

**HILLTOWN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING
Monday, May 24, 2010
7:00PM**

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Hilltown Township Board of Supervisors was called to order by Chairman John B. McIlhinney at 7:04PM and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Also present were: Barbara A. Salvadore, Vice-Chairperson
James C. Groff, Supervisor
Christopher S. Christman, Township Manager
William E. Wert, Asst.Mgr./Dir. of Parks, Recreation and Open Space
Lynda S. Seimes, Township Secretary

A. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. The Board of Supervisors met in Executive Session prior to this meeting to discuss legal matters.

2. Mr. Nick Lupinacci, former member of the PROS Committee, announced that the annual Memorial Day tribute will be held on Monday, May 31, 2010 at 10:00AM at the Hilltown Civic Park. Mr. Lupinacci noted that special recognition will be given that day to Mr. Walter Helhowski, a Hilltown resident who was very instrumental in the planning and construction of the war memorial at the Civic Park. Mr. Helhowski was extremely dedicated to his family, his community and his country. Mr. Lupinacci encouraged everyone to attend the Memorial Day event.

B. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY: None.

C. CONSENT CALENDAR:

- Minutes of the May 10, 2010 Supervisor's Meeting
- Bills List dated May 25, 2010
- Financial Report for month of April 2010
- Manager's Report
- Solicitor's Report

Motion was made by Supervisor Salvadore, seconded by Supervisor Groff, and carried unanimously to approve and accept the above noted Consent Calendar items as written. There was no public comment.

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

1. Pileggi Land Development -- The Pileggi Land Development located on Rt. 313 was received by the Township on February 26, 2010. The applicant had requested to be included on the Planning Commission agenda on April 19, 2010, but withdrew. Subsequently, the plan

was included on the May 17th PC agenda and a formal written request to be removed from the agenda was received by the Township on May 17, 2010.

In accordance with the Municipalities Planning Code, the Township has ninety days from the first Planning Commission meeting during which the plan could have been reviewed following the date of receipt of the submission. The Planning Commission meeting following the submission was held on March 15, 2010 requiring action by the Board of Supervisors no later than June 13, 2010. Accordingly, the Planning Commission recommended denial of the Pileggi Land Development Preliminary Plan for non-compliance with Subdivision/Land Development Ordinance and Zoning Ordinance requirements as itemized within the engineering review dated March 29, 2010, and the Bucks County Planning Commission review dated April 1, 2010. It was also noted at the PC meeting that the existing features shown on the land development plan are no longer accurate as changes have been made to the property, which are not reflected on the submitted plan.

Motion was made by Supervisor Groff, seconded by Supervisor Salvadore, and carried unanimously to deny the Pileggi Land Development Plan for non-compliance with Subdivision/Land Development Ordinance and Zoning Ordinance requirements as itemized within the engineering review dated March 29, 2010 and the Bucks County Planning Commission review dated April 1, 2010, as noted above, unless an extension is received. There was no public comment.

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

1. Reliance Road/East Summit Street Paving (Community Development Block Grant) – Mr. Wynn is seeking authorization to advertise for milling and paving of Reliance Road and partial overlay of East Summit Street utilizing Community Development Block Grant Funds and Liquid Fuels Funds in the approximate amount of \$140,000.00.

Motion was made by Supervisor Salvadore, seconded by Supervisor Groff, and carried unanimously to authorize the advertisement of bids for milling and paving of Reliance Road and partial overlay of East Summit Street utilizing Community Development Block Grant Funds and Liquid Fuel Funds in the approximate amount of \$140,000.00. There was no public comment.

F. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Appointments to Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Committee – Motion was made by Supervisor Salvadore to appoint Mr. Dave Burger to a vacancy on the PROS Committee with the term to expire on December 31, 2011. There was no second to the motion. Motion failed.

Motion was made by Supervisor Groff, seconded by Supervisor Salvadore, and carried unanimously to appoint Mr. Kenley Crouthamel to a vacancy on the PROS Committee with the term to expire on December 31, 2011. There was no public comment.

Motion was made by Supervisor Groff and seconded by Chairman McIlhinney to appoint Mr. Jim McClelland to a vacancy on the PROS Committee with the term to expire on December 31, 2012. Supervisor Salvadore was opposed. Motion carried: 2:1. There was no public comment.

2. Scout Cabin Structural Report – The Scout Cabin Structural Report dated April 29, 2010 prepared by Ludwig Engineering was discussed. It was noted that the building is not ADA compliant and that there are numerous vertical and horizontal fractures in the exterior walls. Further, the ceiling joists sag by approximately 1 inch in the main hall, and drainage around the building is poor thereby causing a freeze-thaw force on the structure. While the building is not in danger of collapse, it was Mr. Wynn's opinion that demolition of the structure was more appropriate, since necessary repairs would be extremely expensive. After a brief discussion, the Board agreed that the structure should be demolished. Since recreational programming is scheduled throughout the summer until the end of August, the Board concurred that demolition would be accomplished later in the year. Mr. Wert will provide the Supervisors with recommendations for a possible replacement building or perhaps an additional pavilion.

3. ISO Status Report – Mr. Christman received the pre-survey forms to lower the Township ISO evaluation in late April, which were then distributed to all 7 fire companies, and to the County, who will be assisting with the dispatching portion of the pre-survey forms. Forms were also sent to the Hilltown Authority for completion of the hydrant portion of the survey. Supervisor Groff noted that he forwarded the information to the North Penn Authority and the Perkasio Borough Authority since they have hydrants in Hilltown Township as well. It is Mr. Christman's hope that the forms will be returned by June 30th, in order to facilitate forwarding to ISO in a timely manner.

G. ZONING HEARING BOARD ADVISORIES – None.

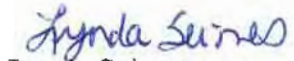
H. SUPERVISOR'S COMMENTS: None.

I. PUBLIC COMMENTS: None.

J. PRESS CONFERENCE: No questions were asked by the reporters present.

K. ADJOURNMENT: Upon motion by Supervisor Salvadore, seconded by Supervisor Groff, and carried unanimously, the May 24, 2010 Hilltown Township Board of Supervisors meeting was adjourned at 7:16PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Lynda Seimes
Township Secretary

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