

HILLTOWN TOWNSHIP  
SUPERVISORS' MEETING  
October 14, 1985

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

Members present were: Mr. Vincent Pischl, Chairman  
Mrs. Mary Lockard, Vice Chairman  
Mr. Robert H. Grunmeier, Supervisor

Others present were: Mr. C. Robert Wynn, Twp. Coordinator  
Mrs. Gloria Neiman, Secretary  
George Egly, Police Chief  
Francis X. Grabowski, Twp. Solicitor  
Thomas Buzby, Road Superintendent

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion was made by Mr. Grunmeier to approve the minutes of the 9/23/85 Supervisors' meeting as written, seconded by Mrs. Lockard and carried unanimously.

B. TREASURER'S REPORT: The Treasurer's Report dated 9/30/85 was read by Mr. Wynn; motion was made by Mrs. Lockard to accept the report as given, seconded by Mr. Grunmeier and carried unanimously.

C. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE: Current billing in the amount of \$64,041.87, with a Street Light Tax Account bill of \$236.12, was approved by the Board. Motion was made by Mrs. Lockard to pay bills when due and seconded by Mr. Pischl. Motion carried with a majority of the Board, Mr. Grunmeier abstaining.

D. CONFIRMED APPOINTMENTS: Mr. John Snyder, President of the Line Lexington Fire Company, presented plaques to members of the Board and staff and expressed appreciation on behalf of the Line Lexington Fire Company for their assistance in building of the Substation.

E. TOWNSHIP COORDINATOR'S REPORT:

1. Old Business:

(a) Thomas-Musselman Log Barn Bids - Two bids received from Richard Harlow (\$26,500) and Bryan Murphy (\$55,850) have been reviewed by Jack Fox, President of the Historical Society, and Mr. Wynn. Motion was made by Mrs. Lockard to accept the low bid of Richard Harlow (\$26,500) conditional upon all requirements of Community Development being met, motion seconded by Mr. Grunmeier and carried unanimously.

(b) Sellersville Fire Company - 1985 Service Agreement: Executed agreement received from Sellersville Fire Company -- to be signed by Supervisors after the meeting.

(c) Northern District Sewer Right-of-Way - The Rosenbergers have agreed to settlement of right-of-way for \$3,750. Motion was made by Mrs. Lockard to approve payment to Raymond Rosenberger of \$3,750 from the Northern District Sewer Account for right-of-way, motion seconded by Mr. Grunmeier and carried unanimously.

2. New Business

(a) Resolution #85-33: Compliance with the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, and regulations adopted thereunder. Motion was made by Mr. Grunmeier to adopt Resolution #85-33, seconded by Mrs. Lockard and carried unanimously.



(b) Resolution #85-34: Establishing a Capital Improvement Fund - to fund an account to be used for payment of feasibility studies and reports on the advisability of a new Hilltown Township Municipal Services Building and repairs to existing municipal buildings. Motion was made by Mrs. Lockard to adopt Resolution #85-34, setting up a capital improvement fund in the amount of \$57,500 for the proposed Municipal Building, motion seconded by Mr. Grunmeier and carried unanimously.

(c) Resolution #85-35: Authorizing expenditures of general municipal pension system state aid for the benefit of Hilltown Township's police and non-uniform pension plans and establishing a non-uniform Pension Fund Account. Motion was made by Mrs. Lockard to adopt Resolution #85-35, seconded by Mr. Grunmeier and carried unanimously.

F. SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

1. John Dougherty Subdivision, Rt. 152 and Rickert Road: Motion was made by Mr. Grunmeier to adopt Resolution #85-36, Acceptance of Deed of Dedication for the Dougherty Subdivision, motion seconded by Mrs. Lockard and carried unanimously. Motion was made by Mr. Grunmeier to adopt Resolution #85-37, Acceptance of Public Purpose, seconded by Mrs. Lockard and carried unanimously. Approval of this subdivision was conditional upon extension of 36" pipe on Rickert Road in accordance with Subdivision Ordinance Sec. 505. An escrow agreement has been prepared for Mr. Dougherty in the amount of \$2,500. Motion was made by Mr. Grunmeier to accept the escrow agreement with Mr. Dougherty for \$2,500 to extend piping on Route 152 and Rickert Road; motion seconded by Mrs. Lockard and carried unanimously.
2. Mary Seidel Subdivision - Motion was made by Mrs. Lockard to adopt Resolution #85-38, acceptance of Deed of Dedication, seconded by Mr. Grunmeier and carried unanimously. Motion was made by Mrs. Lockard to adopt Resolution #85-39, Acceptance of Public Purpose, seconded by Mr. Grunmeier and carried unanimously.

G. PUBLIC WORKS REPORT: The report dated 9/2/85 through 10/12/85 was read by Mr. Buzby and is on file at the Township office. Mr. Buzby also indicated that he attended a public works' seminar in Carlisle which was very informative and will be held again next year.

Mr. Pischl announced that the Police Bargaining Unit have named as their Arbitrator, J. Pierce Anderson. The Board, at this time, also indicated their choice of an Arbitrator: Motion was made by Mr. Grunmeier to name Nelson P. Bolton as Hilltown Township Arbitrator for negotiations with the Bargaining Unit, motion seconded by Mrs. Lockard and carried unanimously.

H. POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT: The report for September '85 was read by Chief Egly and is on file at the Township office. Chief Egly also requested the Board's approval of attendance by Officer Brady at the Town Watch Symposium. Motion was made by Mr. Grunmeier to send Officer Brady to the Town Watch Seminar on November 1st and 2nd at a cost of \$35 + room fee, motion seconded by Mrs. Lockard and carried unanimously.





I. PUBLIC COMMENT:

1. John Brennan, South Perkasio Road - Mr. Brennan requested the Supervisors consideration of just compensation for the Pellou property condemned by the HTWSA for use as a public well site. Mr. Grabowski explained that the eminent domain code provides that an offer of estimated compensation be made -- this does not constitute the value of the property. He also informed residents that pump testing would occur on Monday, Oct. 14, and Tuesday, Oct. 15 to determine effect of well on adjacent properties. Mr. Grabowski also informed residents that this property was condemned by the HTWSA, which is a separate entity, and not under the jurisdiction of the Supervisors. Mr. Pischl also explained that this is a back-up well and will be used for future developments. In answer to a question regarding the Garis Development, Mr. Grabowski replied that Mr. Garis agreed to contribute money for drilling of one major well, instead of 110 individual wells originally proposed. Pumping of this well will be under the jurisdiction of the DRBC and Mr. Garis must comply with water saving restrictions in his new home construction. In answer to Roy Godshall's question regarding drilling on his property for a municipal well, Mr. Grabowski replied that if a well is dug, it will be adjoining Roach Brothers' property. Mr. Wynn advised that the Roach Brothers' Subdivision is in the sketch plan phase only.
2. Frank Siftar, Rickert Road - In answer to several of Mr. Siftar's questions, the Board advised that the Supervisors appoint members of the HTWSA for a 5 year term (all terms are staggered). He also questioned time of approval of Dougherty Subdivision (August meeting) and status of the 1986 Budget, which the Supervisors are currently working on and which should be adopted the last meeting of December.
3. Nick Donis - complained again of noise from Adventure Park race track. Mr. Wynn advised that they have turned down the muffler and intend to install a berm. Mr. Donis was also advised that Hadden Smith has represented that he will pave the first 10' of his driveway, and Mr. Moser has offered to sod the right-of-way across the front of his property. Mr. Donis was also advised again that the sewer line is under the jurisdiction of the Hatfield Sewer Authority.
4. Mary Phillips, Middle Road - Mrs. Ammon has boarded up the vacant building on her property. The Supervisors made an inspection of the site during their road inspection on Saturday, Oct. 12th, and have requested copies of Dept. of Agriculture reports on the property. Julia Swartz, a neighbor, stated that Mrs. Ammon is still receiving more dogs from the SPCA. The Board instructed Mr. Wynn to contact the SPCA again to request another inspection.

J. CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Request from Officer Bryan Brady to receive reimbursement for attendance at County meeting of Crime Prevention Officer's Association on October 10th. Motion was made by Mr. Grunmeier to reimburse Officer Brady \$11.50 for PA Crime Prevention Officer's meeting, seconded by Mrs. Lockard and carried unanimously.



2. PEMA - Gov. Dick Thornburgh has appointed Mrs. Betty Kelly official PEMA Coordinator for this area.
3. H.A. Thomson has advised that the Township's Umbrella Policy expired on 11/16/85 and will not be renewed. H.A. Thomson will obtain an umbrella policy as soon as one becomes available.
4. Dublin Fire Company - invitation to Supervisors to attend a Hazardous Materials Seminar on Thursday, October 17th at their station, 7:00 to 10:00 P.M. Mrs. Betty Kelly, PEMA Coordinator, advised she plans to attend this presentation.
5. September Fire Company Reports received from: Dublin; Souderton; Silverdale; Perkasio; and Line Lexington Fire Companies. These reports are on file at the Township Office.
6. Bucks County Association for Retarded Citizens is seeking support from the Township for pre-school intervention services, and wishes to be notified as to date of C.D. hearing.
7. U.S. Dept. of Agriculture - Election to be held December 2nd. Township may nominate a delegate by petition, to be received no later than 10/28/85.
8. Seminar to be held at Valley Forge Hilton, King of Prussia, Oct. 28th & 29th - "Water Wars" - Registration fee \$45/person before 10/18; \$55 after 10/18.

J. SUPERVISOR'S COMMENTS:

1. Mr. Pischl reported that the Supervisors held their Semi-annual Road Inspection on Saturday, Oct. 12th at 9:00 a.m.
2. October 23rd - Tentative date for budget work session.
3. Joint work session with HTWSA members - tentative date November 6th at 7:30 p.m.
4. Municipal Building - Supervisors are reviewing background and qualifications at this time and plan to award bid at next Supervisors' meeting.
5. Mr. Grunmeier stated his desire to meet with the PEMA Coordinator, Police Chief, and other Supervisors regarding a PEMA Emergency Plan for the area. This will be discussed at the next Supervisors' meeting.
6. John Brennan requested a follow-up meeting between the Supervisors and Planning Commission members. The Board will attempt to schedule same in January.

There being no further business, a motion of adjournment was made by Mr. Grunmeier, seconded by Mrs. Lockard. Adjournment at 8:49 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Gloria G. Neiman