

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, JULY 10, 2017
7:00 P.M.**

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Abatta called the meeting of July 10, 2017 to order at the Robinson Township Municipal Complex, 1000 Church Hill Road, Robinson Township, PA 15205 at 7:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL: Mancini-Present, Barefoot-Present, Kisow-Present, Shiwarski-Present, Abatta- Present. Also in attendance were, Township Manager Silka, Assistant Manager Susko, Solicitor Jack Cambest, Public Works Supervisor Mike Volpe, Planning Director Rick Urbano, Engineer Barry Davidson and Township Secretary Kristen Police for the purpose of taking minutes.

Chairman Abatta: Before we get into the regular agenda which would be item #4 Township Engineer's Report and so on so forth, it's the chairman's responsibility or choice actually, to deviate sometimes from the regular agenda for what we feel are pertinent and important objectives.

I'd like to start the meeting and I am going to ask for a moment of silence for a former Commissioner that served in Robinson Township for many many years, so I'd like to tell you a little bit about Mr. Bianco.

Joseph Salvatore Bianco was age 89 of Robinson Township, passed away on June 13, 2017 with his family by his side. Joe Bianco served as Commissioner here at Robinson Township for eight years during the late eighties and early nineties. Joe was vice chair of the district flight control 40 as well as vice chair of the Council of Governments. Joe was also chairman of the Robinson Township Democratic party in the seventies and most recently was elected as a State Committee person which he held office for more than twelve years. Joe was a beloved husband of fifty seven years to Delores and the father of Anna, John, Michael, Delores Ann, William and grandfather of Nick, Justin, Joseph, William, Gabriel, and great grandfather of Grace and Nico.

Joe was survived by his sister, Rose Suter and numerous nieces and nephews. He was born on May 20, 1928 in Sheraden with John and Anna Bianco. He was a graduate of Langley High School, he was a U.S. Marine and a veteran of the Korean War. He was an active member of Holy Trinity Church where he served as a lectern for many years. He worked in the concrete industry as a driver and dispatcher for highway products and sales for Dravo Corporation and Beaver Valley Builder Supply. He retired as a consultant at a management engineering corporation. His legacy to his family was to work hard and play hard but only in that order.

It's with a sad eye that we are recognizing Mr. Bianco tonight. We have passings of many of our former Township Commissioners and authority people and like I say these people were the bedrock for this Township of which we are a Board here trying to carry on their tradition of excellence and their volunteer work that they so devoted their lives for.

At this point I am going to ask you for a brief moment of silence in memory of Mr. Bianco.

Thank you.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

The Engineer's Report is attached.

Barry Davidson: Thank you Mr. Chairman. The first item on our report is Commissioners action requested Arbor Trail Phase II, we are recommending that the Township reduce the bond from \$624,268.33 to \$604,218.63 and that is item #14 on your consent agenda.

The second action item is the 2017 Road Program: We are recommending payment to A. Folino in the amount of \$346,656.07 which is under budget and also we are holding a 2% retainage for some minor punch list items.

Chairman Abatta: Barry, let me reiterate this for a minute and I want to run it by Jeff with the 2% retainage fee that is being held for punch list, can you explain that because we have had some issues with some complaints from some of the people that want the roads that need some repair work done. Can you address that?

Mr. Silka: Sure Mr. Chairman, anytime you do a construction project and it's completed you pay what work has been done and you also hold a certain portion back which is 2% at this point, which is called a retainage and that is the last carrot so to speak for them to get all of their punch list items. We have had some cracked driveways, some other property damage that is par for the course for doing a paving project as you're milling and paving. So what we do ,we will not pay them 100% of their bill until all of our issues are satisfied and if they are not satisfied we will use that retainage to go and do the work.

Dr. Mancini: I have a question Jeff. Over on East Harbison, after the road was paved looks like one of the home owners there must be having some kind of sewer problem because there are white lines painted on the very brand new pavement, they must have had to dig. Do we know about that? If not, should we?

Mr. Silka: If it's a water and sewer issue we generally don't get prior knowledge.
Mr. Volpe, do you know anything about this?

Dr. Mancini: I just happened to drive by it this evening on my way here.

Chairman Abatta: Have they filed a claim or anything Jim do you know?

Dr. Mancini: No, it's a homeowner problem but it looks like they are going to dig up a section of the road that was just paved.

Mr. Silka: This is what will happen, they will have to get a street opening permit and they will have to repave that back to what it was before they opened it. So, it will be repaved and they will have to get a permit to do that, so it won't just be an open cut now with new paving.

Dr. Mancini: Ok, do you know if anybody has applied for that yet because it looks like they are digging right now. Ok, thanks.

CAPITAL PROJECTS

Clever Road Park Pool- The contractor is in the process of ordering equipment and we are preparing shop drawings as they come in and everything is on schedule to begin construction on August 14th.

Municipal Building- We began conceptual site design on the project and once the architect's submission gets approved we will continue with that design.

