DO NOT WANT TO BE ON THE FRONT OF THE NEWSPAPER, LIKE FOLCROFT.

CHIEF GRAF-YOU'RE A LIABILITY FOR THE TOWNSHIP WITH THE STUFF THAT YOU PULL.

MS. WHITAKER, MANAGER-I'M NOT PULLING ANYTHING. I AM FOLLOWING THE DIRECTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS. I'M NOT ANSWERING ANY OF YOUR QUESTIONS.

CHIEF GRAF-BECAUSE YOU DON'T HAVE THE ANSWER? I HAVE IT HERE IN BLACK AND WHITE. I ASKED THE COUNTY TO CONTACT THE TOWNSHIP MANAGER. RIGHT HERE, NO CONTACT NUMBER. WHY NOT?

COMMISSIONER SMITH-CAN I SEE YOUR DOCUMENTATION?

MS. WHITAKER, MANAGER-I DON'T KNOW WHO YOU'RE TALKING TO.

CHIEF GRAF-I'M TALKING TO YOU.

MS. WHITAKER, MANAGER-NO. I DON'T KNOW WHO YOU'RE TALKING TO AT THE COUNTY. I KNOW YOU'RE TALKING TO ME AT THIS POINT BUT I'M NOT SURE WHO YOUR CONTACT WAS.

CHIEF GRAF-I'M TALKING TO THE DISPATCHER, THIS IS THE PRINTOUT. IT SAYS, YOU'RE NOT ON THERE.

MS. WHITAKER, MANAGER- I CAN'T ADDRESS WHAT THEY GAVE YOU. I KNOW WHAT I RESPONDED TO.

CHIEF GRAF-HOW CAN YOU RESPOND TO IT IF IT'S RIGHT HERE IN BLACK AND WHITE?

COMMISSIONER LACEY-WE'LL LOOK INTO IT. JUST BECAUSE THINGS ARE RESPONDED TO DOESN'T MEAN THEY GET ADDED... WE ALL KNOW THAT.

CHIEF GRAF-SHE PLAYS GAMES.

MS. WHITAKER, MANAGER-NO, YOU PLAY GAMES.

CHIEF GRAF-YOU BEEN PLAYING GAMES. YOU DO MEETINGS BEHIND PEOPLE'S BACKS. YOU MAKE THIS TOWNSHIP A DISGRACE.

MS. WHITAKER, MANAGER-REALLY. NO, YOU DO THAT ALL BY YOURSELF.

COMMISSIONER LACEY-BANGS THE GAVEL.

CHIEF GRAF-SHE NEEDS TO BE FIRED.

ALICIA CARR, 628 MAGNOLIA AVENUE-LAST MONTH I HAD ASKED ABOUT THE FIRE STUDY FOR THE TWO REMAINING FIRE COMPANIES. I BELIEVE NICOLE YOU SAID YOU WOULD BE MEETING WITH (INAUDIBLE) COREY AND DID THAT HAPPEN AND CAN WE EXPECT AN UPDATED REPORT POSSIBLY FOR (INAUDIBLE)?

MS. WHITAKER, MANAGER-SO, WE MET ON NOVEMBER THE 23RD. MYSELF AND THE TWO FIRE CHIEFS. THE MEETING REVIEWED THE FIVE OR SIX POINTS THAT WE SHOULD BE ADDRESSING AS A TOWNSHIP. THAT WAS PRETTY MUCH THE GIST OF THE MEETING. MY TAKEAWAY FROM THAT IS THAT HE IS GOING TO DO CHECK-INS TO SEE HOW WE ACCOMPLISH THOSE BULLET POINTS. SO, I DON'T KNOW THAT HE IS GOING TO BE BUSY. GIVE US ANOTHER OFFICIAL 70 PAGE DOCUMENT, RIGHT. SO, I THINK WE'RE JUST GOING TO GO THROUGH EACH BULLET POINT AND DO CHECK-INS WITH HIM.

MS. CARR-SO, HE WON'T UPDATE THE EXISTING REPORT OR UPDATE GOODWILL'S INFORMATION THAT WASN'T SUPPLIED ORGINALLY AND/OR DARBY TOWNSHIP...

MS. WHITAKER, MANAGER-NO. HE'S EXTREMELY BUSY. HE DOESN'T WANT US TO WAIT ANOTHER YEAR FOR A REPORT. SO, HE WANTS TO DO CHECK-INS BASED ON THE STANDARDS HE SUPPLIED IN THE ACTUAL REPORT.

MS. CARR-SO, DO YOU THINK THAT WILL DELAY ANY INFORMATION REGARDING THE BUDGET OR WILL THE BUDGET BE STATUS QUO AS FAR AS NOVEMBER'S PRELIMINARY BUDGET? THE IMPACT TO THE BOTTOM LINE FOR FIRE AND EMERGENCY SAFETY FOR THE TOWNSHIP.

MS. WHITAKER, MANAGER-I DON'T FORESEE ANYTHING. AT THIS POINT WE HAVE TWO COMPANIES SO THAT'S ACTUALLY GOING TO PROVIDE US WITH ESSENTIALLY MORE RESOURCES AS OPPOSED TO HAVING THREE COMPANIES. SO, I DON'T REALLY FORESEE ANYTHING BUT I CAN'T REALLY BE DEFINITIVE.

MS. CARR-CAN WE STILL RELY ON UPPER DARBY, PRIMOSE, SECANE FOR BACKUP SUPPORT?

MS. WHITAKER, MANAGER-HOPEFULLY. RIGHT NOW, THEY ARE STILL ON OUR LIST AND WE DON'T HAVE ANY PLANS TO... YOU KNOW, THAT WOULD BE FROM THE BOARD BUT WE HAVEN'T DISCUSSED IT AND UPPER DARBY HASN'T SAID THEY WERE PULLING OUT OF THE AGREEMENT.

