

HILLTOWN TOWNSHIP
SUPERVISORS'S MEETING
August 11, 1986

The meeting of the Hilltown Township Board of Supervisors was called to order by Chairman Vincent Pischl, at 7:30 P.M.

Members present were: Vincent Pischl, Chairman
Robert Grunmeier, Vice Chairman

Others present were: C. Robert Wynn, Acting Manager
Ann Walsh, Township Secretary
Frank Grabowski, Twp. Solicitor
George Egly, Jr., Police Chief
Thomas Buzby, Road Superintendent

Chairman Pischl announced that Mrs. Kelly will not be present due to illness. He was pleased to announce that she has been released from the hospital.

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A motion was made by Mr. Grunmeier to approve the minutes of the August 11, 1986 Supervisors' meeting as written; seconded by Chairman Pischl and carried unanimously.

B. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:

Current billing in the amount of \$7,972.48 with an additional street light tax account bill of \$237.39 was approved by the board. Motion was made by Mr. Grunmeier to pay bills when due; seconded by Chairman Pischl and carried unanimously.

C. CONFIRMED APPOINTMENTS:

There were no confirmed appointments scheduled.

D. ACTING TOWNSHIP MANAGER'S REPORT:

1. Old Business:

a) Broad Street Traffic: The Broad Street traffic situation has been under investigation by the Hilltown Township Police Department. Chief Egly reported that on August 6, 1986, the traffic unit conducted a speed check on Broad Street utilizing the E.S.P. timing device. It was reported that between 4:30 p.m. and 6:15 p.m., there was only one speed violator. All others were travelling under speed limit. On August 7, between 2:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m., and on August 8, between 9:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m., no speed violators were reported. The traffic unit will conduct a speed reduction survey, in accordance with PennDOT warrants, as soon as the traffic officers are available. Chairman Pischl asked if there were any questions.

Mr. Joseph Pettner, 1208 Broad Street, Hilltown Township, commented that he still believes traffic is travelling at excess speed. He also remarked that he called the Police Department about a car travelling so fast that it almost hit his mailbox. He said he did not get any response from the Police Department. Chief Egly said he will check the record.

Chairman Pischl announced that the Board of Supervisors will continue to investigate this traffic situation.

b) Broad Street/Callowhill Road Alignment: It was reported that the stakeout was completed by Cowan Associates on August 5, 1986. Contractor was to begin August 6, 1986 but has not commenced to date.

c) Blooming Glenn Sidewalk Reconstruction: Construction has begun on Blooming Glen Road and according to Ventressca & Sons, the contractor, they plan to work on one side at a time for less impact and inconvenience to the residents. Access to the post office will be maintained by constructing a wooden ramp.

d) Work Session: At the last Supervisors' meeting, the Board of Supervisors requested that a joint work session be set up to discuss site location for the new municipal building. Mr. Wynn reported that this meeting has been scheduled for Tuesday, August 26, 1986 at 7:30 p.m. Letters have been sent to the HT Planning Commission, HT Water & Sewer Authority, and HT Park & Recreation Board, informing them of this meeting.

The work session will be closed to the public.

2. New Business:

Mr. Wynn informed the Board that there is a low supply of the Hilltown Township Zoning Ordinance Books. Mrs. Walsh informed the Board that in the past these books have been printed by the Bucks County Planning Commission. After researching various printing companies and comparing costs, she concluded that Sellersville Printing was the least expensive.

Bucks County Planning Commission quoted \$1,300 for 200 copies and Sellersville Printing quoted \$970.00 for 200 copies; a savings of \$330.00. A motion was made by Mr. Grunmeier to have Sellersville Printing produce 200 copies of the Hilltown Township Zoning Ordinance Books at a cost of \$970.00; seconded by Chairman Pischl and unanimously carried.

E. PLANNING:

1. Tom and Joe Pileggi Site Plan: Located on Rt. 309. This plan is a final plan that was recommended for approval by the Hilltown Township Planning Commission with a number of conditions, one of which was that the plan be connected to public water. The preliminary plan approval action was for a private well. At the last Supervisors' meeting, Mr. Jack Hetherington indicated that he had knowledge of an 8" public water line under Rt. 309 at Orvilla Road adjacent to this tract. Mr. Clauss, Engineer for Mr. Pileggi, indicated at the meeting that he had various discussions with North Penn Water Authority, who was not aware of any such water line. At the last meeting, the Board tabled this plan until verification from North Penn Water Authority concerning availability of public water was received. Mr. Wynn met with Mr. Harry Bonchers of NPWA and was informed that Carney's Plumbing Shop and Adventure Park which are adjacent to this tract were serviced by private laterals. There was a 2" private lateral to this site, but there was not an 8" public water line crossing Rt. 309. The reason the 2" line could not service the entire shopping center, is because the DRBC requirements state that when leaseholds are on ground level each store must be metered. This information was verified by Dave Everett of the Delaware River Basin Commission. However, NPWA have now agreed to service the site with water and they will construct a 24" main across Bethlehem Pike and along the frontage of the Donetz property to the Pileggi tract. Mr. Pileggi will construct an 8" water line around the rear of this building to terminate at the Kevin Carney property. This water line will be dedicated to North Penn Water Authority and will provide future service for development of the 26 acres adjacent to this tract. Public water installation will also include installation of a fire hydrant on Rt 309 and a future one at the rear of Pileggi's stores. Mr. Pileggi indicated that he would be willing to install private or public water after resolving this matter with North Penn, abiding with the wishes of the Township.