MS4- We are in the process of completing a pollution reduction plan which is a new requirement for the new MS4 program by DEP. That'll be completed by July 26th and that will need to be advertised for Public Comment and that will be available at the Township Office and on the website.

Burkett Park Access Road- We have completed conceptual designs for that roadway and are planning on meeting with the gas company since we are going to be disturbing some of their right-of-way.

DEVELOPMENTAL INSPECTIONS

Silver Summit Estates and Marks Landing – the two residential developments on Silver Lane. Also we had preconstruction meetings for Panda Express Site Plan and the Johnson Self Storage so those projects will begin shortly.

DEVELOPMENTAL REVIEWS

There is one site plan in the subdivision plan application that is currently under review and we are waiting on some further information from the applicant prior to scheduling it for the Planning Commission.

POLICE REPORT

Chief Vietmeier: Good evening everyone, for the month of June the police department answered 661 complaints for the year to date total of 4063. There were 101 traffic citations, 13 non traffic citations issued, 81 alarms, 44 adult criminal arrests, 2 juvenile arrests 38 accidents for the year to date total of 221. The mileage on the police cars was 24,143. Any questions?

Chairman Abatta: Chief, from the chair here I just want to give you some kudos again I know we had some issues, I had some issues, I had some phone calls from some residents about traffic safety and as usual you and your crew, your force jumped on it and did exactly what had to be done so I am thanking you for your quick response and your attentiveness you and your force. Thank you very much. I am sure the residents appreciate it also.

Chief Vietmeier: Thank you sir. You are quite welcome.

ADMINISTRATION UPDATE

Mr. Silka: Thank you Mr. Chairman, a few items to update the Board and the public on today. One is for those who don't know; about two weeks ago we came to work to find that we had our own little version of a Niagara Falls coming in the office. We had a water line break on the second floor that flooded the Board room, our planning department, our kitchen and our conference room and did some minor damage a lot more cosmetic but it was a lot of water that poured on to the floor and at this time I'd really like to thank Mike Volpe and the Public Works crew for getting here quickly and starting to do the mitigation to get the water turned off. We worked with Municipal Authority of Robinson Township to stop further damage and then also we had Duckstein disaster restoration come in within an hour's notice to start their disaster repair of this and we got the building dried out very thoroughly and now we are in the process of doing the upgrades and the remodeling, waiting for some stock to come in so hopefully in the next month we should get our building up to where it was before the water line broke but it was a first for me to have a major water line break in twenty five years inside a building. But the public works staff, the administration staff the planning staff, everyone worked together to get all the important electronics out. We didn't have any loss of equipment, just some wet carpets and some molding and some ceiling tiles so we are very fortunate, but it shows we can all work together. We are bringing in an outside contractor and the insurance will be covering this so we are on a full recovery from the water break.

On the agenda today are two motions for Falck Road. One is authorization to gate Falck Road at the Coventry junction that has been talked about for a while and there is a motion for that and secondly the authorization of a turnaround easement for Falck Road with Mr. and Mrs. Stumpf. They have been very cooperative knowing that once we close the road we are going to have to continue the turnaround for plow trucks and garbage trucks and they have worked with us to be able to get that on their property at no additional cost.

One issue that I never thought we would be addressing is the opioid addiction and crisis. The Board had asked me to meet with the Police Chief of Robinson and EMS to come up with how we can best inform our residents or get resources out to our residents with the opioid addiction. In our meetings we realize that as a municipal government we are not armed to actually combat the crisis but we can do is get the information out and we will have a button very prominently placed on our website to link to the states hotline and their web resources. The Governor has really put forth a lot effort to get the resources out there easily if you need help, if you need treatment, if you need Narcan, if you need assistance for family, anything, but if you have anyone that is currently suffering from an overdose you need to call 911. If you need help taking the situation to the next level the help line is there it is 1-800-662-HELP (4357). It will be on our website, it will be on our television station and we we'll have it posted but that is probably the best way we can make it available to our residents. Resources are there, you can find Pennsylvania resources, you can drill it down to county resources, so the resources are there, the help line is there but again I'll address-This is not if someone is experiencing a drug over dose or drug interaction- that is 911 to get the first responders there, this [help line] is if you want to address the problem down the road or if you are a caregiver or a parent that needs help on how to face it with someone you know. That is the response to the Board's request, and I hope it's suitable ,however we don't have a social service agency and we aren't equipped to do much more.

Dovetailing with the website- our new website will launch this week. It was redesigned, it is going to be coming online and will probably be coming online sporadically as they [the website developers] explained the process. Half the people may see the new one on Monday or Tuesday and may take a while to get everything in line but our new website will be live this week and at this time I'd like to thank Ms. Susko my assistant manager who spearheaded this project and worked on it so you will see the new formatted website and as I said this website will allow us to do real time edits there will be a ticker on there if we need to get a crisis or emergency message out. It will be a very modern interactive website and at the same time once we go live it's a living project we will be constantly fine tuning it to make it to where we need it. But you will see our new website probably everybody by Friday I am hoping.

