

Hilltown Township Supervisors' Meeting

May 22, 1978

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Feryl Spanninger. 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 Vince Pischl and seconded by Ed. Wentz.

The minutes of the previous meeting were reviewed with the following comments: It had been noted at the previous meeting that the speed control signs on Broad St. had been taken down by the developers of the "Village". Mrs. Gutekunst called the office and left a message with the secretary to have these signs replaced or return call to her if there was a problem. Mrs. Gutekunst also wrote to PennDot again about better warning signs on Hilltown Pike on the approach to the curve where Broad St. intersects the Pike. No answer as yet. Minutes approved.

Mr. and Mrs. Morgan Wolfram asked the supervisors if they could withdraw the subdivision plan they had submitted to divide their property into four then-acre lots and resubmit another plan just dividing the parcel into two. They have had second thoughts about the cost and feasibility of building a road so this is the reason for change of plans. They were advised to have other plans made by their engineer and resubmit same to the Planning Commission.

Mr. and Mrs. Finkelstein were in to the meeting in reference to the bridge construction work on bridge #241. They had received a letter from the Operations Division of the County of Bucks. The supervisors had also received a copy of the letter and Mrs. Gutekunst was asked to contact the county and try to have a representative at our next meeting to explain the bridge construction program.

Mr. Charles McMullen and Mr. Mullen, his attorney, were in to the meeting to discuss the development of Phase 5 of Green Meadows. This phase was approved originally as apartments and at that time the zoning was 12 per acre. Since that time we have new zoning and it is now 6 per acre. After a lengthy discussion, it was decided to have a work session to see what could be worked out satisfactorily to every one concerned.

Jim Leister presented the completed plans for the storm drainage on Schoolhouse Road. After discussion, it was decided that first a meeting would have to be held with the owner of J. & B. Properties. Mr. Leister was advised to arrange for this meeting and then contact Mrs. Gutekunst so you could advise the supervisors.

Mr. Leister had written a letter about the completion of all improvements for the Joel Benner Summit Ridge Apartments, Section. Based on his inspection, he felt all is satisfactory, but he felt perhaps Mr. Frankenfield would like to inspect the area also and then if o.k., Jim could file the completion report to Mr. Benner and his escrow bond holder.

Mr. Frankenfield questioned the depth of the retention ponds on the "Village" developemnt. Mr. Leister advised that according to the original plans, these will be removed as soon as all building is completed. The wisdom of this was questioned because of the runoff of excessive water. Jim felt if possible they should remain, however, they are on lots 14 and 25 which, if sold, will be owned by individual owners.

Questions were raised on the improvements along Robert Carter's property and Walter Gross's. We still hold escrow on both of these subdivisions. Both of these men have sold off these lots to new owners but legally they are still responsible for the improvements. Mr. Leister will follow up on this.

Mr. Wilson had written a letter to Chief Boose about the type of tickets to be used for traffic violations. Chief Boose said he already had the matter attended to and is having the tickets printed.

Mr. Russell Dimmig and Mr. Donald Weiss were at the meeting to inquire about the subdivision submitted by Mr. Weiss

to settle his father's estate. One lot does not meet lot size minimum and lane would be needed to reach back lot. They will go to the Planning Commission meeting on Tuesday also with their problem.

A letter was received from the Pennridge Chamber of Commerce that July 2nd has been designated as Community Day for the Pennridge Area. The supervisors are asked to attend if possible and again present some awards.

Mrs. Gutekunst read a letter received from Bensalem Township with an attached resolution which they adopted on May 1st. This resolution reads that the Bensalem Board of Supervisors is opposed to the adoption of any Bucks County Home Rule Charter which provides for representation in the Legislative Branch by delegates at large. They support the concept of representation in the Legislative only by Districts whose boundaries are defined and protected by the Charter.

The police report for the month of April was read and accepted by the supervisors.

Mr. John Snyder and Mr. Darde of the Line Lexington Fire Co. again were in to the meeting about the township giving money toward the purchase of a new fire truck. Decision deferred until we have all the costs of our road improvements in and the cost of the storm sewers.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

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