

**HILLTOWN TOWNSHIP
SUPERVISORS' MEETING
September 11, 1989**

The meeting of the Hilltown Township Board of Supervisors was called to order by Chairman Robert H. Grunmeier at 7:30 P.M.

Members present were: Robert H. Grunmeier, Chairman
Betty J. Kelly, Vice Chairperson
William H. Bennett, Jr., Supervisor

Others present were: James H. Singley, Township Manager
Francis X. Grabowski, Twp. Solicitor
C. Robert Wynn, Township Engineer
Lieut. Kerry Trauger
Thomas Buzby, Roadmaster
Gloria G. Neiman, Township Secretary

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion was made by Mrs. Kelly to approve the minutes of the 8/28/89 Supervisors' Meeting as written; motion seconded by Mr. Bennett and carried unanimously.

B. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE: Billing in the following amounts was approved by the Board: General Fund \$23,091.64; Street Lighting Fund \$323.70; and State Highway Aid \$253.71. Motion was made by Mrs. Kelly to pay bills when due; motion seconded by Mr. Bennett and carried unanimously.

C. TREASURER'S REPORT: Mr. Singley read the September report as follows: General Fund \$68,560.07; Street Lighting Fund \$1,699.70; Fire Protection Fund \$3,222.39; Capital Projects Fund \$345.03; Highway Aid Fund \$85,928.21; Police Pension Fund \$45,696.97; Non-Uniform Pension Fund \$25,602.53; Federal Revenue Sharing Fund \$3,618.12; Fire Protection Fund \$77,127.31; Escrow Fund \$12,228.59. Motion was made by Mr. Bennett to accept the report as read, subject to audit; motion seconded by Mrs. Kelly and carried unanimously.

D. CONFIRMED APPOINTMENTS:

1. Michael Toth: Ms. Laurel Mueller, Soils Scientist and Consultant for Mr. Toth, was present to discuss location of an additional driveway (not shown on original plan) on Lot #10 at the corner of Rosey Lane & Mill Road, in Mr. Toth's development. Entrance to this lot is off of Mill Road (additional access) and Rosey Lane (driveway proposed on plan). All Supervisors indicated that they had inspected the driveway in question and would have no objection to its location. Mr. Bennett stated that, since Mill Road is not a highly traveled road, he could see no problem with this driveway; however, if this situation should arise again with a major artery road, his decision could be different. Motion was made by Mrs. Kelly to approve the additional driveway location with the requirement that a driveway permit be obtained from the township and that the Roadmaster investigate the area; motion was seconded by Mr. Bennett and carried unanimously.

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2. Habitations - Randy Miley: Mr. Miley was present to ask the Board's consideration of a waiver of the community water system requirement recommended by the township PC. Mr. Miley and Mr. Steve Marinelli, Urwiler & Walter, indicated this would be a hardship and asked that Mr. Miley be allowed to construct individual wells for the nine lots. The Board tabled action until their next meeting in order to allow time to review the water study report performed by Intex. Mr. Miley will be a confirmed appointment for the 9/25/89 Supervisors' meeting.

E. MANAGER'S REPORT:

1. Post Office - letter received from Congressman Kostmayer who indicated he has made inquiries with the postal service regarding a centralized post office in Hilltown Township, and that there will be a meeting in the near future. Another letter was received from Senator Heinz, indicating he also has made inquiries.

2. Program in Arts - Correspondence received advising that matching grants are available from the PA Council on the Arts for programs in the arts (i.e., artistic shows for children during the summer, art display, etc.). The Board agreed to allow Mr. Singley to submit information to the Park & Recreation Board.

3. Line Lexington Sewer - Letter received from the Hilltown Township Volunteer Fire Company, asking the Supervisors grant relief from sewer connection fees for the fire company. Motion was made by Mr. Bennett to allow the Township Solicitor to write up a service agreement with HTWSA and the New Britain/Chalfont Authority; motion seconded by Mrs. Kelly and carried unanimously. Mr. Bennett noted that the fire company is a non-profit organization.

4. Aztec Sales, 4300 Bethlehem Pike, Telford - report dated 8/24/89 received from Clarence Myers, Zoning Officer, indicating that Mr. John Alvarez' business, Aztec Sales & Service Co., Inc. (previously David's Unfinished Furniture Store), is an allowable use in the LI (Light Industrial Zoning District). Mr. Myers indicated that, in his opinion, "Mr. Alvarez had no intention of abandoning the non-conforming use" . . . and that he is rebuilding the collapsed structure and expanding his existing wholesale business. Motion was made by Mr. Bennett to allow the non-conforming use on the Aztec Sales property as recommended by the Zoning Officer; motion seconded by Mrs. Kelly and carried unanimously.

F. ROAD REPORT: Mr. Buzby, Roadmaster, read the report dated July 30 thru September 9, 1989 which is on file at the Township building.

G. POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT: In Chief Egly's absence, Lt. Kerry Trauger read the report for the month of August which is on file at the township building.

H. ENGINEERING/PLANNING:

1. Nob Hill, Phase III - Mr. Wynn explained that this is a change in lot line from a previously approved plan (line shifted 2+ feet), and that there is adequate frontage. Motion was made by Mrs. Kelly to approve the revision on the Nob Hill Phase III Plan; motion seconded by Mr. Bennett and carried unanimously.

