HILLTOWN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS REGULARLY SCHEDULED PUBLIC MEETING Monday, November 27, 1995 7:30PM

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Hilltown Township Board of Supervisors was called to order by Chairman William H. Bennett, Jr. at 7:36PM and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Also present were: Kenneth B. Bennington, Vice-Chairman Jack C. Fox, Supervisor Bruce G. Horrocks, Township Manager George C. Egly, Chief of Police C. Robert Wynn, Township Engineer Francis X. Grabowski, Township Solicitor Lynda Seimes, Township Secretary

Chairman Bennett announced the Board, Township Manager, and Township Solicitor met in Executive Session prior to this meeting in order to discuss legal matters. Further, Chairman Bennett advised this meeting would be adjourned at 8:00PM to hold a Public Hearing to discuss the adoption of the proposed Sewer Use Ordinance.

A. <u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES:</u>

Action on the minutes of the September 25, 1995 Meeting (deferred from October 23, 1995 Meeting): Supervisor Bennington stated that if someone wishes to comment at a meeting and have that comment made a part of the minutes, that is fine. In the future, however Supervisor Bennington feels that unless a person is present at a meeting, no written letters should be read publicly and no additional comments should be included in the minutes, over and above what was specifically stated at any given meeting. Supervisor Bennington does not want the letter written by Mr. Carney and read by Chairman Bennett at the September 25, 1995 meeting included in those minutes.

Supervisor Fox noted the Supervisors had requested that a particular section on the tape of the September 25th meeting be played for clarification this evening, specifically, a letter written by Mr. Carney which Supervisor Fox felt contained a great deal of misinformation and outright lies, which was read at the September 25th meeting. Supervisor Fox commented this letter was written three and a half weeks before it was received by the Township, and the project in question had already received approval from the Township. Supervisor Fox is willing to forgo the playing of that tape this evening and hopes that the Board of Supervisors can begin anew with regard to this project. Supervisor Bennington and Chairman Bennett were in agreement.

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Supervisor Fox noted the following correction:

- page 11, fourth paragraph, second sentence, should read "The contribution will be offset by the expenditures of owner for the actual design and actual construction costs of the required sanitary sewer line to be constructed by owner for the purpose of providing public sanitary sewer service to properties north of the subject site."

Motion was made by Supervisor Bennington, seconded by Supervisor Fox, and carried unanimously to approve the minutes of the September 25, 1995 Board of Supervisors meeting, as corrected.

Action on the minutes of the October 23, 1995 Board of Supervisor's Meeting: Motion was made by Supervisor Fox, seconded by Supervisor Bennington, and carried unanimously to approve the minutes of the October 23, 1995 Board of Supervisor's Meeting, as written.

Action on the minutes of the November 13, 1995 Board of Supervisor's Worksession Meeting: Motion was made by Supervisor Fox, seconded by Supervisor Bennington, and carried unanimously to approve the minutes of the November 13, 1995 Board of Supervisor's Worksession meeting, as written.

B. <u>TREASURER'S REPORT - Mr. Bruce Horrocks</u>, Township Manager - Mr. Horrocks presented the Treasurer's Report with the following balances as of November 27, 1995:

General Fund Checking Account	\$ 51,946.66
Payroll Checking Account	\$ 329.12
Fire Fund Checking Account	\$ 59,440.85
Debt Service Investment Checking Account	\$ 108,855.09
State Highway Aid Checking Account	46,720.71
Escrow Fund Checking Account	\$ 110,433.21

Motion was made by Supervisor Fox, seconded by Supervisor Bennington, and carried unanimously to approve the Treasurer's Report dated November 27, 1995, subject to audit.

C. RESIDENT'S COMMENTS ON CONFIRMED APPOINTMENTS ONLY: None.

D. CONFIRMED APPOINTMENTS:

1. <u>Mr. George Collie - Heritage Building Group, Inc.</u> - Mr. Collie presented a sketch plan of his proposal for the former Elysian Fields property located on Orchard Road. Mr. Collie presented this same sketch to the Hilltown Township Planning Commission for their comments. The plan proposes 34 dwellings, including an existing house, which is in conformance with the newly

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adopted Zoning Ordinance. This plan is a reduction from 59 dwelling units originally proposed for Elysian Fields. The applicant has obtained water and sewer EDU's which have been paid for and owned by the Heritage Building Group. The Planning Commission had suggested that the applicant consider constructing a walking path from the end of the cul-de-sac down Orchard Road and also recommended that curbs and sidewalks be a requirement.

