

**Elizabeth Township
Board of Commissioners
Monday, March 19, 2018**

****Bid Opening at 6:45 for the CITF Forest Hills Retaining Wall Project****

Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance & Moment of Silence

Roll Call

Commissioner Similo - present

Commissioner Walk - present

Commissioner Kuzma - present

Commissioner Beckowitz - present

Commissioner Blake - present

Commissioner Rhoderick - present

President Evans - present

Executive Session Acknowledgement: Solicitor Racunas states that there was an executive session held prior to the meeting to discuss personnel items.

Citizens to address agenda items:

Scott Taylor. Mr. Taylor discusses the Comprehensive Plan with the Commissioners. He asks if SHACOG is going to be involved because we are part of SHACOG and he doesn't know if they have a multi-municipal plan or not. Solicitor Racunas tells him that he doesn't think so, he hasn't really discussed this in depth yet with the Commissioners, but he would hope not. He hopes that we can develop our own comprehensive plan. He thinks it's important because he knows that Mr. Taylor has reviewed prior plans and they don't provide you sufficient detail as a municipality to address specific items. It's his hope that these Commissioners decide to implement their own plan which can be very helpful for future planning for the Township. Mr. Taylor agrees with him and states that all the ones involved with SHACOG don't really compare with our Township and Solicitor Racunas states further that they're generic and they throwing you in because you have a requirement to do it because you're not paying for it, except for the dues, so you know you get what you pay for. He thinks if they take the steps here in the Township to spend money to develop a real comprehensive plan for this township, he thinks it can be a very helpful tool.

Mr. Taylor asks if we're going to bring some outside help in to do the studies, the recommendations, the survey, and the whole nine yards. Solicitor Racunas tells him the way he would envision it being done is going through that process of professionals that you're actually hiring to help with the planning. Mr. Taylor tells him if he needs volunteers, he would get involved and help with that, he just wants to make sure we get some outside help on this. Commissioner Walk adds that maybe this is where SHACOG could come in and if you're going to hire outside groups to do surveys they put out bids to those guys all the time. Mr. Taylor says that he sure that's what we probably do to find out where we can get our funding because he knows that there's grants out there to help out with this kind of thing and a lot of that can probably come through SHACOG. There is more discussion between Solicitor Racunas and Mr. Taylor about finding outside help and starting the process from scratch.

Ruth Adams. First, she wants to thank everybody for patching the road. She was at the last meeting and the very next day people came out and put patches on the road. Unfortunately the patches are just temporary, the road is still in complete disrepair and she was wondering what the decision was on repaving. Jake Weigand tells her they were just down there last Friday and Engineer Churilla adds that Bob Robinson from his office went out with Jake, took a look at that and on their paving program. When it was developed, it was rated one (1) through ten (10) with one (1) being the worst and ten (10) being the best, it was rated a five (5) and is a good candidate for in-

house paving. It's something that Jakes' crew could do so that would be a conversation for the Board whether there's going to be an in-house paving list this year.

Her next concern is that there are two (2) yellow blocks at the end of their road with Angel's Babies No Parking signs in them. She speaking for all the residents on her street and their concern is they have a very steep hill there and they are afraid of different things, they are right about their road. Their right on his property line right up against the road. She doesn't know what the ordinances is but she has been told by a good source that it's 15 feet from the middle of the road out, that there has to be a right of the way there. Jake replies that he doesn't know what the right of way on that road is. Ms. Adams states that they are also right there by 48 and a very good source of hers told her that it's 35 feet from a state road. Jake tells her it's different on every road and that he will have to go out and look at it. Ms. Adams tells him that they feel it's a safety hazard and she has asked the gentleman (owner) if he could move it and he told her that someday it was going to save her life and she replied well, either that or someday it's going to kill me. She continues to explain that it's very hard to turn there and asks if someone could look into this.

