

Hilltown Township Supervisors' Meeting

December 11, 1978

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Feryl Spaninger. The treasurer's report was read by Mrs. Gutekunst and approved by Vince Pischl and seconded by Ed Wentz. The bills as presented were approved for payment by Ed Wentz and seconded by Vince Pischl.

The minutes of the previous meeting were reviewed. At our last meeting the projects were approved for submission to the County for the use of our allotted Community Development Funds in the amount of \$119,600.00. Mrs. Gutekunst contacted Mr. Steven Stein before submitting same and he advised not to submit the project for the rest rooms at the Hilltown Township Civic Assoc. field as they would not approved same. So after contacting all the supervisors the following projects were submitted- priority #1, the bridge on Central Avenue- \$72,000.00; priority #2, the drainage problem on Reliance Road by Centennial Ridge- \$20,000.00; priority #3, sidewalks in Blooming Glen- balance of funds. A motion was made to approve these changes in submission.

At the meeting last time bids were received for the construction of storm drainage facilities along Broad Street, a total length of 300 feet. The lowest bidder was Interstate Pipeline Co. of Hatfield, Pa. This bid was accepted subject to the review of the engineer. On December 5th, a letter was received by our engineer from Interstate clarifying their bid. They had misunderstood certain wording in the job description and the figure they presented for the job without pipe, \$2200.00 was in error and should have been \$4545.00. Even with this change, they were still the low bidders. Motion made on the recommendation of our engineer to accept this bid.

Mr. Pischl requested a word change in the minutes from meeting to work session, this was done and the minutes were approved.

Mr. Pat Collins of Derco Associates, the developers for the Robert Green Property now known as Woodlawn Meadows again asked for approval of his subdivision plans. At the last meeting of the planning commission, they did not approve as they were waiting for a few items on the engineer's letter of 10-31-78 to be complied with. Mr. Leister said there were still 2 items to be complied with- item #3 pertaining to the sidewalks and item #5 pertaining to the drainage map and the location of the inlets. He told Mr. Collins the engineer had been trying to get in touch with Mr. Dixon to expedite these matters. Hopefully, all can be resolved by the planning commission meeting on Dec. 18th and the supervisors meeting on Dec. 19th.

Again, five or six residents of "The Village" were at the meeting with their concern about the plowing of Tiffany Drive for the winter months ahead. Mr. Wilson said he had spoken to the attorney for Mr. Lamelza and informed him that the responsibility for this snow plowing is Mr. Lamelza's. Until such time as the road is dedicated to the township, we cannot assume this task- as this is private property. They were concerned if there was enough money in escrow to take care of putting the final wearing course on the road and if any of the escrow money could be used to fill in the retentions basins. They were assured there was enough money escrowed to do the road but the filling in of the retention basins was not an escrowed item.

Question was asked about the subdivision proposed by J. Richard Fretz for his ground on Keystone Drive and Hilltown Pike. Reply was that at present he has a sketch plan in for 69 single homes on that tract. Mr. Fretz came in later to inquire about the plans that had been submitted and he was told two copies had been sent down to George Spotts by Mrs. Gutekunst.

Mr. Wilson reported he had been in touch with George Spotts about writing up the changes to the Hilltown Township Zoning Ordinance which had been approved both by the Hilltown Township Planning Commission and the Supervisors.

Mr. Pischl asked about the status of rewriting the subdivision ordinance of Hilltown Township and Mrs. Gutekunst reported



George Spotts is aware of the project but has not had time to get started on this as yet. He is also working on updating our Act 537.

John Snyder of the Line Lexington Fire Co. was at the meeting to pursue his desire for a fire marshal in the township. He had prepared a letter with numerous questions and sent it to the Bucks County Fire Marshal. He read both the letter he wrote and the reply received from the County Marshal. No action taken at this time but quite a bit of discussion was held. Mr. Snyder also said he had heard rumors that Mr. Fretz had offered to give a piece of ground to the Line Lexington Fire Co. for the building of a fire station. He was told that Mr. Fretz had mentioned this at the last meeting.

Mrs. Gutekunst reported that she has received notices from most of the suppliers that their prices will be increasing in 1979- that is stone, oil, ready-mix concrete, etc.

The report of Mr. Hoot, our building inspector and zoning officer was read reporting \$840.50 received in fees.

Mrs. Gutekunst also reported that the subdivision fee schedule is not adequate to cover the costs involved as even the one and two lot subdivisions are running over. A new fee schedule will be written and also a new form to be used when people apply for subdivision reviews and site development reviews.

Mrs. Gutekunst read a letter from Penridge Meals on Wheels asking for a monetary donation as they serve residents in our township and also have volunteers from our township. Mrs. Gutekunst is to check with Mrs. Schoeller as to the legality of giving money from Federal Revenue Sharing.

A letter received from Victor Jaczun asking for \$500.00 to help Bedminster Township in their legal fight to keep the dumping of sludge out of their township. This was turned down.

Mrs. Gutekunst is to contact Mr. Stein on the progress or favorable or unfavorable reception to our submissions for use of our Community Development Funds.

Meeting adjourned.

*Dorothy Gutekunst*

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Secretary-Treasurer