Mr. Collie noted the Planning Commission questioned the exodus onto Orchard Road and how the new proposal related to the former Elysian Fields plan. Mr. Collie pointed out the difference between both plans, advising the new proposed entrance from Orchard Road is approximately 70 ft. east on the new plan as opposed to the old plan. Chairman Bennett asked the average lot size. Mr. Collie replied the average lot sizes are 9,041 ft., which is approximately 1/5th of an acre, and the smallest lot size is 8,000 ft.. Chairman Bennett asked what the price range of the proposed homes will be. Mr. Collie believes the cost will be approximately \$170,000.00 to \$190,000.00 per dwelling.

Supervisor Fox noted the Planning Commission suggested the applicant supply the Park and Recreation Board with a copy of the proposed plan for their review and recommendation. Mr. Collie has provided a copy of the plan to the Park and Recreation Board and advised the open space on this site abuts the Township open space area in the Pleasant Meadows Subdivision. Mr. Collie explained there should be a great deal less impact on the traffic on Orchard Road because of the decline in the quantity of units. Further, the plan has been designed with 32 ft. wide interior cartways. Mr. Collie is a proponent of keeping the cartway fairly wide in a subdivision of this size because there undoubtedly will be parking on the street.

Supervisor Bennington believes there is a requirement on the final approved Elysian Fields plan for curbing from the entrance of Pleasant Meadows down to the Hillcrest Road, as part of the road widening requirements. Mr. Collie asked if the Board would consider relief of this requirement since the new plan is providing for a great deal less density. There is widening on the opposite side of the roadway near Morgan Lane for the distance of that particular subdivision. Mr. Collie noted the rest of Orchard Road contains no curbs, sidewalks, or widening from the Slifer tract up to Walnut Street, and on the right hand side of the road down to Diamond Street. Supervisor Bennington understands that, however he stated Orchard Road was once a back country road, and it is no longer that. Orchard Road is heavily traveled and this requirement for curbing and widening was a key to the final approval of the original Elysian Fields plan. The Supervisors feel very strongly that the requirement for road widening and curbing be added to the new plan.

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Mr. Wynn advised there is the possibility of a future plan for the Finkelstein property, which could facilitate the installation of curb and widening along Orchard Road on the opposite side towards Diamond Street. Mr. Collie agreed, stating that was one of the requirements for the Finkelstein plan approval approximately one year ago. Further, Mr. Wynn noted the Planning Commission made no specific formal recommendation on this plan, however there was some general discussion.

Mr. Collie asked if the Board thought a walking path from the culde-sac down to Orchard Road is necessary or if the sidewalk would be satisfactory. Supervisor Fox felt that decision should be made via a recommendation from the Park and Recreation Board and the Supervisors agreed.

E. MANAGER'S REPORT - Mr. Bruce G. Horrocks -

Chief Eqly stated there was an incident on Reliance Road 1. one week ago, which he would like to comment on at this time. Chief Egly believes the results of that situation could have been tragic because it involved a distraught individual armed with a large caliper handgun who was running through the industrial park and the wooded area, threatening himself and some of his close relatives. Chief Eqly had activated the T.E.S.T. Team and a large In an attempt to number of police officers were on the scene. restrict the individual's access to family members at his home, Chief Eqly closed Reliance Road completely. While the police were attempting to contact the family by phone from the mobile headquarters, their line was always busy. After finally speaking to family members, Chief Egly was informed a member of the news media was tying up the line to the house. In the 13 years that he has been Chief, Chief Egly has cooperated fully with most of the Calling this family's residence really did a news media. disservice to the police department on the scene because there was an operation plan in effect. Chief Eqly was upset that he had to deploy four officers away from the search for this individual in order to station them at the house because there was no communication with that family. Most of the news media cooperated fully with Chief Egly, and he thanked those members. This was a potentially dangerous situation which could have become tragic at any moment. The next day, this same news organization phoned the District Attorney's Office in an attempt to coerce Chief Egly to Chief Egly then reminded the release the individual's name. Assistant District Attorney that under the Mental Health Law, there is such a thing known as confidentiality of records. Chief Egly quoted this document, which follows "All documents concerning persons in treatment shall be kept confidential, and without the person's written signature, may not be released to anyone. In no event, however, shall privileged communications, whether written or oral, be disclosed to anyone without such written consent."

