

**HILLTOWN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING  
Monday, August 22, 2011**

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Hilltown Township Board of Supervisors was called to order by Chairman John B. McIlhinney at 7:00PM and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Also present were: Barbara A. Salvadore, Vice-Chairperson  
James C. Groff, Supervisor  
Christopher E. Engelhart, Chief of Police  
Lorraine E. Leslie, Treasurer/Finance Officer  
Francis X. Grabowski, Township Solicitor  
C. Robert Wynn, Township Engineer  
Lynda S. Seimes, Township Secretary

A. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. The Board met in Executive Session following the August 8, 2011 Supervisor's meeting and also on August 16, 2011 for an informational meeting regarding the search for a Township Manager.

B. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY: None.

C. LEGAL – Mr. Francis X. Grabowski, Township Solicitor –

1. Consideration of Professional Service Contract with Lafayette College Meyner Center for the Study of State and Local Government – The Meyner Center of Lafayette College whose purpose is to provide services, guidance and advice to municipalities, is being considered to assist Hilltown Township in the search for a qualified Township Manager. Mr. David Woglom, who is the Associate Director for Public Service with the Meyner Center met with the Board last week to discuss the proposal. Mr. Woglom has over 27 years of municipal management experience in southeastern Pennsylvania. The proposed Service Agreement with the Meyner Center provides for professional services at an hourly rate of \$65.00 per hour with a cap of \$5,000.00.

Motion was made by Supervisor Salvadore, seconded by Supervisor Groff, and carried unanimously to authorize the execution of an Agreement with the Meyner Center of Lafayette College for the professional services of Mr. David Woglom in the search for a new Hilltown Township Manager at a rate of \$65.00 per hour, not to exceed \$5,000.00. There was no public comment.

D. ENGINEERING – Mr. C. Robert Wynn, Township Engineer –

1. CMD – Conservation Management Design Zoning Ordinance Amendment – The Bucks County Planning Commission, who reviewed this proposed Ordinance amendment via

correspondence dated August 3, 2011, recommended adoption without revision. At their meeting of August 15, 2011, with only four members of the Hilltown Planning Commission present, the proposed amendment was tabled for additional review at the upcoming September 19, 2011 meeting. Mr. Wynn, who was unable to attend the August 15, 2011 PC meeting, understands that those PC members present had questioned specific sections of the Ordinance which are not proposed to be changed – such as cluster design. Discussion occurred.

Motion was made by Supervisor Salvatore and seconded by Supervisor Groff to authorize the advertisement of the proposed CMD Ordinance Amendment for possible adoption at a Public Hearing at the September 26, 2011 Board of Supervisors meeting. Chairman McIlhinney was opposed. Motion carried 2:1. There was no public comment.

2. Groff Subdivision Improvements Status Report – The developer has completed the outstanding improvements as of this afternoon. Mr. Wynn anticipates that the applicant will be submitting correspondence requesting that the maintenance period guarantee be permitted to be a cash deposit with the Township to allow full release of the Letter of Credit guarantee.

3. Popiwny Subdivision Extension Request– Motion was made by Supervisor Salvatore, seconded by Supervisor Groff, and carried unanimously to grant a 2-year extension until August 17, 2013 for completion of improvements of the Popiwny 2-Lot Subdivision. There was no public comment.

E. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Constellation New Energy – Approval to seek rates and sign agreement for reduced electric generation rates – A recent quote was received from Constellation New Energy to provide reduced electric generation rates to the Township, with the option of selecting a 12, 24, or 36-month fixed price through this State program.

Motion was made by Supervisor Salvatore, seconded by Supervisor Groff, and carried unanimously to consider the proposal by Constellation New Energy to provide reduced electric generation rates to Hilltown Township. There was no public comment.

Mrs. Leslie noted the current rate is 13 cents/kilowatt, while the rate proposed by Constellation is .07759 cents/kilowatt, resulting in a savings of \$17,000.00-\$18,000.00 per year. The Township presently utilizes 354,000 kilowatt hours/year for street lights, traffic lights, buildings, etc. Mrs. Leslie recommended a one year contract be chosen.

Motion was made by Supervisor Salvatore, seconded by Supervisor Groff, and carried unanimously to authorize acceptance of an agreement with Constellation New Energy for electric generation in the amount of \$.077590 per kilowatt for a term of 12 months. There was no public comment.

2. Appointment of Interim Township Manager – Motion was made by Supervisor Salvadore, seconded by Supervisor Groff, and carried unanimously to appoint Lynda Seimes as Interim Township Manager for 90 days or until such time as a suitable candidate for the permanent position of Township Manager is hired. There was no public comment.

F. SUPERVISOR'S COMMENTS:

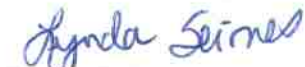
1. The Board will meet in Executive Session following this meeting to discuss personnel issues.

G. PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

H. PRESS CONFERENCE: There were no questions from those reporters present.

I. ADJOURNMENT: Upon motion by Supervisor Salvadore, seconded by Supervisor Groff and carried unanimously, the August 22, 2011 Hilltown Township Board of Supervisors meeting adjourned at 7:15PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Lynda Seimes  
Township Secretary

(\*Note: These minutes were transcribed from recordings and should not be considered official until approved by the Board of Supervisors at a Public Meeting).