With the beautiful weather we are having today who cannot think about swimming in our pool, but I just want to get on the record again our current pool closing schedule August 13th is a Sunday- we will close the pool at 4:00 p.m. That will open the door for August 14th Monday where the contractors are going to come in and start their renovations so we know our season is coming to an end quickly but in order to have this project started and completed by Memorial Day of next year we will be closing the pool early and opening a brand new pool, we will probably have some kind of event there on Sunday to commemorate the closing and then we will be there for the groundbreaking come May 18 so we are looking forward to that.

Once again as we are cleaning out our records, it is amazing how much volume of papers a municipal government through the decades can accumulate. We have another records destruction resolution as we are cleaning out making sure we don't move garbage or unneeded papers to the new building so that is kudos again to Ms. Susko who is spearheading that operation for us, keeping this moving and cleaning.

Lastly, I will be on vacation for the following week starting Friday and Ms. Susko will be manning the comms so to speak for the Township. I have full faith that she'll be able to ride out the week of my absence but the Board as usual will have my complete contact, I'll be available by phone or text. And that Mr. Chairman is my report.

FINANCE REPORT

Mr. Kezmarsky submitted a copy of the June Finance report which is attached.

Mr. Kezmarsky: Thank you. Earned income taxes collected for the month of June \$169,360, total year to date \$1,666,662. Real estate property taxes collected for the month of June \$2,163,246. Total year to date \$4,448,806. We are pretty much coming to the end of that. Income taxes for the month of June \$2,587 total year to date \$5480. Delinquent taxes \$1,005, total year to date \$71,617 and real estate transfers \$30,769 collected for June, total year to date \$219,165. Cash in the bank for the end of June \$3,421,493.

Chairman Abatta: Jerry, real quick can you reiterate for the public about the management letter that we received and just a quick synopsis of it?

Mr. Kezmarsky: I wasn't here for the audit conference last month but supposedly the audit review went very well, provided the information the auditors required, got pretty good passing remarks I think, what specific part of the letter would you like me to address?

Chairman Abatta: Let me throw it over to Jeff. Jeff can you, would you jump on that please?

Mr. Silka: Thank you Jerry, sure Mr. Chairman. As part of an audit you get a management letter which is kind of not in the public audit but it's kind of suggestions that help you become better in your financial controls, and our letter was very good, there were really no outstanding issues. The one issue that they did alert us to was that spending down surplus. Sometimes when you deficit-spend the budget that is a bad thing, however as we talked about in our audit reviews we budget surplus so that we know we are spending our surplus down because the other one would be to keep your surplus high and raise your tax rate. So that was probably the only main issue is- knowing that we have a fund balance and that we are spending the fund balance down which the Board is very aware of through the budget process and agrees to. And the other – is just

making sure that we have policies in place for credit cards, cash transfers, and that is a standard blurb, whenever you don't have anything bad to say you have to say something in your management letter so it's always making sure you are segregating your duties, making sure it's not the same person signing the checks, depositing the money etc. So we did get a very strong management letter that our practices are in compliance and we have no authentic financial issues.

Chairman Abatta: So sometimes no news is good news.

Mr. Silka: In an audit, it always is.

Chairman Abatta: Thanks Jeff, any questions gentlemen?

SUSTAINABILITY REPORT

Ms. Susko: Good evening gentlemen. Just a couple things this month. An update on the Duquesne Light grant: we were talking about this the last couple months where there is an opportunity for us to upgrade some of our street lights from the high-pressure sodium which is the older technology to LED technology. We were working on getting the list of all the different street lights in the Township for Duquesne. We do have that now, so I have been working with Mr. Volpe and Mr. Silka to kind of determine the different options that we have, how many places have at least ten street lights in a row that we can replace, maybe which is the higher wattage which is where we can get the most bang for our buck for the grant basically. So there are 97 pages of street lights listed individually that we are going to be reviewing and hopefully within the next week or two we should have some different options for where we would want to upgrade them, so that is where we are this month. I believe the grant is due in August so that's something we'll be wrapping up within the next couple of weeks at least in terms of choosing which ones we want to apply for.

The other item is the continuing of our intern's work on categorizing all the planning files, figuring out what we need to keep and what we don't. So Ms. Jankowski is going to be here for another month, I can't believe that she's been here for two months already, that seemed to go by really fast, but she's really got an incredible amount done just in the time she has been here. So, where we are at now is the total documents that we have cataloged is over 2,000 at this point, just different types of items, permits, reports things like that so that's totaling up at about 37,000 pages worth of documents that we have in the database that we can now search and then also, what we kind of didn't expect and why we do have this additional disposal resolution on this month is we didn't realize how many duplicates of plans that we are no longer required to keep once everything is passed, we do of course have the original individual copy that we are still keeping but in terms of just duplicate pages of documents that are destroyed we're now at over 24,000 so we put on another disposal resolution so Shred It can take the amount of boxes just so it is cost effective. Basically we wait till we

have a certain number of boxes to dispose of and she was able to get through so many documents this month that by putting this resolution on we were able to have them come by and pick up everything from last month and this month, she's really doing a great job. That's everything that I've got, if you have any questions I'd be happy to answer them.