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Chief Egly believes there is no law compelling the police department to supply news media with information, and Solicitor Grabowski concurred. Chief Egly explained he was also trying to protect two young children who would have been traumatized by the release of the individual's name.

2. Chief Egly is seeking Board approval to advertise that the Hilltown Township Police Department is seeking police applicants. Chief Egly understands the budget has not yet been finalized, however he would like to review these applications in the event hiring of police officers is authorized. Hatfield Township recently advertised for two police officer openings and received approximately 500 applicants. Review of applications is a tedious process and Chief Egly would like time to do it properly. Chief Egly stated the advertisement will require that all applicants must be Act 120 certified. Supervisor Fox asked for Chief Egly explained all applicants must have clarification. completed the mandatory training for police officers and be certified as to satisfactory completion. The course consists of 520 hours of intense training. Chairman Bennett feels this is an excellent idea.

Also, Chief Egly is seeking Board authorization to charge applicants a fee of \$20.00 for the test which presently costs the Township \$12.00 per person, plus administrative fees.

Supervisor Bennington suggested this matter be tabled for further discussion in Executive Session following this meeting. The Board was in agreement.

*8:00PM - The regularly scheduled Board of Supervisors meeting was adjourned at 8:05PM in order to conduct a PUBLIC HEARING to discuss and consider the adoption of the revised Sewer Use Ordinance, as proposed by Telford Borough Authority.

Solicitor Grabowski explained a Public Hearing was advertised for this evening at 8:00PM to discuss and consider the possible adoption of a revised Sewer Use Ordinance. The Sewer Use Ordinance is a revision of an existing Sewer Use Ordinance which was adopted by the Hilltown Township Board of Supervisors in 1994. At that time, the Pennridge Wastewater Treatment Authority requested the Township of Hilltown, along with all its other municipal customers, to consider adopting regulations regarding the use of sanitary This Ordinance came about due to requirements of sewer systems. the Environmental Protection Agency and was adopted by those municipalities who use the Pennridge Wastewater Treatment The Telford Borough Authority approached Hilltown Authority. Township several months ago regarding enforcement problems they were experiencing with some non-residential customers, stating they wished to put a bit more "teeth" into the Sewer Use Ordinance.

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Telford Borough Authority then revised the existing Sewer Use Ordinance to their satisfaction. A copy of this revised Ordinance was sent to the Pennridge Wastewater Treatment Authority for their input. P.W.T.A. is of the opinion that the revised Ordinance is satisfactory and should be adopted. Solicitor Grabowski has reviewed the revisions to the Ordinance, as did the engineer for the Hilltown Authority.

Mr. Dick Feindler, Manager of the Telford Borough Authority, was in attendance to discuss the proposed Ordinance and to answer any questions the Board might have. Mr. Feindler noted the Ordinance, when it was adopted previously, was fine at the time, unfortunately, it was written specifically for P.W.T.A. by their engineer. They did not take into consideration the fact that a portion of Hilltown Township and a portion of West Rockhill Township, are served by the Telford Borough Authority Wastewater Treatment plant located in Franconia Township. Therefore, only violations occurring in the lines going directly to P.W.T.A. can be enforced, and no violations can be enforced coming to the Telford plant. There are basically three revisions to the original Ordinance, which are noted below:

- page 1, 1.0 General Provisions, should read: "a. To prevent the introduction of pollutants into any wastewater collection and treatment system (sewer system) serving Hilltown Township (Township) that will interfere with the operation, contaminate the biosolids generated at a POTW, or will otherwise be incompatible with the sewer system;"

- page 6, 1.2 Definitions, should read: "27. Publicly Owned Treatment Works (POTW): A treatment works (serving the Township, such as the Pennridge Wastewater Treatment Authority plant and the Telford Borough Authority plant) as defined by Section 212 of the Act (33 U.S.C. 1292). This definition includes any sewers that convey wastewater to a POTW plant, but does not include pipes, sewers, or other conveyances not connected to a facility providing treatment."