MS. CARR-THE REASON WHY I AM ASKING IS WHEN YOU LOOK AT THE NEWS NOW DAYS, PEOPLE ARE SUFFERING WITH HEAT. THEY ARE USING ALTERNATIVE MEANS, SUCH AS KEROSENE HEATERS, STOVES, WHATEVER. SO, YOU ARE SEEING AN UP TICK IN FIRES IN PHILADEPHIA AND DELAWARE COUNTY. SO, I AM CONCERNED THAT YOU DO HAVE APPROPRIATE COVERAGE.

MS. WHITAKER, MANAGER-WE ARE TOO.

THERE WAS NO OTHER PUBLIC COMMENT. COMMISSIONER LACEY CLOSED PUBLIC COMMENT.

COMMISSIONER FITZ MOVED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE REGULAR BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING HELD ON OCTOBER 12, 2022. IT WAS SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SMITH. FOUR APPROVED. MOTION CARRIED. COPY ATTACHED.

COMMISSIONER FITZ MOVED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS BUDGET MEETING HELD ON NOVEMBER 9, 2022. IT WAS SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SMITH. FIVE APPROVED. MOTION CARRIED. COPY ATTACHED.

COMMISSIONER FITZ MOVED TO APPROVE THE LIST OF BILLS FOR OCTOBER 2022 AND NOVEMBER 2022. IT WAS SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SMITH WITH SCRUTINY. FOUR APPROVED. MOTION CARRIED. COPY ATTACHED.

COMMISSIONER FITZ MOVED TO APPROVE THE TREASURER'S REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER 2022. IT WAS SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SMITH WITH SCRUTINY. FOUR APPROVED. MOTION CARRIED, COPIES ATTACHED.

COMMISSIONER FITZ MOVED TO APPROVE THE TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER 2022. IT WAS SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SMITH. FOUR APPROVED. MOTION CARRIED. COPY ATTACHED.

COMMISSIONER FITZ MOVED TO APPROVE THE FINAL BUDGET FOR 2023. IT WAS SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SMITH. FOUR APPROVED. MOTION CARRIED, COPY ATTACHED.

COMMISSIONER LACEY-AND JUST TO MENTION THAT MOTION TO APPROVE THE BUDGET IS NO TAX INCREASE FOR 2023. THE ONLY INCREASES WOULD BE FOR TRASH AND FOR SEWER. FOUR APPROVED. MOTION CARRIED. COPY ATTACHED.

COMMISSIONER TALIAFERRO MOVED TO APPROVE THE 2023 BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING SCHEDULE. IT WAS SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FITZ. FOUR APPROVED. MOTION CARRIED. COPY ATTACHED.

COMMISSIONER TALIAFERRO MOVED TO APPROVE THE 2023 BOARD/COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE. IT WAS SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FITZ. FOUR APPROVED. MOTION CARRIED. COPY ATTACHED.

COMMISSIONER TALIAFERRO MOVED TO APPROVE THE 2023 HOLIDAY SCHEDULE. IT WAS SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FITZ. FOUR APPROVED. MOTION CARRRIED. COPY ATTACHED.

COMMISSIONER TALIAFERRO MOVED TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO 2022-14 PA SMALL WATER AND SEWER GRANT. IT WAS SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FITZ. FOUR APPROVED. MOTION CARRIED. COPY ATTACHED.

COMMISSIONER TALIAFERRO MOVED TO ADOPT THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT APPLICATION RESOLUTION NO. 2022-15 FOR THE PRIORITY PROJECT LINCOLN PARK PLAYGROUND UPGRADES AND ALTERNATIVE PROJECT CONWAY PARK WALKWAY INSTALLATION. IT WAS SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SMITH. FOUR APPROVED. MOTION CARRIED. COPY ATTACHED.

COMMISSIONER TALIAFERRO MOVED TO ADOPT TAX RESOLUTION NO. 2022-16. IT WAS SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FITZ.

COMMISSIONER LACEY-RESOLUTION NO. 2022-16 WILL BE SET (INAUDIBLE) FOR NEXT YEAR. IT WAS SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FITZ. FOUR APPROVED. MOTION CARRIED. COPY ATTACHED.

COMMISSIONER FITZ MOVED TO APPROVE FIRE SERVICES ORDINANCE NO. 750, IT WAS SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SMITH.

MR. PIERCE, SOLICITOR-JUST FOR CLARIFICATION THAT DON'T HAVE TO BE ADVERTISED. THERE HAVE BEEN NO REQUEST FOR CHANGES. SO, YOU ARE AUTHORIZED THE SOLICITOR TO ADVERTISE THAT PARTICULAR ORDINANCE FOR APPROVAL AT THE JANUARY MEETING AS WRITTEN. FOUR APPROVED. MOTION CARRIED. COPY ATTACHED.

COMMISSIONER FITZ MOVED TO APPROVE INVOICE NO. 10095 TO 95 SIGNS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,985.00. IT WAS SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SMITH. FIVE APPROVED. MOTION CARRIED. COPY ATTACHED.

COMMISSIONER FITZ MOVED TO PAY 10-8 EMERGENCY VEHICLE SERVICES INVOICE NO. 25877 IN THE AMOUT OF \$269.95. IT WAS SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SMITH. FOUR APPROVED. MOTION CARRIED. COPY ATTACHED.

COMMISSIONER FITZ MOVED TO PAY 10-8 EMERGENCY VEHICLE SERVICES INVOICE NO. 25878 IN THE AMOUT OF \$269.95. IT WAS SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SMITH. FOUR APPROVED. MOTION CARRIED. COPY ATTACHED.

