

**HILLTOWN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING
Monday, November 13, 2006
7:30PM**

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Hilltown Township Board of Supervisors was called to order by Chairman John B. McIlhinney at 7:42PM and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Also present were: Richard J. Manfredi, Vice-Chairman
Barbara A. Salvadore, Supervisor
Kenneth B. Bennington, Township Manager
Thomas A. Buzby, Director of Public Works
Christopher E. Engelhart, Chief of Police
Lynda S. Seimes, Township Secretary

A. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. Prior to this meeting, the Board met in Executive Session to discuss personnel and real estate matters. Subsequent to this meeting, Chairman McIlhinney announced that the Board would also meet in Executive Session to discuss real estate and personnel matters.
2. The first Public Hearing for the McGrath Homes Re-Zoning Request will be held on Tuesday, November 21, 2006 at 7:00PM and the second Public Hearing will be held on Monday, December 11, 2006 at 6:00PM.
3. The Board of Supervisor's meeting originally scheduled for November 27, 2006 has been cancelled, and has been rescheduled to Friday, December 1, 2006 at 1:00PM. The Board of Supervisors meeting originally scheduled for Tuesday, December 26, 2006 has also been cancelled.
4. The Board of Supervisors will hold a Conditional Use Hearing at 1:30PM on Friday, December 1, 2006 to consider the request of Sprint/Nextel for the installation and attachment of a 135 ft. monopole as a requested F-6 Zoning Use, Cellular Telecommunications Facility, adjacent to an existing PECO transmission tower on Upper Stump Road.
5. The proposed 2007 Budget is available for public inspection, and may be adopted at the December 1, 2006 Supervisor's meeting.

B. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY:

1. With respect to the lease agreement with Deep Run for use of the Telegraph Road fields, Mr. Harry Mason of Morgan Lane urged the Board to restrict the use of lighting on the fields too late into the evening hours.

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C. APPROVALS – Action on the minutes of the July 24, 2006 Supervisor’s Meeting; the Bills List dated November 14, 2006; and the Treasurer’s Report dated October 31, 2006: Motion was made by Supervisor Salvadore, seconded by Supervisor Manfredi, and carried unanimously to approve the July 24, 2006 Supervisor’s Meeting minutes; the Bills List dated November 14, 2006; and the Treasurer’s Report dated October 31, 2006, as written. There was no public comment.

Supervisor Salvadore noted the following clarifying statement concerning the subject of Non-Contiguous Open Space, with respect to pages 5 and 14 of the October 9, 2006 Supervisor’s meeting minutes: **“The Board of Supervisors received Solicitor Grabowski’s correspondence dated July 14, 2006 and accompanying Transfer of Development Rights information in July, however the Board did not forward these documents to the Planning Commission for their review until the October 9, 2006 meeting.”**

Motion was made by Supervisor Salvadore, seconded by Supervisor Manfredi, and carried unanimously to approve the minutes of the October 9, 2006 Supervisor’ meeting with the clarifying statement as noted above. There was no public comment.

D. CONFIRMED APPOINTMENTS:

1. Mr. Ray Fegley and Mr. Tom Louden – Hilltown Emergency Management Plan Update Review – Mr. Fegley, Emergency Management Coordinator, and Mr. Louden, Assistant Emergency Management Coordinator, provided a power point presentation of the revised Hilltown Township Emergency Management Plan.

E. POLICE REPORT – Mr. Christopher E. Engelhart, Chief of Police – Chief Engelhart presented the Police Report for the month of October 2006; a copy of which is on file at the Township office. A speed detail was conducted on October 13, 2006 on Rt. 152 on the south side of Hilltown Pike, which has a speed limit of 45 m.p.h. The highest speed clocked was 86 M.P.H. with seven citations issued.

Due to the retirement of police secretary Alice Munn at the end of this year, motion was made by Supervisor Manfredi, seconded by Supervisor Salvadore, and carried unanimously to authorize the advertisement of the vacancy for secretary in the Police Department. There was no public comment.

F. MANAGER’S REPORT – Mr. Kenneth B. Bennington, Township Manager – Mr. Bennington presented the Manager’s Report, Public Works Report, and Zoning Report for the month of October 2006; copies of which are on file at the Township office.