- The third revision was at the request of the Township Solicitor regarding the minimum fine that could be levied. That fine was increased to a higher figure which is more in keeping with the Township's other Ordinances.

Mr. Feindler noted the Township Supervisors have the authority to enforce this Ordinance. This same Ordinance was forwarded to West Rockhill Township and their Board of Supervisors have adopted it.

Supervisor Fox asked for clarification of the following paragraph, stating it does not give any length of time in which notice must be served to a permit holder or officer:

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- page 28, Section 5.7.2 Notice of Hearing: Thereafter, upon notice in writing given to the permit holder or any agent or officer thereof at least five (5) days prior to the time fixed, the Township shall convene and conduct a hearing on the propriety or lack thereof of the notice of suspension or revocation. The cost of the stenographic transcript of such a proceeding shall be borne by the Appellant who shall pay a filing fee of Seven Hundred Fifty (\$750.00) Dollars, or such other amount as may be established by the Township by separate Resolution."

Supervisor Fox asked if any length of time is given to a permit holder. Mr. Feindler replied the paragraph states "at least five (5) days prior to the time fixed, " however it does not say what the time fixed would have to be. Mr. Feindler believes that would be at the discretion of the enforcing party. Mr. Feindler noted if the P.W.T.A. or the T.B.A. were enforcing an action, there would be copies of all correspondence directed to the Township Supervisors, so that if there is a conflict with a hearing date, a simple telephone call or note would suffice to reschedule. Solicitor Grabowski feels the flexibility which has been built into the Ordinance must take into account a situation where there may be a catastrophic, illegal discharge underway by a non-residential sewer customer that should be dealt with expediently. This may not necessarily be a situation where a hearing could wait 30 days. From that standpoint, Solicitor Grabowski believes this is why the authors of the Ordinance did not place a 30 day requirement for a hearing in the revised Ordinance. Supervisor Fox thought E.P.A. or D.E.R. presently has a standard in place where they could shut down operations of an illegal discharge in a situation such as this. Unfortunately, Solicitor Grabowski advised E.P.A. does not Technically, E.P.A. has the ability to be work that quickly. involved, however he knows of no real situation where E.P.A. has been called in to stop illegal discharges. Solicitor Grabowski feels that T.B.A. and P.W.T.A., or any Authority who serves the Township, will be able to quickly and efficiently enforce the Ordinance.

Mr. Feindler commented the Board is aware of a specific commercial property that has been flaunting itself by putting high quantities of grease and oil in the system which has been causing T.B.A. difficulties at the pumping station and treatment plant. When this Ordinance is adopted, Mr. Feindler advised T.B.A. will finally have the power to go after that individual and take him to court.

There was no Public Comment concerning this proposed Ordinance.

Motion was made by Supervisor Bennington, seconded by Supervisor Fox, and carried unanimously to **adopt Ordinance #95-6, the revised** Sewer Use Ordinance for Hilltown Township.

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8:17PM - The Public Hearing for the proposed Sewer Use Ordinance was adjourned and Chairman Bennett reconvened the regularly scheduled Board of Supervisors meeting of Monday, November 27, 1995 at 8:17PM.

E. <u>MANAGER'S REPORT (Continued):</u>

3. Mr. Horrocks advised two bids were opened at 10:00AM today, as advertised, for construction of a traffic signal at the intersection of Rt. 113 and Diamond Street. The bids received were as follows:

L. Rice Electric - \$25,457.00 Telco Inc. - \$38,744.00

Motion was made by Supervisor Bennington, seconded by Supervisor Fox, and carried unanimously to award the traffic signal bid to L. Rice Electric, in the amount of \$25,457.00, pending receipt of the required performance bond and appropriate insurance certificate.