And the third thing is she is curious about what the noise ordinance is in her area. They have the Big's Construction that took over Tall Cedars Lebanon, not construction, garbage, sanitation, and a lot of times they're back there banging at 5:30 in the morning. And sometimes they're banging and banging and she knows they're repairing their dumpsters but sometimes it will go on all day long and she is just curious as to what the noise ordinance is. Solicitor Racunas tells her that there is an ordinance that should lay out the time, he is just unsure of what it is off-hand. Chief Kerestes tells them it changes during the year it is, but that's for construction in residential areas. He's not sure what the zone they're actually in. Ms. Adams tells him it's zoned highway commercial and to her the banging is more of an industrial type. Solicitor Racunas starts to say that he thinks highway commercial is and Ms. Adams states it's zoning for Co-Go's and P & W. Commissioner Similo asks where all the banging is and Ms. Adams tells him it's where Tall Cedars Lebanon was. It's just like if you're on vacation, at 6:30 in the morning you don't want to hear pounding and banging. Commissioner Walk asks if this is during the week or the weekends or both. She tells him it's during the week and she doesn't think he's down there at all during the weekend. He asks her if she's gone down to talk to him and she says that he's not a very give and take person. She went to him personally about the yellow blocks at the bottom because it's his daughter that owns Angel Babies. President Evans tells her maybe the Chief and Code Enforcement can go up and talk to him about the times and try to quiet things down. Chief Kerestes said that there is a certain time those trucks go out but maybe if they're doing things other than trucks leaving, maybe they could adjust their time on it. He knows the trucks start rolling out of there around 4 in the morning.

Tom George. He is here to discuss Constitution Boulevard. He was told this year that they were supposed to have some work done on it. Engineer Churilla tells him that it is on the paving list for this year. Mr. George tells the Board okay, that's all he wanted to know.

Linda Bennett. She thanks the Board for recognizing her. She's with the Elizabeth Township Historical Society and she's here on behalf of the Greenock Log Home. She would like to see if it's possible to get a Port-a-Potty at their location where the Greenock Log Home is. The cyclist use it from the trail, walkers use it, we actually use it for our Greenock Log Home, and work crews have been using it too, so it's in a location where it's needed. Somehow it did not show up on the records and it was taken away. She was made aware of it by various people who used it so she requests that they have a permanent Port-a-Potty at that location, 1235 Greenock Buena Vista Road.

Also as an update, she received the GEDF upgrade and now have \$87,288 and she finally started to receive the funding so you drive by you will notice that the porch is completely put back on, the gables have been painted green, and the windows have been placed in the gables. Inside, the fireplace is completed and is magnificent. It spans almost eighteen (18) feet from floor to ceiling. Also, the entrance to the basement has been replaced (inaudible). They hope to get funding in the future to put the cedar shingles on the roof so it can be used for community events. Greenock Log Home Days/Greenock Methodist Church Apple Festival is going to be September 22nd, from 10:00 am until 5:00 pm. Last year they had approximately 1,000 people during the day so it's turning into a positive community event for Elizabeth Township. President Evans tells her that he doesn't think it's a problem getting a Port-a-Potty for them and it will be put on the Agenda in two (2) weeks. He asks the other Commissioners if they have any question or object and they do not.

Rich & Danielle Ali. Danielle speaks to the Board and asks if the Township is willing to vacate two (2) paper roads that they have been maintaining since 1998 on Blaine Hill. They live at 501 Underwood Avenue and they are abut with Park Avenue and have property that is adjacent to Wycoff Farm. It would be 40 feet for each paper road and they are having major flood issues there. They have already put in one French Drain and they had some engineers and someone from the Township come in and they recommended putting in another French Drain. In order to do it right they may have to use that property and they would like to have it vacated with the hope of purchasing it from the Township. They know that there are some funds that need to be paid out for that. Solicitor Racunas tells her that would be for the advertisement, there wouldn't be any legal cost because he's on a flat fee retainer here and tells her he received this information from Code Enforcement. He hasn't had a chance to talk to the engineer yet and the Commissioners received a copy of everything tonight. He's going to give them an opportunity to look at it and they will be in touch with you and let you know.

Discussion Topics:

GEDF Grant Application

Engineer Churilla states that he asked Joelle Whiteman to put this on the agenda for tonight. The GEDF Grant is an Allegheny County grant and is \$500,000. The grant period just opened up and he believes it's March through the end of April or May that you can apply. Just like any other grant we would have to pick a project, put an application together, and the Board would have to pass a resolution. He wants to have discussion tonight on a project that they would like to apply for. He thought that the Forest Hills Wall would be a good one at this point in time, but if there are any other suggestions, he wants to get it out there so we could get an application put together. Commissioner Beckowitz tells him the only one she would like to get out there is Mansfield because Droopy's keeps getting flooded. He had that place sold and then the deal fell through because of the flooding issues down there. Engineer Churilla tells her he knows that the Forest Hills would not need the whole \$500,000, but he doesn't know if there's a way they could combine two (2) projects under one grant. He knows they did it with Weigles Hill and Patterson Bridge so he could look into that and come up with a total cost for both of them.