2. Kollar Subdivision - 2 lot subdivision on Hilltown Pike with one proposed dwelling located on Lot #2, to be served by private well and a sand mound. PC recommended approval subject to: Waiver of street improvements; lot/depth/width ratio for Lot #2; plan based on topographic information rather than on-site survey; verification of PennDOT approval for proposed driveway; and installation of buffer plantings; verification of on-lot sewage; and dedication of ultimate right-of-way. Mr. Wynn stated that he received a call today, advising that the current owner does not want location of house built as shown on the plan; Dr. Kollars will have a revised house location shown on the plan for PC's review at their 9/18/89 meeting. Motion was made by Mr. Bennett to approve the Kollar Subdivision, subject to stipulations stated by PC and revision in relocation of the house; motion seconded by Mrs. Kelly and carried unanimously.

3. Ludlow Subdivision - 3 lot subdivision on Diamond Street. Preliminary plan recommended for approval by PC; to be serviced by public sewer and temporary private individual on-site wells. Requirement made for payment of \$10,000 fees for future water connections; contribution of \$10,500 to HTWSA for future water line construction; and establishment of escrow to cover future cost for water lateral connections. PC recommended that a note be placed on plan indicating intent to use temporary on-site wells (to be reviewed by Township Solicitor); note to be placed on plan regarding pond area, indicating this area cannot be built upon; verification of approval for proposed improvements along frontage of site; approval from HTWSA for sewer service; dedication of Diamond Street; and execution of escrow agreement for public improvements. Motion was made by Mr. Bennett to approve the Ludlow Subdivision preliminary plan subject to stipulations stated by the Township Engineer; motion seconded by Mrs. Kelly and carried unanimously.

4. Broderick Subdivision - Mr. Kemmerer has indicated he will be present at the next Supervisors' meeting. Swale and basin have been rough graded; 13 marked street trees need replacement.

I. SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

1. Skyline Associates Subdivision - Garges Property, Callowhill & Stump Road - Letter of credit has been issued to the Township in the amount of \$66,020.64 for public improvements; development and escrow agreements have been executed. Motion was made by Mr. Bennett to authorize execution of the agreements for Skyline Associates; motion seconded by Mrs. Kelly and carried unanimously.

2. Garges Property - Motion made by Mrs. Kelly to adopt Resolution #89-30, Acceptance of Deed of Dedication for the Garges Property; and Resolution #89-31, Declaration of Public Purpose; motion seconded by Mr. Bennett and carried unanimously.

J. RESIDENT'S COMMENTS:

1. Jack Fox, Hilltown Pike - Mr. Fox requested clarification on the location of Aztec Sales, and was told that it was formerly David's Unpainted Furniture on Rt. 309. Mr. Fox expressed concern that this would require a Zoning Hearing Board decision. Mr. Grabowski read from the Zoning Officer's memo in which he indicated this zoning application was being referred to the Supervisors per Section 605 of the Zoning Ordinance.

2. William Godek, 206 Broad Street - Mr. Godek also expressed concern over the Aztec property and asked for clarification of use. Use H-3 Wholesale and Use E-1 Retail Store. Mr. Godek was advised to contact the Zoning Officer regarding his questions regarding identical use. The Police Department will investigate Mr. Godek's question regarding posting of 45 mph speed limit signs on Broad Street. Mr. Godek also questioned the Habitations Water Study, the Board advised him they will study the report prior to making a decision at the next Supervisors' meeting.

3. John Conrad, Rickert Road - Mr. Conrad expressed concern over the intersection at Rickert Road and Callowhill, and asked that consideration be given to two 3-Way stop signs. Correspondence also received from two other residents (Linda D. Nyce and Mrs. Alvin B. Terry) regarding this area. The Supervisors agreed to have the Police Department and Roadmaster investigate the intersection and report back to them.

4. An unidentified resident of Bypass Road also expressed concern regarding speed on Bypass Road and asked that the Police Department patrol the area frequently. The Board agreed to have the Police Department monitor the area at their discretion.

5. Jim Keeley, Pleasant Meadows - Mr. Keeley asked when signing would take place. Mr. Buzby advised that he is awaiting receipt of signs; they will be installed as soon as entire amount is received. Police Department will advise on traffic study at Pleasant Meadows.

K. CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Copies of Souderton, Dublin and Silverdale fire reports received.

2. The Board approved a request received from NOVA (Network of Victim Assistance) to appear before the Board during budget hearings.

3. PA Public Risk Management Workshop to be held at State College on September 28th at a cost of \$35/person.

4. Invitation received from Silverdale Borough regarding 75th Anniversary Celebration of the Silverdale Volunteer Fire Company on October 7, 1989.

L. SUPERVISOR'S COMMENTS:

1. Mrs. Kelly reported that the Supervisors attended the NATaT (National Association of Towns and Townships) in Washington, DC, with meetings regarding recycling; solid waste; and parks and recreation. The Supervisors also met with Congressman Kostmayer.

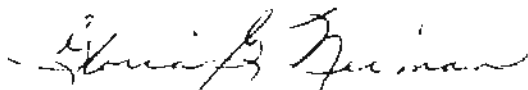
2. Pennridge Action Team request for Supervisors to attend a meeting on Tuesday, September 12th.

3. Bucks County Commissioners' invitation received to attend a luncheon sponsored by the PA State Chamber of Commerce at the Warrington Country Club on Tuesday, September 19th. Supervisors indicated they would attend.

M. PRESS CONFERENCE: A conference followed to answer questions of those reporters present.

There being no further business, a motion of adjournment was made by Mr. Bennett at 9:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Gloria G. Neiman
Township Secretary