Mr. Horrocks is seeking Board approval to authorize the 4. Township Solicitor and the Township Engineer to review and assist in the preparation of an easement agreement with the owner of a property located at the intersection Rt. 113 and Bethlehem Pike. The easement is for a revised PennDot condition diagram which will place a mast arm further back on private property, off the PennDot right-of-way. Supervisor Fox asked what this will cost the Township. Mr. Horrocks does not believe the owner of the property will request any financial reimbursement for an easement. Mr. Wynn explained this is basically a pole easement for the mast arm, which is what the Township requires in order to make the revision to the current condition diagram. Mr. Horrocks noted the cost of the revisions to the traffic signal are approximately \$4,500.00 and it is being addressed for left turn arrows for second phasing for Rt. 113 in both directions. The Board agreed to table this matter until the December 26, 1995 meeting. Chief Egly suggested the Board at least proceed with the easement because he has persuaded the property owner to agree to the pole relocation.

Motion was made by Supervisor Fox, seconded by Supervisor Bennington, and carried unanimously to proceed with the process of solidifying the easement with the property owner at the intersection of Bethlehem Pike and Rt. 113, for the pole relocation.

5. Mr. Horrocks presented a Resolution from Bucks County dealing with the Tohickon Creek Watershed. The proposed Resolution states that Hilltown Township indicates its intent to fully and actively participate in the stormwater management planning process for the Tohickon Creek Watershed and agrees to provide all needed Page 9 Board of Supervisors November 27, 1995

coordination and direction for all aspects of the planning process through its designated municipal representative. The municipality understands that funding for the plan development will be provided by the state of Pennsylvania and Bucks County through county services and that no municipal funds will be required.

Motion was made by Supervisor Bennington, seconded by Supervisor Fox, and carried unanimously to adopt Resolution 95-46 with regard to the Tohickon Creek Watershed and to appoint Mr. Horrocks, Township Manager, as the representative to the Tohickon Creek Watershed Advisory Committee.

6. Mr. Horrocks presented eleven Escrow Releases for the Board's authorization:

Bricks Villa	Voucher	#08	\$135,998.64
Bricks Villa	Voucher	#09	\$ 2,848.95
Country Roads Phase II	Voucher	#16	\$ 9,594.00
Hilltown Crossings	Voucher	#01	\$ 3,175.55
Hilltown Crossings	Voucher	#02	\$279,050.08
Hilltown Hunt	Voucher	#07	\$ 1,380.45
Ralph Moyer Subdivision	Voucher	#02	\$ 6,871.50
Sara A. Nickel Subdivision	Voucher	#02	\$ 43,308.57
Quiet Acres Mobile Home Park	Voucher	#14	\$ 886.30
Quiet Acres Mobile Home Park	Voucher	#15	\$ 9,955.80
Spur Road Associates (Fretz)	Voucher	#04	\$ 1,080.95

Motion was made by Supervisor Bennington, seconded by Supervisor Fox, and carried unanimously to release the eleven bankheld letters of credit, as noted above.

7. At the last worksession meeting, the Zoning Officer was directed to investigate an existing billboard located on Bethlehem Pike, just north of Cherry Lane. Mr. Horrocks explained the billboard was in place at that location before 1983. In 1983, the owner of the billboard supplied the Township with a sign permit allowing them to reconstruct that billboard.

In that Ordinance at the time, Supervisor Fox noted only one sign was allowed on each property. Since that time, Bearings and Drives has erected their own advertising sign. Therefore, Supervisor Fox commented there are two signs for the property, one advertising off-site material and one advertising on-site, though only one sign per property is allowed. Mr. Wynn advised there are two parcels owned by Bearings and Drives, with the legal nonconforming billboard located on one parcel, and the Bearings and Drives freestanding sign located on the other parcel..

8. Mr. Horrocks is seeking Board authorization to allow the Township Solicitor and Township Engineer to attend the next

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Planning Commission worksession meeting. The Planning Commission will be conducting their final review of the Subdivision/Land Development Ordinance.

Motion was made by Supervisor Fox, seconded by Supervisor Bennington, and carried unanimously to authorize the Township Solicitor and the Township Engineer to attend the next Planning Commission worksession meeting on December 4, 1995.