COMMISSIONER FITZ MOVED TO PAY 10-8 EMERGENCY VEHICLE SERVICES INVOICE NO. 25879 IN THE AMOUT OF \$269.95. IT WAS SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SMITH. FOUR APPROVED. MOTION CARRIED. COPY ATTACHED.

COMMISSIONER FITZ MOVED TO ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION OF JOHN POPE METTS, SR. FULL-TIME CODE ENFORCER, EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 9, 2022. IT WAS SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SMITH. FOUR APPROVED. MOTION CARRIED.

PROFESSIONAL REPORTS

ENGINEER REPORT-GIVEN BY LISA CATANIA, ENGINEER

COMMISSIONER SMITH MOVED TO ACCEPT THE ENGINEERS REPORT. IT WAS SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER TALIAFERRO. FOUR APPROVED. MOTION CARRIED. COPY ATTACHED.

SOLICITOR REPORT GIVEN BY MR. PIERCE, SOLICITOR.

COMMISSIONER SMITH-AS MENTIONED THE OTHER EVENING IN REGARDS TO WAWA PROPOSING FOR LIQUOR TO BE SERVED...

MR. PIERCE, SOLICITOR- TAKE OUT SERVICE.

COMMISSIONER SMITH-TAKE OUT SERVICE AND WE SPOKE ABOUT THE SAFETY AND THE SITUATION WITH THE COMMUNITY.

MR. PIERCE, SOLICITOR-ANYBODY CAN CERTAINLY SPEAK AT JANUARY'S...

COMMISSIONER SMITH-WE'LL TALK ABOUT IT IN JANUARY. THE OTHER WAWAS DON'T HAVE THOSE IN THE IMMEDIATE AREAS. FOLCROFT, GLENOLDEN.

MR. PIERCE, SOLICITOR-THEY MAY OR MAY NOT.

COMMISSIONER SMITH-THEY DON'T. FOLCROFT, GLENOLDEN, PHILADELPHIA.

MR. PIERCE, SOLICITOR-I KNOW THAT. EACH ONE STANDS ON ITS OWN.

COMMISSIONER SMITH-RIGHT. I DON'T THINK IT WOULD BE BENEFICIAL TO HAVE THAT ON OUR SIDE OF THE TOWNSHIP. AND THAT'S JANUARY? THAT WAS AT 7:00 P.M.

MR. PIERCE, SOLICITOR-THAT'S WHEN IT'S ADVERTISED FOR, YES, SIR.

COMMISSIONER SMITH MOVED TO APPROVE THE SOLICITORS REPORT. IT WAS SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER TALIAFERRO. FOUR APPROVED. MOTION CARRIED. COPY ATTACHED.

POLICE REPORTS GIVEN BY CHIEF SOUSA FOR OCTOBER 2022 AND NOVEMBER 2022.

COMMISSIONER SMITH-I SPOKE TO YOU VIA TEXT MESSAGE, I THINK LAST WEEK, IN REGARDS TO ADDITIONAL STOP SIGNS ON CLIFTON AVENUE. DID YOU GET A CHANCE TO EVALUATE THAT?

CHIEF SOUSA-WE SPOKE ABOUT THIS BEFORE. I'M IN I'M IN FAVOR FOR A STOP SIGN BEING PLACED THERE BECAUSE OF THE CHURCHES, WE HAVE A LOT OF ELDERLY DRIVERS DRIVING AND WE'VE HAD SOME NEAR MISSES. BUT WHEN IT COMES TO, BELIEVE IT OR NOT, I WAS ACTUALLY SURPRISED WHEN I RAN THIS REPORT. OUR REPORTING SYSTEM DOWN THE POLICE STATION WAS ESTABLISHED IN 2009. SO, THAT'S AS FAR BACK AS I CAN GO. SO, FROM 2009 TO TODAY, PRESENT DAY, WE'VE ONLY REPORTED ONE TRAFFIC ACCIDENT THERE IN THOSE YEARS. BUT I DO FEEL AS THOUGH A STOP SIGN WOULD BE WARRANTED IN FOUR WAY STOP.

COMMISSIONER SMITH-WHAT WOULD BE NEEDED TO HAVE THOSE STOP SIGNS PUT IN?

CHIEF SOUSA-I MEAN I DON'T KNOW, THE BOARD HAS TO APPROVE IT.

MR. PIERCE, SOLICITIR-WE HAVE TO APPROVE. IT WOULD HAVE TO BE BY WAY OF ORDINANCE.

COMMISSIONER SMITH-IT MUST BE AN ORDINANCE TO PUT A STOP SIGN UP?

MR. PIERCE, SOLICITOR-I'LL CHECK ON THAT BUT I BELIEVE THAT'S HOW IT HAPPENS.

COMMISSIONER SMITH-I'M GOING TO CHECK ON THAT ORDINANCE AS WELL. I DO RECALL COMMISSIONER SANDONE AND MR. JUDGE HAD AN ENCOUNTER IN REGARD TO A STOP SIGN, DO NOT ENTER. THE COMMISSIONERSAID TAKE IT DOWN. MR. JUDGE SAID PUT IT UP. IT WAS A HEATED DISCUSSION AT A COMMISSIONERS MEETING. WE CAN PULL THOSE MINUTES. AT THE END OF THE DAY THE COMMISSIONER... THERE WAS NO ORDINANCE AT THAT TIME. IT WAS A TRAFFIC DEVICE. WE COULD BOTH AGREE IT WOULD BE BENEFICIAL TO HAVE THE TRAFFIC SLOW DOWN. SO, WHATEVER IT TAKES TO GET THAT DONE. WE CAN ADDRESS THAT. IF IT IS AN ORDINANCE, VERY GOOD. WE COULD EITHER WRITE AN ORDINANCE FOR THAT. GO AHEAD MS. CATANIA...