1. Bid #2006-15 for the purchase of a 2007 Tandem Axle Dump Truck was opened at 8:30AM on Friday November 10, 2006. Only one bid was received from Bergey's in the amount of \$129,150.00, which is approximately \$10,000.00 less than anticipated.

Motion was made by Supervisor Manfredi, seconded by Supervisor Salvadore, and carried unanimously to award Bid #2006-15 for the purchase of a 2007 Tandem Axle Dump Truck to Bergey's in the amount of \$129,150.00. There was no public comment.

G. WATER AND SEWER AUTHORITY REPORT – Mr. Jim Groff, Authority Manager – Mr. Groff presented the Authority Report for the month of October 2006; a copy of which is on file at the Township office.

H. HILLTOWN FIRE COMPANY REPORT – No one was present.

I. SILVERDALE FIRE COMPANY REPORT – No one was present.

J. PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT – Mr. D. Brooke Rush, Chairperson – Mr. Rush presented the report for the Planning Commission Worksession meeting of November 6, 2006; a copy of which is on file at the Township office.

The Planning Commission requested authorization for the Township Engineer to complete an analysis of three recently completed subdivision projects with respect to the new Conservation Management District (currently Rural Residential) zoning density calculations. After discussion and prior to authorization, the Supervisors directed Mr. Bennington to ask Mr. Wynn to provide an estimate of the cost involved to complete such an analysis.

K. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Lease Agreement with Deep Run for Use of Telegraph Road Fields – After discussion, the Board suggested the following language revision to Item #11, which should state “Deep Run shall provide to the Township, by September 1 of each year, the name of an authorized representative to meet with the Township Manager to discuss and prepare for the upcoming athletic seasons and related activities and **to obtain, if applicable, an annual use permit.**”

Motion was made by Supervisor Manfredi, seconded by Supervisor Salvadore, and carried unanimously to accept the Lease Agreement with Deep Run Valley Sports Association for use of the Telegraph Road fields, with the proposed amendment to the agreement language as noted above. There was no public comment.

2. Rt. 152/Hilltown Pike Signalization – PennDot is requiring the signalization of this intersection, which will be funded by Haines and Kibblehouse, as per the quarry agreement. Discussion took place.

Motion was made by Supervisor Salvadore, seconded by Supervisor Manfredi, and carried unanimously to authorize the Township Engineer to prepare a condition diagram for the Rt. 152/Hilltown Pike intersection for signalization. There was no public comment.

L. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Resolution for use of Cell Phones/Signs/Placards, during Public Meetings – Motion was made by Supervisor Salvadore, seconded by Supervisor Manfredi to **adopt Resolution #2006-45, addressing the use of cell phones, signs, and placards during public meetings.**

Public Comment:

1. Mr. Gene Cliver of Telegraph Road asked if residents are no longer permitted to distribute pamphlets in the municipal building. Chairman McIlhinney explained that the restrictions of this Resolution would only prohibit that activity during public meetings.

Motion carried unanimously. There was no further public comment.

2. EMS Correspondence – Supervisor Salvadore explained that several area municipalities, including Hilltown, Bedminster, East Rockhill, Dublin, and Perkasié Borough, have joined together with a \$25,000.00 grant to authorize DCED to conduct an assessment of ambulance services in the Pennridge area. All of the municipalities involved have agreed to send correspondence to the ambulance services asking them to comply with requests from DCED to conduct this study.

Motion was made by Supervisor Salvadore, seconded by Supervisor Manfredi, and carried unanimously to authorize the correspondence to the Pennridge area ambulance services, with the revisions to address the appropriate language for the accountability of the Board of Supervisors for the health, safety, and welfare of its residents according to the Second Class Township Code. There was no public comment.

M. MYLARS FOR SIGNATURE:

1. Wilson Subdivision
2. Penn Foundation Subdivision

N. SUPERVISOR'S COMMENTS – None.

O. PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

P. PRESS CONFERENCE: A conference was held to answer questions of those reporters present.

Q. ADJOURNMENT: Upon motion by Supervisor Salvadore, seconded by Supervisor Manfredi, and carried unanimously, the November 13, 2006 Board of Supervisors meeting was adjourned at 8:52PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Lynda Seimes
Township Secretary

(*These minutes should not be considered official until voted upon by the Board of Supervisors at a public meeting).