Motion was made by Supervisor Fox, seconded by Supervisor Bennington, and carried unanimously to authorize the advertisement of a Public Hearing to be held on December 26, 1995 to consider the adoption of the revised Subdivision/Land Development Ordinance.

9. Mr. Horrocks is seeking direction from the Supervisors concerning changing the name of Old Bethlehem Road. There has been a great deal of confusion with emergency personnel in the past between Old Bethlehem Road and Bethlehem Pike, both of which are located in Hilltown Township. Mr. Horrocks noted the house numbers for the entire length of that road through Hilltown Township will be changed in the very near future. Discussion took place concerning a possible new name for Old Bethlehem Road. Supervisor Fox explained the historic Indian name for Old Bethlehem Road was "Minsi Trail." Chairman Bennett noted there is a "Minsi Trail" located in Bethlehem, and Supervisor Fox stated it is a continuation of the same road which went to Minisink Island.

Motion was made by Supervisor Bennington, seconded by Supervisor Fox, and carried unanimously to authorize the advertisement of a Public Hearing to be held on Monday, December 11, 1995 to change the name of "Old Bethlehem Road" to "Minsi Trail."

10. Mr. Horrocks presented an updated version of the 1996 General Fund Budget. Currently, the deficit is at \$65,000.00, however there are still more items to be addressed, both in revenue and expenditures.

F. CORRESPONDENCE:

1. The Township has received a copy of Sellersville Borough's revised Comprehensive Plan. Supervisor Fox suggested a copy be sent to the Planning Commission for their review.

2. Verification was given from the Telford Borough Authority that the Township is now receiving funds back from the sewer project. A total of \$74,000.00 has been received to date.

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G. <u>SOLICITOR'S REPORT - Mr. Francis X. Grabowski, Township</u> <u>Solicitor</u> -

1. Solicitor Grabowski presented Resolutions #95-47 and #95-48 to accept a Deed of Dedication for the internal road (Clarion Drive) within the Tel-Vil Subdivision; and to declare that roadway for public purpose.

Motion was made by Supervisor Bennington, seconded by Supervisor Fox, and carried unanimously to adopt Resolution #95-47 to accept the Deed of Dedication for Clarion Drive within the Tel-Vil Subdivision; and to adopt Resolution #95-48 to declare public purpose of Clarion Drive within the Tel-Vil Subdivision.

H. PLANNING - Mr. C. Robert Wynn, Township Engineer -

1. <u>Blosser Subdivision</u> - Mr. Wynn advised the Planning Commission unanimously recommended approval of the Blosser Subdivision located on Blooming Glen Road within the village of Blooming Glen. The plan proposes to transfer 1,674 sq.ft. of land area to an adjoining lot. No new building lots are proposed. The Planning Commission's recommendation for approval was conditioned upon the following:

- Lot #2 must be conveyed into TMP #15-30-4 and is not to be a separate deed of record as indicated by note #2 on the plan. New deed must be recorded at the County at the time of recordation of the subdivision plan.
- Right-of-way area of Blooming Glen Road must be dedicated to the Township as offered by note #3 on the plan.
- Property pins and monuments must be installed prior to plan recordation and certified in writing by the responsible surveyor.

Motion was made by Supervisor Bennington, seconded by Supervisor Fox, and carried unanimously to grant final plan approval to the Blosser Subdivision, pending completion of the outstanding items as listed above in Mr. Wynn's engineering review letter.

2. <u>Edmonds Subdivision</u> - This minor subdivision is located on Fairhill Road and the plan proposes transferring a 50 ft. wide strip of land (Lot #2) to an adjoining parcel. Upon recordation of the plan, TMP #15-22-29 will become a conforming flag lot. Presently, this lot is non-conforming as it has no road frontage. No new building lots are proposed by the subdivision. The plan was unanimously recommended for approval by the Planning Commission conditioned upon the following: Page 12 Board of Supervisors November 27, 1995

- Lot #2 must be incorporated into TMP #15-22-29 and not be a separate deed of record.
- Fairhill Road right-of-way must be dedicated to the Township as offered by the note on the plan.
- Property pins and monuments must be installed as shown on the plan.
- Planning Module approval is required from the Bucks County Department of Health and D.E.P. unless a waiver is granted by D.E.P..