MS. CATANIA, ENGINEER-SO, THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS CAN APPROVE A LOCATION ON THE STOP SIGN FOR A TEMPORARY PERIOD OF THIRTY DAYS TO DETERMINE WHETHER OR NOT IT IS A VIABLE LOCATION. I WILL TELL YOU THAT THE PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION SIGNS REGULATIONS ACTUALLY SHOWS WARRANTS OF WHETHER OR NOT A STOP SIGN SHOULD BE PLACED AT THIS PARTICULAR LOCATION. ACCIDENTS IS ONE OF THEM. YOU DOB'T USE STOP SIGNS FOR SPEEDING. IT DOESN'T WORK UNFORTUNATELY BUT THE BOARD HAS THE RIGHT TO DO THAT FOR THIRTY DAYS. I BELIEVE IF YOU HAVE TO UPDATE THE CURRENT ORDINANCE.

MR. PIERCE, SOLICITOR-TO MAKE IT PERMANENT...

COMMISSIONER SMITH-THAT WOULD BE GREAT. SO, IF WE COULD PUT THIS UNDER NEW BUSINESS. WE WOULD CONSIDER THAT DONE.

CHIEF SOUSA-DOES IT HAVE TO GO TO VOTE TO PUT A STOP SIGN THERE FOR THIRTY DAYS. YEAH, UNDER NEW BUSSINESS AND WE'LL GET THAT SET UP.

COMMISSIONER SMITH-SECONDLY, SPEED DEVICES.

CHIEF SOUSA-I KNOW IN OCTOBERS MEETING THAT WAS APPROVED. I DID SOME LEG WORK ON THAT SO RIGHT AFTER THAT MEETING I DID GET QUOTES. THE CHEAPEST QUOTES I WAS GETTING AT THE TIME WAS \$4,500.00 A PIECE. THAT WAS BECAUSE WE WEREN'T INVOLVED IN A SPECIFIC SOURCE WELL. IT TOOK ME A LEG WORK TO GET US INTO THIS SOURCE WELL. SO, THEY ARE CURRENTLY ORDERED. THEY ARE IN EXPEDITED SHIPPING AT NO EXTRA COST. SO, FROM THE \$4,500.00 THAT THEY WERE

ORIGINALLY, IT PROBABLY PUSHED US UP TO THE POINT WHERE WE HAVE TO COME BACK, GET THREE QUOTES. WE ARE UNDER THAT. SO, TOTAL WE ARE AT \$67,494.

COMMISSIONER SMITH-WHEN WERE THEY ORDERED?

CHIEF SOUSA- THEY WERE ORDERED TODAY. I JUST GOT SOURCE WELL BACK TODAY.

COMMISSIONER SMITH MOVED TO APPROVE THE POLICE REPORTS. IT WAS SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FITZ. FIVE APPROVED. MOTION CARRIED.

FIRE MARSHALS REPORT-GIVEN BY JIM CHILDS, ASSISTANT FIRE MARSHAL.

COMMISSIONER SMITH-THIS IS JUST A FOLLOW UP. DID YOU GET A CHANCE TO COORDINATE WITH THE BUSINESS MANAGER IN REGARD TO THE ENGINE?

MR. CHILDS, ASSISTANT FIRE MARSHAL-I DID. I CONTACTED HALO TODAY. I SPOKE WITH WAYNE, WHO'S IN CHARGE OF HALO. THE ENGINE THAT'S SITTING UP IN CARLINGTON IS READY FOR SERVICE. THE ONLY PROBLEM THAT WE HAVE, IT'S MISSING THE CAPS THAT GO ON THE PUMP SO THEREFORE THERE CAN'T BE A PUMP TEST DONE TO IT BECAUSE THERE'S NO CAPS AND THERE'S NO APPLIANCES TO DO THE PUMP TEST. SO, I'M GOING TO MEET WITH CHIEF BOBO TO SEE IF HE HAS ANY EXTRA CAPS THAT'LL BE ABLE TO GO ONTO THE SIDE OF THE PUMPS. THE PUMPS INTAKES THAT WE'LL BE ABLE TO DO A PUMP TEST. AT THAT POINT WE'LL GET A PUMP TEST DONE. YOU KNOW MAYBE GOODWILL MIGHT HAVE SOME CAPS FOR ME I MIGHT BE ABLE TO DO. I NEED CAPS AND I NEED SOME APPLIANCES TO DO A PUMP TEST. EVERYTHING ELSE WITH THAT ENGINE IT'S SITTING UP IN CARLINGTON, IT'S GOOD TO GO. THE LIGHTS WORK. THE PUMP SAW IS WORKING. ALL THE GAUGES ON BOARD ARE WORKING. AS FAR AS THE OTHER ENGINE SITTING UP THERE, HE STILL HAS WORK TO BE DONE ON THAT.

COMMISSIONER SMITH-THERE WAS NO DIRECTIVE, TO MY KNOWLEDGE TO START REPAIRING THE...