Chairman Abatta: R.J., you'll be attending the MATR meeting next week?

Ms. Susko: I think it's this week.

Chairman Abatta: Ok, I'll touch base with you after that.

BUILDING INSPECTOR/ZONING OFFICER REPORT

Mr. Urbano submitted a copy of the May Building Inspector/Zoning Officer Report which is attached.

Mr. Urbano: Good evening gentlemen. Amount of fees collected for the month of June \$30,058. Total this month \$191,290. Improvement and/or new construction for June \$9,730,535, total improvement and new construction for the year so far \$35,428,094, that was a good month.

Dr. Mancini: Rick, do you know what they are doing on East Windhaven? They cleaned out just up from Route 60, they cleaned out the- looks like somebody cleaned out the trees and stuff on the one side, there's a church where their driveway comes down- just across from it. It's all cleaned out and there's gravel down.

Mr. Urbano: There are no permits; I didn't issue anything for anything over there.

Dr. Mancini: Well, it's all – they leveled out a good section.

Mr. Urbano: I'll check it out. They can clear and grub their own property.

Dr. Mancini: Right, it's just weird – it's just like all of the sudden there's a backhoe there.

Mr. Urbano: I'll check it out. Anything else?

Mr. Barefoot: Just the one that I had talked to you about when those plans are ready to acquire property signs will go up? I had a resident call me on that, for the Marks plan, off of Silver Lane and the other one off of the other side of Silver Lane. So when the property is available signs will go up, the same as –

Mr. Urbano: There will be preconstruction signs and the whole bit. It will go in steps. There will be real estate signs once they build the model home and then they start building some pre homes for sale. There will be signs by real estate people, right now there's no real estate person picked to sell those. That will be

the next step, I don't see that starting probably until March of next year, both Silver Lane projects by the time they get the roads in- that's when they'll start.

PUBLIC WORKS SUPERVISOR REPORT

Mr. Volpe submitted a copy of the June report which is attached.

Mr. Volpe: Thank you Mr. Chairman, I provided the Board with a full written report.

The highlights for the month- a lot of time and effort was put doing the prep work for the asphalt paving, a lot of those storm pipe catch basin repairs. Continued work on the Bicentennial Shelter addition and the landscaping. That project is over 90% complete, next couple weeks that'll be done. A lot of the work with the park and field maintenance is continuing. As Mr. Silka mentioned, we assisted in the flood clean up in the building. We participated with the library "Touch a Truck" program that was held here at the Township building. Another issue we had with flooding and water breaks was at the pool, I am sure all of the Board Members are all aware of the major water break that needed to be done at the pool. So that was handled in-house.

The major projects coming up- the restoration for paving the curb yard restorations, that will be ongoing with all the rain we have been having it's been difficult to get the top soil and get that project onward. It will continue. Traffic control painting- we will continue with that program and then the routine park will be done.

Chairman Abatta: Mike, my kudos goes out to you and your crew. I get calls, so when I get calls, you get calls and you and your guys jumped on everything and take care of everything and in a timely fashion that needs done and the way you're maintaining things is on the up and up so like I say continue to do a good job you and your fellows, we really appreciate it.

Mr. Volpe: I will pass that on to the department.

Mr. Barefoot: Mike, just one question, I don't know if Jeff can maybe address both yinz- Forest Grove with that water that runs down – I know that we are going to be back in the winter, do we have any updates from the county?

Mr. Silka: Yes, well it's not a county issue it's a Township issue- water is a Township issue- we did cite the property owner and went to the magistrate, the magistrate basically continued it because the property owner did say that they were going to fix it, actually it was in- on our meeting on Monday that we are going to figure out where it is because I don't want it to go back into the winter. If it doesn't get fixed in the next couple weeks we will cite them again and take it to the magistrate.

Mr. Barefoot: Ok, thanks.

Chairman Abatta: We have eight citizens signed in so please bear in mind that when you come to the microphone, identify yourself, spell your first name, spell your last name, of course you will have four minutes which is an ample amount of time to state your issues and the Board will take into consideration and hopefully be able to help you as far as your comments are concerned. I have a bunch of people signed in here today and I can't really read some of the last names here so please don't be upset with me. The first person to sign up is Andrea Kidrski- I know you – our ex secretary. I didn't even notice.

CITIZENS COMMENTS

Andrea Kidrski, 4630 Elizabeth Street – About a month ago my brother in law John went up to public works, he wanted to get mulch in his dump truck which is what he's done for the past twenty years, drives up gets the mulch. Mike from public works told him that he is no longer permitted to load the mulch onto the trailer but he told John that one of the summer employees, a young gentlemen who is a football player wanted Mike to load mulch into his dump truck. Ok, but Mike told him no he couldn't do it because he uses a front loader and that he would end up burying the truck ok, it would be too much mulch. The summer employee I guess went home and told dad- dad in turn went to Mr. Silka. So, my brother in law can no longer go up – they told him no he couldn't go to get his dump trailer loaded that they couldn't do it now. He has a three and half ton dump trailer it would take him probably about four hours to load it by hand, my brother in law is 72 years of age and it takes Mike like three minutes to put it on and he leaves. I would like to know who this person is that went to Mr. Silka and told him what was going on because his son went home and told him wasn't the manager, did he go to one of you that now my brother in law can't go up and get the mulch. I mean who is this person that has the authority- is it an elected person, do you pay him?