Motion was made by Supervisor Bennington, seconded by Supervisor Fox, and carried unanimously to grant final plan approval to the Edmonds Subdivision, pending completion of the outstanding items as listed above and noted in Mr. Wynn's engineering review letter.

3. <u>Keystone Estates Subdivision</u> - Mr. Wynn advised this preliminary plan for a proposed five lot subdivision with a culde-sac street was unanimously recommended for denial by the Planning Commission due to non-compliance with the Zoning Ordinance and Subdivision Ordinance regulations as contained within the engineering review dated October 9, 1995. The site is located on Keystone Drive. The Planning Commission recommendation provides that in the event an extension is granted by the applicant not later than December 17, 1995, the denial action is voided. Mr. Wynn noted an extension was received on November 24, 1995 for a period of 60 days.

4. A proposal was received from PP&L seeking authorization to install four street lights in the Bricks Villa Subdivision. These four street lights are shown on the approved subdivision plan. PP&L requires the Board's authorization to install those street lights, with an increase in cost to the Township in the amount of \$772.00 per year. In other subdivisions, Mr. Wynn noted those costs are passed on to the individual property owners by way of individual street light assessment.

In the past, Supervisor Bennington noted, the Township has experienced problems forcing homeowners to install the lights at the end of driveways as required by the plan. Supervisor Bennington asked if that situation has been remedied in this subdivision. Mr. Wynn replied that driveway lights are a plan requirement and will be installed before occupancy.

Motion was made by Supervisor Fox, seconded by Supervisor Bennington, and carried unanimously to authorize the installation of four street lights in the Bricks Villa (Hilltown Woods)

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Subdivision, as stated above.

5. The second proposal received from PP&L is seeking authorization to install five street lights at the Bethlehem Pike Industrial Park for the proposed cul-de-sac street. These lights are larger since it is an industrial environment. One of those lights will be mounted on an existing pole, and the remaining four will be placed on a high mount underground supplied pole. The five lights will cost \$1,127.27 annually, which will be assessed to the individual industrial lots. All five lights are shown on the approved plan.

Motion was made by Supervisor Fox, seconded by Supervisor Bennington, and carried unanimously to authorize the installation of the five street lights at the Bethlehem Pike Industrial Park as noted above.

6. The Derstine Land Development on Schoolhouse Road has a requirement to install an enclosure for a trash dumpster and to install property pins and monuments. The Township is in receipt of correspondence, dated November 20, 1995, from Mr. Daryl Derstine seeking relief of those two requirements. Mr. Derstine indicated he will not be having a dumpster and obviously will no longer need to have a dumpster enclosure. Mr. Wynn recommended that this first request be approved.

With regard to the second request, Mr. Wynn explained Mr. Derstine has personally installed the monuments and has noted that it would cost \$325.00 to re-survey the property. Mr. Wynn is stunned that someone would install monuments and is not certain if it is even legal. Therefore, it is Mr. Wynn's recommendation that the second request by Mr. Derstine be denied.

Motion was made by Supervisor Bennington, seconded by Supervisor Fox, and carried unanimously to approve the waiver request which will not require Mr. Derstine to install a stockade enclosure for the trash dumpster at the Derstine Land Development; and to deny the waiver request for the survey and installation of pins and monuments at the Derstine Land Development.

7. After reading through the Planning Commission minutes with regard to the Marinucci Subdivision, it appears to Supervisor Bennington that the applicant's attorney seemed to think that a waiver had been granted on the water system for that subdivision. Mr. Wynn does not believe that Mr. Marinucci and his attorney had that impression.

