# TOWNSHIP OF FALLS AUTHORITY

#### REORGANIZATION MEETING

January 7, 2020

A reorganization meeting of the Township of Falls Authority was held on Tuesday, January 7, 2020, at 557 Lincoln Highway, Fairless Hills, PA. The meeting was called to order by Anthony Rosso at 6:06 pm.

Salute to the Flag

Roll Call - Anthony Rosso, Chairperson, James Goodwin, Vice Chairperson, Brian Binney, Secretary, were present. Bill Beier, Treasurer and Thomas Miles, Assistant Secretary/Treasurer was absent. Randy Flager and Mike Levin, Authority Solicitors were absent. Vanessa Nedrick, Authority Engineer, Timothy Hartman, Executive Director, Megan O'Neill, Business Manager and Tammy McAnulty Recording Secretary were also present.

Reorganization - <u>Temporary Chairperson</u> - Mr. Goodwin made a motion to appoint Mr. Rosso as temporary Chairperson. Mr. Binney seconded the motion.

Poll of the Board:

Mr. Binney Yes
Mr. Goodwin Yes
Mr. Rosso Yes

Motion Carried 3-0.

### **Election of TOFA Board Officers**

<u>Chairperson Appointment</u>- Mr. Goodwin made a motion to appoint Mr. Rosso as Chairperson. Mr. Binney seconded the motion.

### Poll of the Board:

Mr. Binney Yes

Mr. Goodwin Yes

Mr. Rosso Yes

Motion Carried 3-0.

<u>Vice-Chairperson Appointment</u>- Mr. Rosso made a motion to appoint Mr. Goodwin as Vice-Chairperson. Mr. Binney seconded the motion.

### Poll of the Board:

Mr. Binney Yes
Mr. Goodwin Yes

Mr. Rosso Yes

Motion Carried 3-0.

<u>Treasurer Appointment</u>- Mr. Rosso made a motion to appoint Mr. Beier as Treasurer. Mr. Binney seconded the motion.

### Poll of the Board:

Mr. Binney Yes

Mr. Goodwin Yes

Mr. Rosso Yes

Motion Carried 3-0.

<u>Secretary Appointment</u>- Mr. Rosso made a motion to appoint Mr. Binney as Secretary. Mr. Goodwin seconded the motion.

Poll of the Board:

Mr. Binney Yes

Mr. Goodwin Yes

Mr. Rosso Yes

Motion Carried 3-0.

Assistant Secretary/Treasurer Appointment - Mr. Rosso made a motion to appoint Mr. Miles as Assistant Secretary/Treasurer. Mr. Goodwin seconded the motion.

Poll of the Board:

Mr. Binney Yes

Mr. Goodwin Yes

Mr. Rosso Yes

Motion Carried 3-0.

**Appointment of Professional Staff** 

<u>Item #1 – Appointment of TOFA Solicitor – Set Compensation Fees</u> – Mr. Rosso made a motion to reappoint the firm of Flager and Associates, PC at its agreed upon 2020 rate (\$175.00 per hour for general legal support and \$375.00 per hour for development projects). Mr. Binney seconded the motion. (copy attached)

Poll of the Board:

Mr. Binney Yes
Mr. Goodwin Yes

Mr. Rosso Yes

Motion Carried 3-0.

Mr. Rosso made a motion to appoint Bidlingmaier & Bidlingmaier as Special Counsel for 2020 to handle labor matters such as union agreement negotiations and conflicts of interest at a rate of \$165.00 per hour and \$325.00 for special projects. Mr. Goodwin seconded the motion.

Poll of the Board:

Mr. Binney Yes

Mr. Goodwin Yes

Mr. Rosso Yes

Motion Carried 3-0

<u>Item #2 – Appointment of TOFA Auditor</u> – Mr. Rosso made a motion to appoint the auditing firm Brinker Simpson for the 2019 Audit not to exceed \$11,000.00 per the existing three-year agreement fee schedule. Mr. Goodwin seconded the motion.

Poll of the Board:

Mr. Binney Yes

Mr. Goodwin Yes

Mr. Rosso Yes

Motion Carried 3-0.

## Item #3 - Appointment of TOFA Engineer - Set Compensation Fees -

Mr. Rosso made a motion to reappoint the firm of Remington & Vernick Engineers at its agreed upon rate schedule for 2019. (Rate Schedule attached) Mr. Binney seconded the motion.

Poll of the Board:

Mr. Binney Yes

Mr. Goodwin Yes

Mr. Rosso Yes

Motion Carried 3-0.

<u>Item #4 - Appointment of a Financial Advisor - Mr. Rosso made a motion to appoint Concord Public Financial Advisors as Financial Advisor for 2020 at a rate of \$175/hr. plus expenses. Mr. Binney seconded the motion.</u>

Poll of the Board:

Mr. Binney Yes

Mr. Goodwin Yes

Mr. Rosso Yes

Motion Carried 3-0.

<u>Item #5 – Appointment of Depositories – Mr. Rosso made A motion to appoint</u>
First National Bank of Newtown as the Authority's depository bank for 2020. Mr.
Goodwin seconded the motion.

Poll of the Board:

Mr. Binney Yes
Mr. Goodwin Yes
Mr. Rosso Yes

Motion Carried 3-0.

Mr. Rosso made a motion to appoint Fulton Bank as the depository bank for the Authorities Reserve Fund for 2020. Mr. Goodwin seconded the motion.

Poll of the Board:

Mr. Binney Yes

Mr. Goodwin Yes

Mr. Rosso Yes

Motion Carried 3-0.

Item #6 - Set Meeting Dates for the Monthly Board Meetings – Mr. Rosso made a motion to accept the monthly meeting date schedule with the meeting starting at 7:00 p.m. Meetings held the fourth Wednesday of each month with the exception of November 18<sup>th</sup> and December 16<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Goodwin seconded the motion.

Poll of the Board:

Mr. Binney Yes
Mr. Goodwin Yes

Mr. Rosso Yes

Motion Carried 3-0.

<u>Item #7 - Public Comment - No public comment.</u>

<u>Item #8 – New Business</u> – Ms. Nedrick requested Board approval for 2 payments to Mobile Dredging for a total amount of \$16,478.70.

Mr. Binney made a motion to pay Mobile Dredging a total of \$16,478.70. Mr. Rosso seconded the motion.

Poll of the Board:

Mr. Binney Yes

Mr. Goodwin Yes

Mr. Rosso Yes

Motion Carried 3-0.

Item #9 - Board Comment -

Mr. Binney - No comment.

Mr. Goodwin – Mr. Goodwin stated that he is pleased to be appointed for another 5 years on the Board. He also stated that he is very happy that we had no rate increase for 2020 and he is hopeful for no rate increase in 2021.

Mr. Rosso - Mr. Rosso thanked the professionals for holding their rates for 2020.

Adjournment – Mr. Rosso made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:16 P.M. Mr. Goodwin seconded the motion, which carried 3-0.