Chairman Abatta: Ok, is that the premise of your comments Andrea?

Ms. Kidrski: Right, I want to know.

Chairman Abatta: Well, I am going to tell you what little I know about it. I don't know if we are permitted or do we even let our operator load specific people or trucks, I'm not even sure what the process is, Jeff can you enlighten here? Commercial people are coming up there for stuff and you know.

Mr. Silka: Sure, as part of our recycling grant we collect the trees, we recycle them and the mulch is made available to the public. The public is free to take as much mulch as they want. However, you know, I am the one who gave the order not to load private vehicles. It is a bad practice to load private vehicles. One is that we have operators assigned throughout the Township, you have to have an operator pay grade to load and we can't make sure that there is an operator there for every time someone wants to come to load mulch and we can't say "you're here, we like you, we don't like you" so that is one issue. The other section is liability- if we are dumping mulch onto private vehicles and we damage vehicles we now have a liability on the financial side of things. The

mulch is there, if anybody wants to load they can load if want to bring their own machine they can bring their own machine, but we will not load private vehicles or commercial vehicles, we will load municipal vehicles and that is it.

Ms. Kidsrki: Ok, so now all of a sudden this is happening but in the past twenty years even though he had gone up and gotten it- and my thing is – is if this employee wouldn't load his pickup truck up. I mean I have gone up and loaded a pickup truck myself and I'm quite a few years older than somebody who is younger in his teens who is a football player. My bottom line is- I want to know who did this, who said it? Who is stopping it? Who stopped it?

Mr. Silka: I did. I wrote the policy, I wrote the memo.

Ms. Kidsrki: And who went to you?

Mr. Silka: It doesn't matter.

Chairman Abatta: I think what he telling you Andrea, is that – that is Township policy I think you are entitled...

Ms. Kidsrki: And this was effective when?

Mr. Silka: About a month or two ago, I mean the policy – it was selectively allowed and now we have a blanket policy that- the blanket policy is – no loading.

Ms. Kidsrki: My brother in law would go up if Mike was there to do it fine then he wasn't there he would come home and just check to see when he was there. And he's never had any problems or anything. Thank you.

Bernie Neuwirth, 849 Falck Road: Over the last twelve years I have kind of been the spokesperson for the residents of Falck Road and we have no less than three petitions in the commissioners hands and they are signed 100% of the residents of Falck Road stating that they didn't want Falck Road used for the Coventry or Stafford plan. And they didn't want the traffic on Falck Road and nothing had changed the residents, for whatever reason I seemed to be the spokesperson for those residents, they still feel that way. I just found out about this meeting a short time ago, so most of the residents are relatively old and you're not going to get them out on an evening like tonight and they still feel that same way. We understand that there is going to be a vote on this tonight. The reason for that is obviously they don't want additional traffic, however the main reason is, it's not the people that are living in the plan that they don't want on the road they don't want the traffic – they don't want the road being used as a short cut between Silver Lane and Clever Road. They are acutely aware of the problem that arose on Regina Drive years ago that became a nightmare, I am sure the chief could attest to and probably some of the Commissioners that are aware of as well. They fear that – that could happen. It wouldn't be a problem with the residents of the plan or of Falck Road. It would be people that don't live in the plan or on Falck Road that would become a short cut. A gate that you're talking about erecting would solve that problem but then that prohibits the people in the plan

from using Falck Road, if possible give the people in the plan access through that gate in some fashion I mean that could solve that problem. And that could satisfy everyone, it's not that we don't want to be un-neighborly in any way, that could very well satisfy everyone's needs. we are concerned about traffic that doesn't live in the area. Originally when I talked to people I walk through the plan often actually daily walking dogs, and as I talk to people about anything, just talking to people, most people wanted it open but as I spoke to people and we talked about things, just general conversation they started to understand, some of them, especially the ones with kids, they started to understand that traffic that doesn't belong there could be a problem and no less than four people have come up to me to say that I didn't agree with you at first now I agree with you because their kids are now playing on that road. They are riding their bicycles, they are seeing how nice it is to have – to live in a plan that's a great plan, people are very nice, they see how nice it is to have a plan that is safe for their kids to be on the road, to be on the sidewalks and not have to worry about traffic and I think that if that road becomes open to just anybody that all changes. I don't see the people who have come up to me and mentioned it to me; I don't see any of them. And that's unfortunate, it really is. And that's really all I have to say, I hope that we can come up with some sort of arrangement, I mean a gate that you guys have access to would be the perfect solution. Hopefully you guys have the answer and I hope that we can do something.