Comprehensive Plan

Commissioner Kuzma tells the Board that he had discussed it earlier and asked that it be put on the agenda. The last Comprehensive Plan was done in 2003 and he thinks 15 years later, he would like to bring a little bit of small business back into the Township and recreational uses for around the Township. He thinks that scrapping it and forming a new updated plan would be a good thing to do. Solicitor Racunas states that more as a resident and not the solicitor, he thinks this is a very important thing for us to do as a township and as a municipality. He explains a comprehensive plan is basically your road map for future planning and he doesn't think we have any right now. He thinks this will give us the direction where we need to go as far as recreational planning, business development, and all the things we need for future sustainability for this township. He's seen it in other communities. There's grants out there to help cover it, there's community groups, there's corporations that will all come in and help us develop the planning. There's going to be community input on this. It's going to be a large scale under-taking, but you're talking about future planning for this township and getting a direction for where we want to go as a community, so he thinks it's a great thing. Our past comprehensive plans, as he told Mr. Taylor, they're compliant in that we're mentioned in them and they give you an idea, but they're not really what he would say is ideal for our community. He thinks we need something more focused on what we want to do, and our residents want to do, and constituents, so he thinks as a resident of this township and seeing how positive it can be with other communities he represents, this would be a good thing for this township to look at and do.

Commissioner Walk asks Solicitor Racunas what's the first step. He tells him he can get information for companies that other communities have used or, the Commissioners could put it out for a bid and start getting applications from different companies that can give presentations and tell you what they can offer. Then it's going to be a little bit of ala carte selection, how in depth you want to go with it, how much money you want to spend on it and he thinks those companies can give them a breakdown of that. Bellevue Borough recently did a full fifteen (15) year plan just for their parks program, so he thinks the first step would be to start

soliciting for presentations. He tells Commissioner Walk that he can supply him with information to show the Commissioners what a Comprehensive Plan looks like. President Evans ask if the Board has anything further and there is none so he continues with the meeting.

Chapel Drive Soccer Field

Commissioner Beckowitz thinks we should put a soccer field and a baseball field because we have the room to put two (2) fields up there and we have the money to do it. Commissioner Kuzma states that he is not opposed to a baseball field but Chapel Drive is in his ward and he is getting complaints now from residents that live along Arrow Drive, Tomahawk Drive, and Princess Drive. They see lights at night from the ice skating rink and from the baseball field that's behind the Municipal Building and if we put one even closer to their house, he's going to be lynched in the Municipal Building parking lot. Commissioner Beckowitz tells him that we don't have to put up lights and Commissioner Kuzma replies as long as there aren't any lights. After going up there and seeing what's up there, he thinks a soccer field would be best. Commissioner Walk also recently walked it and tells Commissioner Beckowitz that he can't envision it being a baseball field. The amount of earth that has to be moved just to create a full sized soccer field is pretty mind boggling. Commissioner Beckowitz states that the last time she spoke to Bryan Churilla there was enough room to put 2 fields, then asks him if she is correct. He responds yes, but once again it would depend on amount of earth moving. He knows there was a Senate conceptual plan. It's his understanding that they were looking at the area where they could put in one or the other and not do too much earth moving. The further you go back in that property, the more you're going to have to fill. There is discussion between Commissioner Beckowitz and Commissioner Walk regarding field placement. Commissioner Rhoderick believes the easiest thing to do would be to have Bryan Churilla look at each one to see what the cost is. He states that he also walked up there and it's pretty steep to put that second field in and he thinks it's going to be very costly to do that. Commissioner Beckowitz says the property on the right hand side of the building, if you're facing the building, is all level. Bryan Churilla states that before the end of the year they had a phone conference with the youth associations and he has notes on what everybody wanted. Once again, it comes down to what you're willing to spend and what you want to put up there.

