

Hilltown Township Supervisors' Meeting

July 30, 1979

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Vincent Pischl. The treasurer's report was read by Mrs. Gutekunst and approved by Feryl Spaninger and seconded by Ed Wentz. The bills as presented were approved for payment in the amount of \$10,257.66 by Feryl Spaninger and seconded by Ed Wentz.

The minutes of the previous meeting were reviewed and approved as written.

Mr. Westlake, our engineer, then took the floor and presented the following issues: 1. In response to the complaint by two property owners on Reliance Road in respect to problems of their cellar drain outlet conditions, both Mr. Hoot and Mr. Leister had visited the site and Mr. Leister wrote a letter addressed to the supervisors with recommendations for correction of same. He felt it was strange that they had not complained before since it has been two years since the completion of Reliance Road. Mr. Westlake was asked to send copies of portions of this same letter to the property owners. 2. Mr. Westlake presented copies of his traffic study on Green Street which was done because residents of that area had requested a lower speed limit. His recommendation as a result of the study was 45 miles per hour. Mr. Wilson will contact Penn-Dot if they need any documentation from us and then prepare an amendment to our traffic ordinance. Formal action will be taken at the next meeting, August 13th. 3. Mr. Westlake will be sending the proper forms to be completed in order for the township to apply for the 80% Federal Funding available to local municipalities for the inspection and inventory of bridges over twenty feet in length. 4. In connection with the Pleasant Spring Estates subdivision, a minor subdivision has been filed in order to separate the lands being retained by Blodgett and Mr. Westlake reported this minor subdivision has been approved and the linens can be signed if brought in by Mr. Sidler, the engineer. 5. Noblewood South, the subdivision submitted by James Hackett for Roscoe Moyer on Diamond St. has been given tentative approval and Mr. Westlake advised escrow, etc. should be prepared. He will get in touch with Mr. Wilson on this. 6. Rutherford Contractors who are completing the work in the "Village" also will finally do the curbing and widening on the Carter lot now owned by Dave Nemeck. Mr. McMillan of Richard Cowan's prepared a punch list of work remaining to be done at the Village. 7. We are still waiting for the reports on the well testings which are supposedly in the mail. 8. Mr. Westlake reported that the private road which was approved for the Boland subdivision will be 20' instead of 18'.

Mr. Guy Wheeler asked the supervisors about a piece of ground located on 309 which is zoned partially RR and partially Commercial, which he is interested in buying. At the present time it is being used as a non-conforming use and he would like to continue the same usage. However, he would also like to construct a building to house equipment so he was advised to submit a site development plan for approval to the Planning Commission.

Mr. Pete Cicero asked the supervisors for a ruling on the zoning a piece of property he wishes to purchase on Route 309. He was advised it is zoned Industrial.

A brief discussion was held on the proposed amendment to the zoning ordinance to allow mid-rise apartments in the CR District. Mr. Wilson felt the lot size should be more than two acres as proposed in the change- possibly five acres. Also, some provision should be made for the builders of such buildings to be made financially responsible to supply funds for proper fire fighting equipment. A memo had been received from Bucks County Planning Commission approving the amendment.

Mr. McMillan of Cowan's investigated the complaint of Pastor Allebach as well as Jim Leister. Further study will be given to this matter.

A petition was presented signed by approximately seventy neighbors of Herbert Harris opposing the recreational complex submitted for approval on the Harris property. A letter will follow listing their objections to the site. Mrs. Gutekunst was advised to send a copy of the letter and the list of names to Mr. Harris.

Representatives of Brookfield Village, Mr. Lamelza, Mr. Lee, engineer, and Mr. Angstadt, attorney, presented slides and discussion on the merits of having lagoons and spray irrigation sewage facilities. Mr. Lamelza has been given approval by Bedminster Township to build 398 Townhouses in Bedminster below Dublin along 313 and also for the placing of the lagoons in Bedminster Township. The water would then be piped under the road to a 70 acre parcel owned by Mr. Lamelza in Hilltown Township to be sprayed over this ground which would be used as a tree nursery. Mr. Stinsen of DER was also present and DER has O.K.'d the system with a potential of a $\frac{1}{2}$ " spray per week which is suitable for the type of soils on this property. Many Questions were raised- one of the most important being- who would be in charge of operating the system as part of it is in Bedminster Township and part in Hilltown Township. Possibility of Bucks County Water and Sewer Authority doing this was discussed. New modules were given to our engineer as we would have to amend our Act 537 in order to have this type of sewage system in the township. The offer was made to bus any interested residents of the township and/or the supervisors to a site where a spray irrigation system is already in operation.

The supervisors adopted a resolution amending our Act 537 to include a private sewer line to the Melvin Clemens Lot TM 15-10-12.

Mrs. Gutekunst read a copy of a letter to Mr. Chester Mill from the Hilltown Township Sewer Authority advising him that his request for reimbursement of \$611.00 for installation of a drain on his property was denied.

It also was noted that a proposed resolution for the amending of the /Articles of the Hilltown Township Sewer Authority has been prepared and should be voted upon at the August 13th meeting of the supervisors.

Mrs. Gutekunst raised the question on what is being done on the enforcement of Pae case. Mr. Wilson will follow this matter.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Dorothy Gutekunst