Traci Yates, 128 Coventry Drive: Hi my name is Traci Yates, I do live on 128 Coventry Drive and I am here tonight to speak on the possibilities of opening Falck Road to Coventry. I own two businesses in the area, one is a construction company and I believe in the process of communities of projects getting designed going through the approval process and then finally development occurring or construction happening and our community Stafford Park was developed and built with Coventry and Falck Road connecting. It shows up on all the GPS systems it has caused issues with people with deliveries, relatives coming and the GPS systems show that the roads are open and of course they come to a barrier that is blocking them from proceeding forward. Again we have processes in communities of design approval and construction and it was personal agendas that has created the current situation of the water barriers, I feel that – that is unfair. I feel that the Township approved a road connecting the two roads and I don't know how you ever come getting all the GPS systems corrected if Falck Road is closed and if there are safety concerns and this is one of the things that upsets me the most is that the community Stafford Park has not been fully surveyed to see what the community wants. I did a quick- I was away in Vermont over the weekend, I reached out to probably about forty of the sixty some residents out of that personal informal survey twenty wants it open, six wants it closed, and then a few were like we would like gates which I am not sure if they want a gate so they can access or not. Bernie's comment, if we could all access it that would solve everyone's problems. I have one more comment to make, sorry. It's the traffic studies, so my plea to the Commissioners is to at least give us a chance to see if we can open Falck Road I am not asking for a permanent decision for it to be open but only asking for an opportunity to open the road and do a traffic study to see what the traffic is right now on both Falck

Road and Coventry Drive which connects the roads and then open the road and do a traffic study and do car counts and if we have to do it again in six months because some people have concerns about people finding out. But what I also understand is when the development was approved that Clever Road and Silver Lane red light was improved to help increase traffic so the traffic would not be backed up to our community where Stafford Park is, I have never seen traffic be backed up from Clever red light to Stafford Drive that would make somebody want to cut through and that to me is the only way someone is going to cut through because it is so much quicker just to go to the red light and make a left than it would be to make a left on Stafford right onto Coventry, right onto Falck and travel a narrow road which is Falck Road it's not very inviting for anyone to take a short cut. It's more of a convenience to the community that we- in our agreement- thought that we would have two access roads in and out of our community. I think that's all I have, thank you.

Angela Crosby-Pigot: I am a resident of 103 Stewart Court, I live on the opposite side of Coventry and my concern is purely safety. As she mentioned when we signed our agreement to build our house that we were told there were going to be entrances, two ways to get in, two ways to get out. My concern is the safety aspect, that we only have one way in and one way out and I am not sure what can be done to fix that, I like the proposal of having access to the gate to being able to get in and get out if we have to, but one entrance makes me very uncomfortable with kids especially.

Chairman Abatta: Rudy? Is Rudy going to speak? (Rudy Pigot's wife spoke for both of them) you're smart, I do the same thing, I'm the boss in my house too, just ask my wife, she'll tell you.

Franki Corbett: My name is Frankie Corbett, I live at 107 Stafford Drive and I am in favor of opening the road. The reason being is that when I went to purchase my lot and build in the plan it was on the development plan that there would be two entrances or exits if that's what you want to call it. In addition to that Bernie had mentioned about some of the people "well for the safety of children " I get that however you don't close a road so children can play on the street, that's not a valid reason. I'm the fourth house in the plan so before homes in the home so what are we the black ducklings right that we absorb all the traffic past our home so the kids can play in the street, so that isn't just a valid reason, I believe it needs to be considered what people were saying with the gate for people to have access there's safety concerns there. I mean thirty seconds, a minute, three minutes that can all make a huge difference if there is a safety concern so I would ask the Board to consider as Traci mentioned doing some type of study opening it up for six months, what are we seeing from that are we seeing more people that don't belong in the community because we would equally have the same concerns as Bernie and the folks that live on Falck, we don't want people coming through our plan which would impact their street but we would also like the convenience of having that other entrance or exit for safety reasons as well as convenience. Thank you.

Megan Marks, Stafford Park: Good evening, my name is Megan Marks I am in support of opening the Falck Road and again to reiterate from some of the other community members is that safety really does count, I have a husband who is in law enforcement, he's aware of what seconds do for an emergency situation. We have two young daughters, one has a peanut allergy and she's very sensitized by other items. We have had the EMS at our home and our prior residence before and again getting the medics there to give her the epinephrine really made a difference because our injector didn't work so when you talk about using a card even I recognize that people want that level of access but quite frankly gates fail, crash gates fail so I am respectfully asking for you to go back and understand the reason why you approved the two point access and that being within your land and subdivision ordinances you actually have requirements within there that are written, under the streets, under the layouts, under the cul-de-sac restrictions there's a reason that you didn't allow for an additional cul-de-sac and that you wanted Falck Road open. I am in agreement that you have to watch- manage traffic within the plan but I think there are a lot of ways that you can do that. You can manage a maintenance and expectation of traffic. What you can't manage is those emergency situations when people get hurt whether it be a man cutting his grass and getting access to the blade and needing a tourniquet, or you can't access an allergic reaction- you don't know when that's going to happen and for these people who do have children you know I see a lot of things in our plan and in some sense you look at other communities, these kids- the street isn't a place to play, I recognize that you need to – kids want to ride their bikes and use their helmets and what have you. There's a safe way you can that, there's a lot of neighborhoods with children, Mt. Lebanon being one of them. There's a lot of those streets, most of those streets connect with one another and they control the traffic by different signs similar to Greentree. Certain periods of time where you are not allowed to make a turn. You can have local traffic signs, you manage it, monitor it and we rely on our police to manage that. I am respectfully asking that you revisit why you approved the two access plan and not look at wants but look at needs, there's a need for this access and that's why the regulation was written as such. There is also case law where Townships, where a local Township has fought to open a road, a private road- Peters Township vs. Russell they opened lower Mt. Blaine Road and that was a private road and they opened because of safety concerns and similarly there is another case out of Philadelphia where there was a gated community so a lot of these municipalities were requiring the access and so I am asking that you understand the reason for that. Thanks.