Commissioner Beckowitz tells him they have bond money they can use and she thinks we should finish the inside of that building. President Evans states that we have a new building just sitting up there and asks the Board what they want in there. Commissioner Beckowitz confirms with Bryan Churilla that there is a drawing for that and he tells her the other thing they need to determine is what the ultimate use is going to be. There was a plan with restrooms, a kitchen, a utility closet, and the rest was just an open space. They put together some of those drawings, but it got to the point where you're going to have to rehab that HVAC. They met with Russ Haywood and he said you can't re-use it because it's been vandalized, it's ruined. Commissioner Beckowitz tells him that's why we need to finish it. Commissioner Beckowitz responds to a female audience member, that whenever the kids have a game up there they can have their banquet there. It can be used for everything the Girl Scout camp is used for but the Girl Scout camp is a rental business, nothing else. President Evans responds to the female audience member that once they establish the Recreation Committee that's going to be used up more. Male audience member asks Bryan how far did they get and (inaudible) because there have been several drawings done on the soccer field (inaudible). Bryan Churilla tells him in the past they have had several conceptual site plans and as far as design, the furthest they got was with the hockey rink and looking at fields. He knows at one point the building and roadway was looked at but once again, it's relatively steep, it would be a lot of clearing and it's expensive to do that. He thinks at the time they were looking at the design, mostly for the hockey rink, it was decided to use the main entrance off of Jane Drive. Another female audience member states that she understands there are a lot of baseball fields in this community and they don't use Twele Field anymore, they don't use Greenock Field anymore. She likes the hockey rink idea. She tells the Board if you go to different parks around the state, a lot of them have walking trails around the fields and it would be nice if we could incorporate something like that.

Commissioner Walk comments that a lot of it can be brought into the recreation committee setting and asks if this is how they envision this working and is told yes. He then states it's an open forum for the recreation committee and outcomes to those ideas. Commissioner Rhoderick tells him the comprehensive plan would back that because that drives a lot of grants and there's a lot of money out there for different

things, but you have to have the plan in place. President Evans states maybe they'll put that on for the Recreation Committee discussion. If everybody works together maybe we can come up with a plan.

Engineer Churilla then asks the Board what would be their direction for him at this point. Commissioner Rhoderick recommends looking at the prices first because he knows the topography of that is doable, like Commissioner Beckowitz says, we have the bond money. Commissioner Beckowitz states that was going to be a phased in project and was concerned with doing at least one or two fields up there and finishing the building so it can be used. Commissioner Rhoderick agrees stating that if you go off to the right, you can use the level parts, using less fill and less time so less cost is going to be involved. He asks Bryan if he can look at it and then they can go into more detailed specs on it. Commissioner Similo states he has told them all before that we had better come up with a plan, we're in trouble already and Commissioner Beckowitz states the bond money needs to be used.

Recreation Committee

President Evans asks if anyone has any input on this and Commissioner Rhoderick comments that he thinks this ties into everything else they've been talking about. Commissioner Beckowitz states that 11 letter were submitted and she thinks we should accept all 11. President Evans tells her that he sent the email out and there were going to be 5 members to the Board and 5 or 6 alternates, and the whole Board should be under the Office Manager. Commissioner Rhoderick thinks they should be allowed to use their meeting room, let them have a public hearing to get ideas from the community, and they can give a report to the Commissioners.

Commissioner Walk states that Office Manager Joelle Whiteman prepared a really nice outline which is in their packet to review this. Is this something we can vote on right now to get the ball rolling? President Evans tells him that it will be put on the next meeting's agenda, if everyone is okay with that.

Items for Consideration:

1. Motion to approve the Commissioner meeting minutes dated December 18, 2017. **Motion:** Commissioner Rhoderick. **Second:** Commissioner Blake. There are no questions on the Motion. **All in Favor, the Ayes have it.**
2. Motion to approve the General Fund Bill Warrant dated March 19, 2018 in the amount of \$240,701.31. **Motion:** Commissioner Rhoderick. **Second:** Commissioner Blake. There are no questions on the Motion. **Roll Call Vote: All in Favor, Motion carries.** Commissioner Similo comments that at the last meeting, he mentioned when are we going to get some kind of a budget and some kind of information on what kind of money we're going to need and when it's going to be finished. If he didn't have it by this meeting, he wasn't going to vote for it, money from the bond program or KLH. He can abstain or vote no or whatever. Engineer Churilla tells him that neither the Bond Requisitions nor their billing would be under General Fund. It's confirmed by President Evans that his bill isn't on here.
3. Motion to approve the Sanitary Fund Bill Warrant dated March 19, 2018 in the amount of \$116,648.10. **Motion:** Commissioner Kuzma. **Second:** Commissioner Blake. There are no questions on the Motion. **Roll Call Vote: 5:2, Motion carries. Commissioner Similo and Commissioner Beckowitz vote no.**
4. Motion to approve payment of Sanitary Bond Requisition No. 58 in the amount of \$10,886.50. **Motion:** Commissioner Rhoderick. **Second:** Commissioner Walk. There is discussion on the Motion.