MR. CHILDS, ASSISTANT FIRE MARSHAL-HE LOOKED AT IT. HE PULLED IT IN AND LOOKED AT IT. IT'S SITTING UP IN HALO, THE SECOND ENGINE THAT WAS UP THERE THAT ALL THE GAUGES WERE TAKEN OFF OF IT MISSING. IT'S SITTING UP THERE, HE'S LOOKING AT IT. THE PROBLEM WAS IS A LOT OF THE STUFF THAT WAS TAKEN OFF OF IT WAS HARD TO GET TO REPLACE. SO, WAYNE AND THE TOWNSHIP MANAGER AND I ARE... ALL THREE OF US NOW ARE WORKING ON GETTING THE TRUCK THE STUFF, TRYING TO WORK ON IT. THERE ARE LADDERS. STATION 76 HAS LADDERS FOR THE ONE UP IN CARLINGTON BUT THERE'S NO LADDERS ON IT. THERE'S NO OTHER EQUIPMENT (INAUDIBLE), PIPE HOLES OR ANYTHING. THERE'S NOTHING AS FAR AS EQUIPMENT ON THAT TRUCK. SO, WE HAVE LADDERS FOR IT NOW. SO, ONCE WE WERE ABLE TO GET THE CAPS THAT I NEED TO PUT ON IT I'LL BE ABLE TO GET A PUMP TEST DONE.

COMMISSIONER SMITH-SO, THIS MIGHT NOT BE FOR YOU. MAYBE THIS IS A QUESTION FOR THE BOARD OR THE SOLICITOR. IS THERE ANYTHING THAT TGHHE TOWNSHIP OF DARBY CAN DO TO RECOVER FINACIALLY TO GET SOMETHING FROM THE BRIARCLIFFE

INCORPORATION OR IT'S REMAINING ENTITIES TO RECOVER THE ORIGINAL ITEMS THAT CAME WITH THAT TRUCK? THAT TRUCK WAS PURCHASED. IT CAME WITH LADDERS AND LIGHTS AND THINGS OF THAT NATURE. AT LEAST FOR THE ONE TRUCK.

MR. PIERCE, SOLICITOR-I DON'T KNOW THE ANSWER TO THAT. I'LL HAVE TO TAKE A LOOK...

COMMISSIONER SMITH-I DON'T KNOW IF THEY HAVE FUNDING AVAILABLE OR NOT. IF THAT'S THE CASE, THEN IT GOES BACK TO MY ORIGINAL STATEMENT MONTHS AGO, PUT A LIEN ON THAT PROPERTY.

MR. PIERCE, SOLICITOR-WE JUST CAN'T PUT A LIEN ON PROPERTY.

COMMISSIONER SMITH-WHATEVER LEGAL STEPS WE HAVE TO TAKE.

MR. PIERCE, SOLICITOR-IT'S NOT AS SIMPLE AS YOU MAKING A MOTION AND IT HAPPENS.

COMMISSIONER SMITH-NO, I'M SAYING TO THE TOWNSHIP OF DARBY THAT WOULD BE MY SUGGESTION. WHATEVER WE CAN DO. UNLESS WE HAVE SOME EXTRA FUNDS TO GET THIS ONE APPARATUS UP AND RUNNING. THAT'S THE MAJOR THING. I BELIEVE MS. CARR IS CONCERNED ABOUT THE SAFETY. YOU CAN GET THE TRUCK UP AND RUNNING AND GET SOME OTHER THINGS OUT OF THE SERVICE. IF THERE'S ANYTHING ON 76-1 THAT WE CAN UTILIZE TO PUT ON THE ENGINE. THE OTHER THING WAS LET'S BRING THE TRUCK DOWN HERE FROM WHEREVER IT'S AT. PUT IT AT GOODWILL STATION SO WE CAN START SIZING THE TRUCK UP TO GET IT INTO SERVICE FASTER. THAT WAS MENTIONED SEVERAL TIMES AGO. DO I NEED TO MAKE THAT EMOTION TONIGHT TO GET THAT APPROVED, OR HOW DOES THAT WORK?

COMMISSIONER LACEY-I BELIEVE THE FIRE MARSHAL IS SAYING HE'S GETTING IT PUNCH TESTED.

COMMISSIONER SMITH-WAYNE TOLD ME A FEW MONTHS AGO, AND WE EGOT A BILL, THAT THE TRUCK WAS ALREADY TESTED. YOU KNOW THAT IT'S MISSING SOME CAPS AND SOME SMALL THINGS. I DON'T SEE WHAT THE HOLD UP IS. THE TRUCK HASN'T BEEN RENAMED.

MR. CHILDS, ASSISTANT FIRE MARSHAL-I HAVENT LOOKED AT IT. I HAVEN'T BEEN UP THERE. I WAS GOING TO UP THERE THURSDAY AND LOOK AT IT...

COMMISSIONER SMITH-WELCOME ABOARD TO THE TOWNSHIP OF DARBY. MONTHS AGO, IT WAS STATED THAT 95 SIGNS WAS GOING TO RELETTER THE TRUCK. WHEN I SAW THE TRUCK, I DIDN'T REALIZE THAT THIS IS AN INTENSIVE JOB BECAUSE IT'S ALL OVER THE PLACE. SO, NOW WE ARE STILL BEHIND SCHEDULE. AND IF 95 SIGNS DOESN'T HAVE THE TIME TO DO THAT, I WOULD SUGGEST THAT THE TOWNSHIP REACHES OUT TO ANOTHER ENTITY TO RELETTER THE TRUCK. SO WE CAN GET THIS TRUCK UP AND RUNNING AT LEAST BY FEBRUARY. IT'S BEEN OVER A YEAR. THIS TOO MUCH. DOES THAT NEED A MOTION, MR. PRESIDENT?

COMMISSIONER LACEY-I DON'T BELIEVE SO I BELIEVE THAT MS. WHITAKER ALREADY HAS PRICING FOR 95 SIGNS.

COMMISSIONER SMITH-WELL 95 SIGNS THAT WAS TWO MONTHS AGO. NOW THEY JUST DID OUR POLICE CARS. SO, THE THING IS THEY SAID THEY DIDN'T HAVE TIME. NOW WE ARE GOING INTO THE WINTER MONTHS. LET'S FIND ANOTHER COMPANY THAT WILL GET IT DONE.