Mike Karaffa: I also live at 126 Coventry Drive-I am, in addition to everyone else in the audience, here to support opening Coventry Drive to the public for the same reasons that were mentioned before; for safety, for the promises made to us when we selected the homes in the first place. I have a few facts. I do support the notion that (inaudible) but I have a concern that all the folks that would need to have a pass code or card or whatever might need to open the gate with that happening appropriately so, I don't feel like it would require any more tax dollars or any kind of infrastructure- the roads are already there we just simply need to open it. A few points- Bernie mentioned Regina Drive which is approximately 100 meters long and I have driven it to see if it saves me any time at the light, if I

were to go past the old Clever Cone and kinda hang a right there coming in from Montour behind me to make the right over it does save time. Coventry to Stafford and Falck is over 800 meters long across three roads which is a very difficult way and I can't see the light that I would be avoiding in the first place so if I decided to make that turn I'd be guessing that I am avoiding a potential red light will it stop me or save me time, I don't know. For myself I live right on the corner right where Falck Road meets Coventry Drive and to make a left to come to this building today I had to leave about 6 minutes earlier than I would've if I could have used the road that is available so I would really appreciate it if the group would support opening the street. Thank you.

THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS CONDUCTED AN EXECUTIVE SESSION ON JULY 10, 2017 FROM 5:00 P.M. TO 6:15 P.M. TO DISCUSS LEGAL AND PERSONNEL MATTERS. THE BOARD WILL TAKE OFFICIAL ACTION, IF ANY, FROM THIS SESSION DURING THIS MEETING.

CONSENT AGENDA

12. Motion to approve Items #13 thru #15 listed on the Consent Agenda (*)

THOSE MATTERS INCLUDED UNDER THE CONSENT AGENDA ARE SELF-EXPLANATORY AND ARE NOT EXPECTED TO REQUIRE REVIEW OR DISCUSSION. ITEMS WILL BE ENACTED BY ONE MOTION. IF DISCUSSION IS DESIRED BY ANY MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, THAT ITEM MUST BE REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA AND CONSIDERED SEPARATELY.

- *13. Approval of June 5, 2017 Board of Commissioners Meeting Minutes as submitted. (ATTACHMENT F)
- *14. Motion to approve the Bond Reduction Request # 8 as submitted by FC Aiken LLC dated 6/20/17. The developer has requested a bond reduction in the amount of \$18,227.00. After inspection, the recommended release is \$20,049.70. This includes a 10% contingency in the amount of \$1,822.70. (ATTACHMENT G)
- *15. Motion to adopt Resolution No. 11 of 2017 authorizing the Disposition and destruction of certain Township records in accordance with Act 428 of 1968 (ATTACHMENT H)

MOTION: Mancini, *SECOND Barefoot to approve items #13-15 listed on the Consent Agenda*

ROLL CALL: Mancini-Y, Barefoot-Y, Kisow-Y, Shiwarski-Y, Abatta-Y
M/C 5-0

REGULAR AGENDA

Discussion to approve the June 2017 Treasurer's Report.

MOTION: Barefoot, SECOND Mancini to approve the May 2017 Treasurer's Report.

ROLL CALL: Mancini-Y, Barefoot-Y, Kisow-Y, Shiwarski-Y, Abatta-Y
M/C 5-0

Discussion to approve the June 2017 List of Bills.

MOTION: Shiwarski, SECOND Mancini to approve the June 2017 List of Bills.

ROLL CALL: Mancini-Y, Barefoot-Y, Kisow-Y, Shiwarski-Y, Abatta-Y
M/C 5-0

Discussion to approve the 2016 Annual Audit as prepared and presented by Mark C. Turnley, CPA.

MOTION: Barefoot, SECOND, Mancini to approve the 2016 Annual Audit as prepared and presented by Mark C. Turnley, CPA.

ROLL CALL: Mancini-Y, Barefoot-Y, Kisow-Y, Shiwarski-Y, Abatta-Y
M/C 5-0

Discussion to authorize the Township Manager to take the necessary steps to close Falck Road to thru traffic at its eastern terminus at Coventry Drive.