Engineer Churilla explains that there was some discussion and he talked to Joelle Whiteman about setting up a meeting. In the meantime PA American Water reached out to us and we had a meeting with them last week. They are going to request some information and there will be some subsequent meetings, possibly with the DEP. He didn't know if the Board would like to have a meeting in the meantime, or wait until we get more from them on where that conversation is going and Commissioner Rhoderick responds that he doesn't

think they should have a meeting until they have more information. Bryan continues with 537 explaining to the Board that we're kind of at a standstill until everything's figured out with Sewickley Township, so to have a meeting right now to know where we're going is pointless. Commissioner Similo comments that this is so unlike the DEP to let something like this go on this long, there has to be something else wrong here. They usually want you to have it done yesterday and Commissioner Rhoderick adds that DEP was fining us \$500 a day. Commissioner Beckowitz states that she thinks someone needs to make a trip down there to set up a meeting and talk to them. Commissioner Rhoderick explains that they are actually handling that with PA American Water and the whole thing that's going on with Sewickley is a 'he-said, she-said' kind of thing so that's where we're at. Engineer Churilla tells the Board he did reach out to the DEP and his conversation with them was they were interested in whether or not those talks were still going on, so that would be the next step. Commissioner Walk asks if it is appropriate in this forum for us to summarize what happened in that meeting with PA American and is told that would be up to Solicitor Racunas.

Solicitor Racunas tells them that he doesn't see a problem if they want to summarize. Everybody knows that we've formally voted on negotiations with PA American Water to possibly sell our sanitary system, so there was a meeting, but he was not able to attend. Commissioner Walk asks if Commissioner Rhoderick because he was at the meeting and Commissioner Rhoderick tells him he can summarize it for them quickly and then kick it over to Bryan Churilla. Sewickley Township is holding up our 537 Plan because they don't want to sign off on it. They told DEP that they're holding off because PA American Water has interest in them and it's been back and forth so that's why we're in a standstill with our 537 Plan. We tried to get flow studies a long time ago and the DEP told us flat out 'no' because you don't have time and that was over one and one-half years ago. PA American Water is going to the DEP to request the flow studies and he doesn't think anybody on this Board has an issue with doing the flow study, so that's kind of where we're at. Commissioner Walk adds if the DEP allows that flow study, which has to be done between January and July of 2019 and that buys us a lot of time.

Engineer Churilla explains that what has happened now is PA American Water has closed in on the McKeesport deal. The DEP has dealt with them and they understand the process now so he thinks DEP sees a potential benefit to rate payers and in Elizabeth Township. Prior to this point, it was a battle against DEP for time, he thinks part of DEP's argument was that McKeesport had been waiting and losing revenue and that was them forcing us to move faster. But now PA American is McKeesport and if DEP sees a benefit to the rate payers for Elizabeth Township, or any of the tributary municipalities, there is a possibility that they could give some additional time for PA American to do their due diligence so that they're comfortable with the system. This was an initial meeting because PA American Water wanted to express what their goals were and to get information from us. The next step would be to approach DEP but he can't predict how that will go. We may be back to the same timeline we were under but we won't know until we get there. An audience member starts speaking and Solicitor Racunas tells him that he has to be recognized and that the Board is in the middle of a vote. President Evans states that he wants to finish the vote. Board members are reminded that the Motion is on the Bond Requisition payment. **Roll Call Vote: 5:2, Motion carries. Commissioner Similo and Commissioner Beckowitz vote no.**

President Evans acknowledges Mr. Kosher from the audience, but his question is inaudible. Engineer Churilla tells him the plans that we developed were based on are flow studies that were done in 2008 and some information collected by Gateway in 2015. When we came in and requested time to do additional monitoring because the bulk of it was done in 2008, we were denied that request, so we used the information we had at that time. So right now it's not open to change unless the DEP allows PA American to conduct further studies. Mr. Kosher speaks again but it is inaudible. Engineer Churilla tells him yes, they want that information but they want to collect their own data. Commissioner Similo confirms that we have to do the flow study. Engineer Churilla tells him he's not exactly sure who would be paying for it and/or who would be managing it, but he thinks it would be a joint effort between the Township and PA American Water as part of their due diligence but we haven't gotten that far. There is an inaudible comment by male audience member. Engineer Churilla tells him the DEP's response to our followed up is that Sewickley Township is still holding out, they have not found a resolution, that there might be a financial impact and they want to see where that goes. That's all the follow-up that's been provided. Commissioner Similo comments that it's just

unbelievable what they're doing for Sewickley Township. President Evans states there can be one more question. A female audience member speaks, but her question is inaudible. Engineer Churilla answers that he doesn't know how they're handling it since PA American Water has taken over, but since PA American Water took over, they had to restructure everything and update their Act 537 Plan and develop user rates. Commissioner Rhoderick comments PA American is PUC regulated so any rate increase would have to go through PUC for approval.