COMMISSIONER FITZ-WHY WOULD YOU PUT SIGNS ON IT WHEN IT'S NOT FUNCTIONAL YET. WHY WOULD YOU PULL FROM A SHOP TO HAVE IT LETTERED AND THEN BACK IN THE SHOP TO GET IT FUNCTIONAL.

COMMISSIONER SMITH-BECAUSE IT NEEDS TO BE, AS A FORMER FIRE FIGHTER, IT NEEDS TO BE SIZED UP BY THE CREW THAT'S GOING TO USE IT.

COMMISSIONER FITZ-WE NEED A FUNCTIONAL TRUCK BEFORE WE LETTER IT.

COMMISSIONER SMITH-THE TRUCK IS FUNCTIONAL ACCORDING TO WHAT WAS PAID. WE PAID MONEY. WHAT DID WE PAY WAYNE FOR? WHAT WAS THAT FOR? WE ALREADY PAID HIS SERVICES TO DO SOMETHING. TO GET THE TRUCK UP AND RUNNING. WE KNOW IT'S MISSING CAPS. THERE IS A BILL THAT'S STATED WE PAID HALO TO SERVICE THIS VEHICLE. WHEN I TALKED TO WAYNE, HE SAID THE TRUCK IS IN PRETTY GOOD CONDITION. THERE'S SOME SMALL THINGS THAT NEED TO BE TAKEN CARE OF SUCH AS CAPS. IT'S NOT A MAJOR THING. YOU GOT EBAY. YOU CAN CALL THE ORIGINAL COMPANY. DO WE HAVE THE BOOK AT THE TOWNSHIP WHEN THEY PURCHASED THE VEHICLE WHAT CAME WITH THE TRUCK. DO YOU KNOW MS. WHITAKER?

MS. WHITAKER, MANAGER-I DO NOT. I WASN'T ABLE TO FIND ANY SPECIFIC INFORMATION ON THE TRUCKS.

COMMISSIONER SMITH-THANK YOU. AGAIN, I WOULD REQUEST THAT WE WOULD HAVE THE TRUCKS REMOVED FROM THAT LOCATION, BACK TO DARBY TOWNSHIP. IN PARTICULAR, TO GOODWILL FIRE COMPANY. MAKE ARRANGEMENTS TO CHECK ON 95 SIGNS. IF THEY CAN'T GET THAT TRUCK LETTERED BY THE END OF JANUARY, LET'S GO WITH SOMEBODY ELSE. IN THE MEANTIME, WHILE THAT'S HAPPENING YOU CAN CHECK WITH STATION 76 OR SURROUNDING COMPANIES THAT MAY HAVE SOME EQUIPMENT THAT WE CAN GET FROM THEM. DARBY 4 ON THE TOP AT THE TOP OF THE HILL. THEY HAVE EQUIPMENT UP THERE WE CAN POSSIBLY GET FROM THEM. LET'S NOT DELAY THE process ANY LONGER. NOTHING FURTHER. THANK YOU.

COMMISSIONER SMITH MOVED TO ACCEPT THE FIRE MARSHALS REPORT. IT WAS SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FITZ. FOUR APPROVED. MOTION CARRIED. COPIES ATTACHED.

DARBY TOWNSHIP VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY STATION 76-GIVEN BY JAMES LEWIS.

GOODWILL FIRE COMPANY STATION 77 GIVEN BY CHIEF GRAF.

DISCUSSIONS ENSUED ABOUT THE DRASHER FAMILY.

COMMISSIONER SMITH MOVED TO ACCEPT THE FIRE CHIEFS' REPORTS. IT WAS SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FITZ. FOUR APPROVED. MOTION CARRIED. COPIES ATTACHED.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR REPORT GIVEN BY JIM CHILDS, EMERGENCY MANAGER COORDINATOR.

COMMISSIONER SMITH MOVED TO APPROVE THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT REPORT. IT WAS SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER TALIAFERRO. FOUR APPROVED, MOTION CARRIED. COPY ATTACHED.

COMMISSIONERS REPORTS

COMMISSIONER FITZ, WARD III-GAVE HIGHWAY REPORT.

COMMISSIONER SMITH-GOOD EVENING COMMISSIONER IN REGARD TO THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT FOR, IT SAY JANUARY, SEPTEMBER, NOVEMBER IT LIKE THESE ARE LIKE COPIED PASTE. LIKE IT'S JUST WRITTEN THERE. THE REASON WHY I AM ASKING OR STATING THIS IS BECAUSE THE DRAINS. THE SEWER DRAINS ARE FILLED WITH TRASH AND EVERY MONTH IT STATES THEY ARE CLEANING THE DRAINS.

COMMISSIONER FITZ-DO YOU HAVE ONE IN PARTICULAR IN MIND THAT YOU NEED ATTENTION TO.

COMMISSIONER SMITH-THE ENTIRE HOOK ROAD FROM TRIBBETT AVENUE ALL THE WAY DOWN TO...

COMMISSIONER FITZ-DID YOU REPORT THAT TO THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT SUPERVISOR OR THE TOWNSHIP MANAGER.

COMMISSIONER SMITH-DID I? NO, I WAS INSTRUCTED TO COME TO YOU.

COMMISSIONER FITZ-THEN I WOULD SUGGEST YOU MENTION YOU SUGGEST YOU MENTION IT TO THE TOWNSHIP MANAGER AND THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT SUPERVISOR. THIS IS THE FIRST I AM HEARING OF THIS.