MOTION: Mancini, SECOND, Shiwarski to authorize the Township Manager to take the necessary steps to close Falck Road to thru traffic at its eastern terminus at Coventry Drive.

Mr. Barefoot: I'd like to just make a few comments. I'm not – I wasn't on the Board when they – when it was built. I think we are trying to help both sides so it's kind of hard to vote for one and not the other. I don't know how everybody else feels here maybe we ought to look at it, and review it. Anybody?

Chairman Abatta: Well we are discussing it now, Ok?

Mr. Barefoot: We are voting on it.

Chairman Abatta: We are voting on it but we can- we are still – we have a motion on the floor.

Mr. Kisow: Is it closed now?

Mr. Barefoot: It is closed.

Chairman Abatta: Can I go back into the discussion on this motion even though we have a motion on the floor, or do we have to vote.

Solicitor Cambest: Technically once you are in voting mode you have to vote.

Mr. Barefoot: I am going to abstain.

ROLL CALL: Mancini-Y, Barefoot-A, Kisow-Y, Shiwarski-Y, Abatta-Y
M/C 4-0

Mr. Shiwarski: The arguments I guess that we have from both sides of the barriers right now are, there are valid points on both sides ok, and we don't want to make this like Solomon and cut the baby in half right here because there are arguments and points to be made on both sides. There is a barrier there now. There is a- this motion as I understand it is to put a gate up there at this present time, now that's what we are voting on, am I correct on that? That gate at this point in time is not a permanent obstruction of the through way is what I guess I am saying. We are looking to solve the issue from the points of both sides by putting a gate up here as Bernie mentioned earlier tonight but again as Mike mentioned about the logistics of having access to that gate is beyond – I mean it needs to be engineered for that to happen. But from my point to put the gate up as from my understanding of what we are doing now in lieu of the barrels, my vote is yes.

Discussion to authorize the execution and recording of a Turn Around Easement with Brian D. Stumpf and Heather C. Stumpf for the construction, maintenance and operation of a vehicular turn around on property owned by them at Lot and Block 268-S-21.

MOTION: Shiwarski, SECOND, Barefoot to authorize the execution and recording of a Turn Around Easement with Brian D. Stumpf and Heather C. Stumpf for the construction, maintenance and operation of a vehicular turn around on property owned by them at Lot and Block 268-S-21.

ROLL CALL: Mancini-Y, Barefoot-Y, Kisow-Y, Shiwarski-Y, Abatta-Y
M/C 5-0

Discussion to approve the Pay Application #1 to A.Folino Construction Inc. in the amount of \$346,656.07

MOTION: Mancini SECOND, Shiwarski to approve the Pay Application #1 to A.Folino Construction Inc. in the amount of \$346,656.07

ROLL CALL: Mancini-Y, Barefoot-Y, Kisow-Y, Shiwarski-Y, Abatta-Y
M/C 5-0

COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS

Dr. Mancini: I don't have any this month.

Mr. Barefoot: No comments.

Mr. Kisow: None.

Mr. Shiwarski: Even though I usually like to talk, no comments tonight.

PARKS REPORT

Chairman Abatta: Robinson Township Pets on Parade was a great success again this year. We helped raise money which will reduce, rehabilitate, and rehome dogs of all breeds with all needs. We are honored to choose South Hills Pet Rescue as a group who will receive the proceeds from this event. Robinson native and Montour alumni Nick Ferraro along with Marissa and Bob Hailey devote much of their time helping the rescue and find for every home. We are proud to say that they rehome over 500 dogs annually, some of which are used as therapy and service dogs to children and veterans with physical and mental disabilities. Robinson Township would like to thank Settlers Ridge for hosting pets on parade and Giant Eagle Market District for allowing us to hold registration at your outdoor café and Victory Lab Greyhounds for leading our parade.

Again, the Robinson Township's 15th Annual Autumn Festival will be held September 9th at the Burkett Sports and Recreation Complex. Robinson Parks Board has been very busy planning this great event. If you would like to become a vendor, applications are currently available at our Township web page. You can email communityevents@townshipofrobinson.com .

Lastly, Robinson Township and Robinson Town Centre team up once again to present our 3rd annual Car Cruise. The cruise will be held September 30th from 12:00 to 4:00 p.m. The first 150 to register will see dashboard plaques. Admission is \$5.00 per car which will benefit the Robinson Parks. If you would like to enter your car as a featured car on the dash plaques, entry forms will be available on our Township web page. Winning cars will be randomly selected, September 9th at the Robinson Township's yearly festival. If you would like to be a vendor please email communityevents@townshipofrobinson.com. Please stay informed, for current announcements, like us on Facebook or visit our website www.townshipofrobinson.com.

MOTION: Barefoot, SECOND Shiwarski to adjourn the meeting.

ROLL CALL: Mancini-Y, Barefoot-Y, Kisow-Y, Shiwarski-Y, Abatta-Y
M/C 5/0

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Meeting was adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Kristen Police". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Kristen Police
Township Secretary