5. Motion to approve the Settlement Agreement for docket numbers GD17-003645 and GD17-003668 relating to unpaid sewer charges. **Motion:** Commissioner Rhoderick. **Second:** Commissioner Walk. Solicitor Racunas reminds the Board these are two lawsuits that were initiated by front page sewer charges and that the Township will be paid the face value of what was owed on those. There are no questions on the Motion. **All those in favor: the Ayes have it, Motion carries.**
6. Motion to approve Lawson Excavating Pay Application 2 (final) for the Lovedale Sewer Relocation Project in the amount of \$27,722.00. **Motion:** Commissioner Rhoderick. **Second:** Commissioner Blake. There are no questions on the Motion. **Roll Call Vote: All in favor, Motion carries.**
7. Motion to approve purchase of a computer tower for Police Department from CDW in the amount of \$564.00. (COSTARS pricing) **Motion:** Commissioner Rhoderick. **Second:** Commissioner Blake. There are no questions on the Motion. **Roll Call Vote: All in favor, Motion carries.**
8. Motion to approve the Proposal from KLH Engineers to complete the Year 2018 Paving Program. **Motion:** Commissioner Kuzma. **Second:** Commissioner Rhoderick. There are no questions on the Motion. **Roll Call Vote: 5:2, Motion carries. Commissioner Similo and Commissioner Beckowitz vote no.**
9. Motion to approve Elizabeth Township Road Department Collective Bargaining Agreement with Teamsters 205. Solicitor Racunas requests from President Evans that this Motion be tabled until the next meeting. He didn't realize until earlier this evening that not all of the Commissioners had a copy for review. There's nothing wrong with the agreement, he just wants the Commissioners to have an opportunity to look at it before voting on it. President Evans agrees to pull Motion #9.
10. Motion to advertise for hiring of 5 seasonal employees for Road Department at the rate of \$10.00 per hour. President Evans confirms with Foreman Jake Weigand that he only needed 4 and Commissioner Rhoderick responds that we always hired 5 and they agree to keep it at 5. **Motion:** Commissioner Kuzma. **Second:** Commissioner Rhoderick. **Roll Call Vote: All in favor, Motion carries.**
11. Motion to hire Jamie Montgomery as Full Time Administrative Assistant at an hourly rate of \$16.00. **Motion:** Commissioner Blake. **Second:** Commissioner Rhoderick. **Roll Call Vote: All in favor, Motion carries.**
12. Motion to hire Joyce Craft as Part Time Administrative Assistant at an hourly rate of \$16.00. **Motion:** Commissioner Blake. **Second:** Commissioner Similo. **Roll Call Vote: All in favor, Motion carries.**
13. Motion to terminate current animal control officer. **Motion:** Commissioner Similo. **Second:** Commissioner Kuzma. Solicitor Racunas reminds the Board that there is a 30-day notice in that provision so the letter should go out as soon as possible, assuming this Motion does pass. There are no questions on the Motion. **Roll Call Vote: All in favor, Motion carries.**

President Evans gives permission for Emil to speak, but he is not near a microphone and what he is saying is inaudible. President Evans tells him they will keep their options open, let the committee look at it, the Commissioners will look at it and go from there. There is discussion between the Commissioners and audience members. President Evans tells the audience that this is it, from now on just sign up to speak.

Chris Thoma. He apologizes to President Evans for his tardiness to the meeting and speaks about Chapel. He wants to let the Board know for their youth organization, EF, they have exploded in sign-ups which is great since they merged. They have been growing 20-25% every year, almost 380 kids now and they are running out of room. Same thing with soccer, soccer is a very big sport as well and they only really have one or two places to go. We have a few, but their full all the time so we're really struggling. Commissioner Rhoderick asks if soccer would be the number one thing you need and Mr. Thoma tells him soccer because of their situation, he would definitely like to see another baseball field too. He also tells them on behalf of Bobby Madden, because he couldn't be here, if there is anything the Commissioners need help with, they definitely offer their services in any way they can to see this through. There is discussion regarding the care and maintenance of the fields and the issues with using school fields. He tells the Board that they would like involved in any decisions that are made.

Meeting Adjourned.

President, Chris Evans

Joelle Whiteman, Office Manager