8. Supervisor Bennington advised there has been some confusion with regard to the sewer line for the Hilltown Crossing Shopping Center. Supervisor Bennington believes that the applicant

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for Hilltown Crossing was not required to install a sewer line because the sewer line they could have used was already present. Further, Supervisor Bennington understands that what the applicant is doing as part of the \$150,000.00 contribution is not to tap into the David and David private sewer line, but rather to extend the line further so that it can continue north on Rt. 309 to Swartley Mr. Wynn explained the applicant is boring a sewer line Road. under Rt. 309 in order to connect to the public sewer line located on the opposite side of the street. That public sewer line will then be extended to Hilltown Crossings property line at the existing manhole. That line will be extended as far north as the Skate Ranch to serve all properties on that side of Rt. 309. According to Supervisor Fox, one of the reasons why that sewer line which runs from the former Carney property to David and David was not considered, is because it is a private line that was never accepted by Hatfield Township. Mr. Wynn noted that sewer line is on the Hatfield Township side of the street. For the Hilltown Crossing development, the applicant did not have to bore under Rt. 309, they did so to save all those failing systems.

9. Mr. Horrocks advised the Pellow Subdivision linens will be available for Board's signature following the meeting.

10. At the Budget worksession held last Friday, Mr. Horrocks was directed to seek authorization to go out on bid for two salt storage buildings and a seasonal storage building. Supervisor Bennington noted the reason for this direction is to avoid being fined by E.P.A..

Motion was made by Supervisor Fox, seconded by Supervisor Bennington, and carried unanimously to authorize advertisement of a bid for two salt storage buildings and a seasonal storage building to be constructed, with sufficient buffering, at the rear of the municipal building.

Aesthetically, Supervisor Fox does not feel the site behind the municipal building is the proper location for the salt storage sheds, however the Township is under eminent threat of being fined by E.P.A. and really has no choice in the matter.

Chairman Bennett commented it is only a matter of time before the Township runs out of storage room for documents and files. Chairman Bennett wondered if it would be possible to designate a section of one of the proposed buildings to be used for document storage if needed in the future. Mr. Horrocks believes the size of the proposed buildings will certainly accommodate an area for storage, however he is concerned about the effect on paper products in an unheated building. If authorization is given, Mr. Horrocks suggested that the building chosen for overflow storage be dehumidified and sealed.

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I. <u>ENGINEERING</u>: None.

J. <u>RESIDENT'S COMMENTS:</u>

1. Mr. Nick Lupinacci of Upper Stump Road was in attendance with his neighbor, Walter Helhowski, who are concerned about the possible quarry expansion. Mr. Lupinacci noted Supervisor Bennington had recently made a suggestion that a committee be formed consisting of residents and Township officials in order to discuss and review any proposed quarry expansion. Mr. Lupinacci and Mr. Helhowski volunteered to serve on this committee. The Supervisors will take this matter under consideration. To Chairman Bennett's knowledge, no further progress on the quarry expansion has yet been announced.

2. Mrs. Shirley Gregory of Limekiln Pike stated she and her husband would also like to be considered as members of the quarry expansion committee.

K. <u>SUPERVISOR'S COMMENTS:</u>

Supervisor Bennington had originally suggested the 1. formation of a committee to study any quarry expansion and feels this issue is very important. Even though Public Hearings would be held, Supervisor Bennington feels that dialogue between the Township officials and the residents who live in the vicinity of the quarry should be addressed before Public Hearings are held. Supervisor Bennington has given a great deal of thought to the matter since he made the suggestion to form a committee, and feels a larger number of residents should be involved in the committee than just the two or three he mentioned previously. Supervisor Bennington would also like to have Father McBride of Our Lady of Sacred Heart Church be member of the committee since the quarry expansion would have a great impact on the church due to its proximity to the quarry. Further, Supervisor Bennington feels a representative from the Park and Recreation Board, and the Water and Sewer Authority should be appointed, as well as the Township Engineer and Township Solicitor as consultants to this group, when Supervisor Bennington feels this is the way the Board needed. needs to approach things in the 1990's, and it will help to get the community involved in the decision making process. Supervisor Fox agreed and felt an even larger number of citizens should be appointed to the committee in order to bring forth their ideas and concerns to the Supervisors even before Public Hearings are held.

L. <u>PRESS CONFERENCE</u>: A conference was held to answer questions of those reporters present.

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M. <u>ADJOURNMENT:</u> Upon motion by Supervisor Fox, seconded by Supervisor Bennington, and carried unanimously, the November 27, 1995 Board of Supervisor's meeting was adjourned at 9:12PM.

Respectfully submitted,

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Lynda Seimes Township Secretary