COMMISSIONER SMITH-I SENT AN EMAIL. THE REASON WHY I AM BRIBGING IT TO YOUR ATTENTION NOW, PUBLICLY, BECAUSE IT WAS REPORTED SOME TIME AGO THAT WE JUST CLEANED ALL THE DRAINS AND WE ARE ABOUT TO GO HOME AND PREPARE FOR THE STORM. BUT IF YOU LOOK AT THE DRAINS, ALL THESE DRAINS ARE FILLED WITH TRASH AND DEBRIS.

COMMISSIONER FITZ-AND HOW DO YOU KNOW THEY WEREN'T ATTENDED TO?

COMMISSIONER SMITH-BECAUSE THE TRASH HAS BEEN THERE FOR A VERY LONG TIME. AND I WILL FORWARD YOU THE PICTURES.

DISCUSSION ENSUED.

COMMISSIONER SMITH-I'M JUST REQUESTING THAT WE GIVE SOME MORE ATTENYTION TO... (INAUDIBLE) HAVE LEAVES AT THE CORNER OF TRIBBETT AND NOBLET. BEEN THERE FOR OVER THREE WEEKS, I'LL SEND AN EMAIL.

COMMISSIONER FITZ-SEND AN EMAIL. COPY ME ON THE EMAIL.

MR. CHILDS-IFI COULD ADDRESS THE LEAVES ON TRIBBETT. I GOT A COMPLAINT TODAY AND I EXPLAINED TO THE LADY WHO CALLED INTO ME THAT THEY STOPPED COLLECTING LEAVES. THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT STOPPED COLLECTING LEAVES AND THEY'RE RAKING THEM OUT FROM THEIR YARD OUT ONTO THE CURB AND I EXPLAINED TO HER THAT THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT STOPPED COLLECTING LEAVES. SO THAT THEY WERE GOING TO BASICALLY, HAVE TO BAG THE LEAVES AND GET THEM BACK OFF THE STREET. SHE'S COMPLAINING THAT THE LEAVES ARE ON THE STREET AND THERE'S NOWHERE TO PARK.

COMMISSIONER SMITH-WELL THEY HAVE BEEN THERE A COUPLE OF WEEKS PRIOR TO THEM STOPPING. WHEN THEY WERE TRANSITIONING OVER...

MR. CHILDS-SHE DIDN'T EXPLAIN THAT TO ME. SHE JUST STSTED THAT THEY WERE THERE.

COMMISSIONER SMITH-I'M JUST SAYING. I LIVE THERE...

BRIAN WELSH, HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT-CAN I SPEAK ABOUT THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT AND THEM LEAVES FOR A SECOND? I WORK FOR HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT. THE LEAVES THAT YOU ARE SPEAKING ABOUT WE GOT ALL THOSE LEAVES OUT. WE WE'RE DONE AT DECEMBER 1ST. SO, THE LEAVES THAT YOU'RE SPEAKING ABOUT PROBABLY WAS PUT OUT AFTER THAT. I'M SURE I'VE BEEN ON THE LEAF TRUCK EVERYDAY THAT IT WENT OUT. SO, I KNOW THOSE LEAVES WERE PICKED UP PRIOR TO THE FIRST OF THAT MONTH.

COMMISSIONER SMITH-YOU CAME TO TRIBBETT AND HOOK ROAD LAST WEEK AND THEY GOT THE LEAVES. I THINK YOU MIGHT HAVE BEEN OUT ON VACATION OR SOMETHING. LET ME FINISH. YOU CLEARLY STATED THAT THEY STOPPED (INAUDIBLE) WHICH IS FINE. WHAT I DO KNOW. THEY CAME OUT ALMOST A WEEK AGO AND GOT THE LEAVES AT TRIBBETT AND HOOK ROAD. NOW, THE LEAVES WERE THERE BECAUSE IT WAS A GAS TANK ON TOP OF IT. IT'S BEEN THERE. THERE WERE LEAVES AT THE TOP OF TRIBBETT AND CLIFTON AVENUES FROM THE EMS CENTER. I THINK I MIGHT HAVE GOT THERE FOR THAT TOO. SO, IF IT'S OVER AND THEY DON'T KNOW, THEN THEY NEED TO BE NOTIFIED.

MR. WELSH-IT'S BEEN LIKE THAT FOR YEARS.

COMMISSIONER SMITH-YEAH, BUT THE THING IS WE GET A DOCUMENTATION. THE WHOLE TOWNSHIP DOES. ONCE A YEAR AND MOST OF THE PEOPLE THROW IT AWAY. THEY DON'T KNOW AND IT'S THEIR FAULT. I JUST KNOW IT NEEDS TO BE TENDED TO. 14

MR. CHILDS-WHEN I TALKED TO THE LADY TODAY ON THE PHONE, SHE SAID SHE WOULD NOTIFY THE PEOPLE ON THE BLOCK. AND NOTIFY THOSE PEOPLE THAT THEY ARE GOING TO HAVE TO RAKE THE LEAVES UP. I TOLD HER I COULD GO DOWN TO THAT BLOCK AS CODE ENFORCEMENT AND I COULD KNOCK ON THE DOORS AND DO IT. SHE SAID NO, SHE WOULD DO IT FOR ME.

COMMISSIONER SMITH-THAT'S THE CORNER HOUSE WHERE THEY ARE DOING WORK AT. THE CORNER PROPERTY OF TRIBBETT AVENUE THEY ARE DOING WORK AT THAT HOUSE.

MR. CHILDS-WELL SHE SAID SHE WOULD TAKE CARE OF IT FOR ME SO I DIDN'T GO DOWN THERE.

COMMISSIONER SMITH. IT'S STILL THERE.

COMMISSIONER TALIAFERRO, WARD II-GAVE REPORT ON PARKS & RECREATION AND THE LIBRARY.