Mr. Grunmeier clarified again that there is no 8" public water line as represented at the last meeting. Mr. Grunmeier made a motion to approve the Tom and Joe Pileggi Site Development with stipulations as stated by the Planning Commission and that public water be used to service this site; seconded by Chairman Pischl and carried unanimously.

2. David Baker Site Plan: This is a proposed plan for construction of a two-story office building in PC-2 zoning district on Rt. 313 south of Dublin. This site plan is 10 acres. It was indicated by Mr. Wynn that all conditions of the original review action have been addressed including DER permit for spray irrigation and PennDOT Highway Occupancy Permit. Mr. Grunmeier made a motion to give final approval for the David Baker Site Plan with the condition of the satisfactory completion of site improvements; seconded by Chairman Pischl and carried unanimously.

F. SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

Mr. Grabowski presented Resolution #86-40, which is the "Acceptance of Deed of Dedication" for Hilltown Baptist Church Site Plan, and Resolution #86-41, which is the "Declaration of Public Purpose". Both documents have been properly prepared and executed and it would be appropriate for acceptance. A motion was made by Mr. Grunmeier to accept Resolution #86-40 and Resolution #86-41; seconded by Chairman Pischl and carried unanimously. It was reported by the Solicitor that the necessary documents for the Nelson Ruhman Subdivision are being prepared and should be ready for signatures by the next meeting.

G. PUBLIC WORKS REPORT:

Mr. Buzby, Road Superintendent, read the report dated July 6, 1986 through August 2, 1986. Same is on file at the Township office.

H. POLICE CHIEF REPORT:

The July, 1986 report was read by Chief Egly. Same is on file at the Township office. Chief Egly submitted minutes of the T.E.S.T. meeting held on August 7, 1986. It was reported that Officers and Alternates were chosen. The minutes are on file at the Township office.

I. PUBLIC COMMENT:

John Gerner, Editor, News Herald, wished to be heard in order to comment on a personal experience he encountered when his vehicle broke down on South Perkasio Road. John Thomas, Hilltown Township P.D. assisted him. Mr. Gerner wanted to comment on the courtesy showed him and wanted to thank Patrolman Thomas and Chief Egly.

Mrs. Bolger, 324 Rt. 152, again asked for clarification on the Pileggi Site Development, questioning whether the approval included connection to public water. The answer is yes.

Mr. Jim Sanders, Broad Street, expressed concern about the speed of traffic on Broad Street. He is concerned about children walking along this street. Chairman Pischl assured him that the Board of Supervisors are investigating the situation.

Speed checks are being conducted and they must follow the criteria set by PennDOT. The time of the speed checks was questioned by a resident. It was reported by Mr. Wynn that time and dates of speed checks are not announced to the public as this would defeat the purpose if same were known ahead of time.

Mr. Pettner asked if we could have more speed signs put up in the Township. Mr. Grunmeier said that the Township must meet the warrants of PennDOT for posting speed signs.

J. CORRESPONDENCE:

A request for approval was submitted by Ashby Watts and approved by Chief Egly for training for John Thomas for Street Survival II. He attended Street Survival I. The cost is \$75.00 plus lunch at \$9.00. Mr. Grunmeier asked the Acting Township Manager if monies were available. He said there was. A motion was made by Mr. Grunmeier to approval training for John Thomas for Street Survival II; seconded by Chairman Pischl and carried unanimously.

The Dublin Fire Company Report for the month of July, 1986 was received and same is on file at the Township office.

A letter was received from Union National Bank and Trust Company requesting signatures of the Board of Supervisors on the Deposit Contracts for the Non-Uniform Pension Fund checking account established at Union National Bank and Trust Company. This was completed.

It was reported that Hilltown Township has received confirmation from Carl C. Kuehn, II, Deputy Director of the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency, stating that Mr. Richard McCoach has been appointed by Governor Dick Thornburg as Coordinator of Emergency Management for Hilltown Township, Bucks County. This appointment will remain in effect until such time as a vacancy in the position may occur.

Mr. Wynn reported that Mr. Liptak has been under various citations for zoning violations during the past year and a half at his site on Bethlehem Pike. After numerous attempts by the Township to resolve this matter, citations were filed and Mr. Liptak was found guilty of violating the Zoning Ordinance. Mr. Liptak appealed the decision to the County Court. Last April a County Court agreement was reached with Mr. Liptak and he would have to make the required improvements to the property by August 1, 1986. These improvements were discussed. On August 1, a letter was received by Mr. Liptak concerning approval of installation of a fence. This approval action prior to installation was not required by the Township. Mr. Wynn conducted a site inspection on August 4, 1986 and notified Mr. Liptak that he was in default of this agreement. It was noted that a letter was sent to Mr. Nicholas Leonard, Jaczun, Grabowski & Leonard, Solicitor for Hilltown Township, that the items Mr. Liptak agreed to have not been accomplished.

K. SUPERVISORS' COMMENTS:

Mr. Grunmeier read a Press Release concerning the water situation in Hilltown Township. This statement from Mr. Grunmeier is on file at the Township office and is available for review between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. daily.

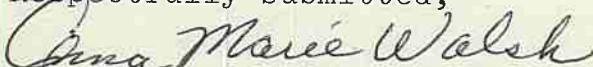
Chairman Pischl announced that the Supervisors will be conducting interviews on Saturday, August 16, 1986 for the purpose of filling the position of Township Manager.

Chairman Pischl asked Mr. Wynn if the paperwork is being prepared for the Agricultural Security District. It was noted that the documents are being processed.

At this time, a Press Conference was held to answer questions from the reporters present.

8:45 P.M. Meeting Adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,



Anna Marie Walsh
Township Secretary