

Hilltown Township Supervisors' Meeting

1-28-80

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Vi Pischl. The treasurer's report was read by Mrs. Gutekunst and approved by Ed Wentz and seconded by Mary Lockard. The bills as presented for payment in the amount of \$26,909.64 were approved by Ed Wentz, and seconded by Mary Lockard.

The minutes of the previous meeting were reviewed with the following comments: Mr. Pischl asked Mrs. Gutekunst whether meeting scheduled for February 7, 1980 had been advertised and she told the supervisors it would be in the News-Herald on January 30 and February 6th and in the Daily Intelligencer February 1st and February 6th. No other comments on the minutes so they were un-animously approved as written.

Question was raised on the Moylan Tract owned by Lapp and Alderfer. Mrs. Gutekunst has called Union National Bank about the escrow amount indicated in the file in the amount of \$20,000. The answer was very hazy- naturally the cash is not there as the time of the letter of credit has expired but it would be made available if the conditions were such that the development could be completed. Mr. Wilson will write a letter about this as there is a concern by the residents of the development about not having their roads plowed in times of snow.

Mr. Nevells, surveyor, and Glen Garis, builder, for the addition to the Pennridge Full Gospel Tabernacle alongwith several members of the church whose spokesman was Lloyd Ambler were at the meeting to asked for leniency in the parking spaces needed and also the road widening being asked for. After much discussion, it was decided that at this time they would only have to provide the 126 parking spaces as indicated on their drawings- according to our ordinance there should be 156- but an agreement will be drawn up by Mrs. Wilson stating that in one year from date of occupancy, a review of the situation will be made and a determination made if the additional parking spaces are needed at this time- however, there is 3 year time limit when this would have to be done. Also in this agreement the same restrictions would apply to the road widening. The members representing the church were in agreement with this suggestion.

Mr. Leister reported on several other projects which are pending at this time. Mr. Westlake has been out to inspect the site where there is a drainage problem-Reliance Road- which will be funded through community development funds. \$47,600.00 has been approved for the year, 1980. Mr. Leister said the paper work will be started on that. The road sign upgrading project estimates, tabulations and road maps were submitted by Mr. Szautner of Cowan & Associates. The estimated cost is \$28,125.30 which will be funded by 75% federal and 25% local. The tabulations and maps were given to Tom Buzby and Mr. Szautner forwarded copies of the above to Mr. John Hendricks, Safety Design Liason Engineer, Penn Dot. Mr. Leister is working on the specs and paper work needed to go out on bids on the concrete ramps for the Handicapped and new curbing and sidewalks for the Municipal Building. Bid opening date will be March 10, 1980. Mr. Leister reported he had inquired whether there is any funding available for such a project but the decision was negative. Mr. Pischl signed the application for Highway Occupancy needed that will be sent to PennDot along with five copies of the plans. Mr. Leister contacted the contractor about the drainage work to still be done at the "Village" and got an estimated cost of \$4800.00 which was agreeable to Mr. Lamelza.

Mr. Leister brought along to the meeting a report submitted to them by Dennis Pennington, their geologist. This report contained the information on the fall testing of the wells by DER. The report was very inconclusive and two wells were not even tested. Mr. Leister was instructed to so notify DER about our feelings on the report. The next testing will be done in April, 1980

Mr. Richard Krause asked whether any decision had been made on the spray irrigation system proposed for Brookfield Village. Mr. Wilson reported that a letter had been written to Mr. Glen Stinson of DER asking that a detailed report be given to the

Township. He was advised that He probably would like to attend the public meeting which will be held on February 7th on updating our Sewage Facilities Act.

Mr. John Snyder of the Line Lexington Fire Co. asked Mr. Leister about the bridge on Fairhill School Road. It has been posted 10 ton limit and he wondered about taking their tanks over that bridge in case of a fire. Mr. Leister felt that would be taking a chance because of the poor condition of the bridge. Mr. Snyder also questioned whether we had heard anything more on the rebuilding of the bridge on Church Road now that the dam has been completed. It was recalled that about two years ago this bridge building was part of the dam project.

Mary Lockard nominated Mr. John Brennan of South Perkaspie Road, Hilltown Township, to the Planning Commission to replace Steve Hulshizer who resigned at the end of 1979. Mr. Werner seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Mrs. Gutekunst read a letter from the Bucks County Association of Township advising that this year they would not be sending resolutions out to the member municipalities but if any of the municipalities had any resolutions they would like to present at the County Convention, they should be submitted in writing by February 16, 1980. Mrs. Gutekunst also reminded the supervisors that all registrations for the county convention should be in by February 16, 1980.

A notice was also received about the state convention which will be held in Philadelphia this year April 27 through April 30. These reservations should be in by April 12th.

Resolution 80-4 was signed by the Chairman of the supervisors accepting Tiffany Drive, and Resolution 80-5 accepting the widenings on Broad and Middle Roads for dedication to the township.

Mrs. Gutekunst read a letter from Dr. Godshall which he wrote in response to the letter from Penn Dot. Mrs. Gutekunst shall just acknowledge receipt of same.

Perkaspie Fire Co. report for the year, 1979 was read by Mrs. Gutekunst and Mr. Snyder read the report for the year, 1979 of Line Lexington Fire Co.

The Police Report for December, 1979 was approved and accepted by the supervisors. The report of the Zoning Officer for December, 1979 was read by Mrs. Gutekunst- \$1003.50 collected in fees.

A letter received from Weber and Abarbanel asking for the possibility of a tie in to public sewage system in the near future for tax parcel 15-32-4 was read. Mrs. Gutekunst was told to answer that there is no public sewer proposed at this time or in the foreseeable future.

The subdivision plans for Gerald Dunalp and D. Ellsworth Henderson were signed by the supervisors.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Dorothy Gutekunst

P. S. The minutes of the Planning Commission were reviewed and closing files without any letter to the applicant was discussed. Mr. Leister suggested that instead of merely closing a file, either approval or disapproval by the Planning should be suggested to the supervisors and they in turn would make the final decision and then a letter sent to applicant. Perhaps further discussion will be needed with the Planning Commission.