COMMISSIONER SMITH-CONSIDERATION TO PURCHASE LED SIGNS FOR 2 STUDEVAN PLAZA COMPLETE WITH BRICK FACING. AUTHORIZE THE TOWNSHIP MANAGER TO SEEK OUT SOME BIDS AND SOME PRICING FOR THAT PROJECT.

SECONDLY, CONSIDERATION TO AUTHORIZE THE MANAGER TO REQUEST QUOTES FOR AUDIO VISUAL EQUIPMENT FOR THE COMMUNITY CENTER MEETING ROOM.

NUMBER THREE, REPAIR AND REPLACE CURB ENTRANCE ON HOOK ROAD AND SHARON AVENUE AS YOU ENTER STUDEVAN PLAZA DRIVE.

HOOK ROAD EXCAVATION TO HAVE THE BUSINESS MANAGER REACH OUT TO PENNDOT TO SCHEDULE A MEETING TO FIGURE OUT WHAT CAN BE DONE ABOUT HOOK ROAD IN REGARD TO EITHER EXCAVATING AND/OR ASPHALTING OR JUST ROUTINE MAINTENANCE IN A TIMELY MANNER.

TO INSTALL THE CURRENT SPEED BUMPS THAT WE HAVE. PUT THEM ON FORRESTER AVENUE. BETWEEN CLIFTON AND THE 1400 BLOCK OF FORRESTER AVENUE. AND TO ALSO, LOOK AT PURCHASING NEW SPEED BUMPS. GET A PRICE FOR THAT IF YOU COULD MS. WHITAKER.

COMMISSIONER GOUGLER-I HAVE NOTHING TO REPORT AT THIS TIME.

COMMISSIONER LACEY, WARD IV-GAVE THE LICENSE & INSPECTIONS REPORT. COPY ATTACHED. HE ALSO GAVE THE PLANNING AND ZONING REPORTS.

NEW BUSINESS

MS. WHITAKER, MANAGER-JUST A COUPLE OF COMMENTS. I JUST WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE TOWNSHIP'S FINANCE DEPARTMENT AND THE BOARD ITSELF THAT THERE'S NO MILLAGE INCREASE THIS YEAR. YOU ALL WILL HAVE A SEWER AND TRASH INCREASE AND THAT IS AGAIN BY THE SUPPLIER AND NOT THE TOWNSHIP. SO, THERE IS NO MILLAGE INCREASE FOR 2023. I ALSO WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE JOHN METTS, WHO WAS OUR FULL-TIME CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER AND THANK HIM FOR HIS SERVICE HERE TO THE TOWNSHIP. HE WILL BE MISSED. AND THEN FINALLY I'D LIKE 15

TO WISH EVERYONE A HAPPY HOLIDAYS AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU IN JANUARY.

COMMISSIONER SMITH-I WOULD LIKE TO REQUEST THAT THE BOARD AGREE TO HAVE NO TICKETS WRITTEN FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE YEAR. IN LIGHT OF THE HOLIDAYS AND FAMILIES COMING TO VISIT. FROM NOW UNTIL JANUARY 3RD.

COMMISSIONER LACEY-CHIEF, I THINK YOU ALREADY HAVE...

CHIEF SOUSA-YEAH, THAT'S USUALLY ALREADY ESTABLISHED. WE WANT TO GIVE CONSIDERATION TO FAMILY AND FRIENDS THROUGHOUT THE HOLIDAYS. OTHER THAN ILLEGALLY PARKED CAR, OBVIOUSLY COMMERCIAL, PARKED THE WRONG WAY, BLOCKING. WE USUALLY GO FROM ABOUT MID-DECEMBER TO ABOUT THREE WEEKS INTO JANUARY TO GIVE EVERYBODY THE OPPORTUNITY TO BUY PERMITS.

COMMISSIONER SMITH-AND WE CAN POST THAT ON THE WEB PAGE.

DISCUSSION ENSUED.

MS. WHITAKER, MANAGER-WE ACTUALLY START SELLING THE 2023 PARKING PASSES NEXT WEEK. TICKETS WILL NOT BE ISSUED THROUGH JANUARY. THAT WOULD GIVE EVERYONE AMPLE TIME TO GET THEIR PASSES. EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 1ST IS WHEN TICKETS WILL BE WRITTEN.

COMMISSIONER SMITH-LASTLY, HAS ANYONE CONTACTED PENNDOT IN REGARD TO THE LAST ACCIDENT ON HOOK AND GREENHILL ROADS? IT'S THE MEDIUM.

COMMISSIONER LACEY-MS. WHITAKER HAVE YOU BEEN IN CONTACT WITH THEM?

MS. WHITAKER, MANAGER-NO.

COMMISSIONER LACEY-CAN YOU MAKE A POINT TO DO THAT?

MS. WHITAKER, MANAGER-CAN I HAVE A POLICE REPORT OR NOT?

CHIEF SOUSA-DO YOU KNOW WHEN THE ACCIDENT WAS? ROUGHLY?

COMMISSIONER SMITH-SUNDAY?

CHIEF SOUSA-YEAH, I'LL GET YOU A REPORT.

COMMISSIONER FITZ-NO NEW BUSINESS.

COMMISSIONER TALIAFERRO-NO NEW BUSINESS.

COMMISSIONER GOUGLER-I HAVE NOTHING.

COMMISSIONER LACEY-I'D JUST LIKE TO WISH EVERYONE HAPPY HOLIDAYS. HAPPY NEW YEAR. SEE YOU ALL IN JANUARY.

COMMISSIONER TALIAFERRO MOVED TO ADJOURN. IT WAS SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SMITH. FIVE APPROVED. MOTION CARRIED.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

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