

Hilltown Township Supervisors' Meeting

July 25, 1977

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Feryl Spaninger. After introducing all members of the official family of the township, the treasurer's report was read by Mrs. Gutekunst, and approved by Vincent Pischl and seconded by Edward Wentz. The bills as presented were approved for payment by Vincent Pischl and seconded by Ed Wentz.

The minutes of the previous meeting were reviewed with the following comments: 1. Mr. Wilson reported that space could be rented to the tax collector in the municipal building and the tax collector should carry liability insurance which would cover the township. 2. Mr. Wilson also reported it would be legal to exempt senior citizens over 65 who have income less than \$3200.00 per year from paying the per capita tax of the township. 3. Mr. Wentz questioned Mr. Heidrich what follow-up would be made if temporary trailers are allowed without concrete slabs to see that they are removed when the time limit is up. Mr. Heidrich reported this would be followed up when permit is issued for building permit. 4. Mrs. Gutekunst reported that she had received the forms to submit for a traffic light at the intersection of Route 113 and Diamond Street. Minutes were approved by Mr. Pischl and seconded by Ed. Wentz.

The police contract for 1977 was signed. New salary schedule being \$13,000.00 per year for patrolman with three years of service and a work week of 42 hours. Work will be started at a very near future date on the 1978 contract.

The sewer authority presented the results of the bidding for the sewer contract. Lisbon Co. being low bidder with the amount of \$1,875,533.00. It will take about 60 days for all the papers to be review by the FHA and the Federal Government. Mr. Beals, secretary of the sewer authority said based on present figures, the hook-up fee will probably be \$1000.00 per unit and an annual cost of about \$200.00 for the service.

Mrs. Gutekunst gave each supervisor a copy of the 1976 financial position at the end of a six months period for a comparison with the 1977 similar report presented at the last meeting.

The supervisors signed the petition for curative amendment presented by J. Richard Fretz and Elizabeth Fretz to establish a new "RT-Residential" District for the construction of twin homes upon their property in Hilltown Township rejecting the petition. The motion to deny was unanimous.

The minutes of the Planning Commission meeting held on July 19, 1977 were reviewed. Mr. Opdyke of Lexington Associates was in to the meeting. It was decided that an escrow would have to be established for the construction of a detention basin. Mrs. Gutekunst to so inform Mr. Leister. Mr. Bachman, representing J. Richard Fretz AND Arthur Fretz on their 3 lot subdivision submission, was at the meeting and the supervisors o. k'd the plan as presented. On the site development plan submitted by Warranted' Materials, question was raised by Mr. Leister about tying in with public water or whether a well would be satisfactory. Supervisors felt Telford Boro should be contacted as this area is watered and sewerd by them.

The supervisors had asked Mr. Leister to prepare a cost estimate on frontage along J. & B. properties and the land of Lester Schaffer. After reviewing his estimates, Mrs. Gutekunst was asked to contact Jim and see about having a second inlet at the end of the J. & B. Property such as was designed for Accu-Sort and eliminating the need for the work on the Lester Schaffer property. Perhaps the contractor who is doing the work for Accu-Sort could also do the work for J. & B.

Mrs. Gutekunst was asked to call George Spotts of the Bucks County Planning Commission as to when we can expect our new zoning ordinance books and maps and also when we can expect his report on his review of the Brookfield Village Planning Module.

Mr. Heidrich reported that a cease and desist letter had been hand delivered to Mr. John Brooker of 4507 Bethlehem Road on his violation of ordinance 75-2 by having more than 3 dogs on his premises.

Mrs. Gutekunst reported that our request for permission to install and operate flashing beacons at the intersection of Route 113 and Old Bethlehem Road were denied.

Mrs. Gutekunst was told not to pay the bill for Mr. Flaherty until further study could be made.

The linens of the subdivision plan for Richard Sherker were signed by the supervisors and said linens were picked up by Roy Landis for recording.

Mr. Wilson received a report from the law firm representing the Volunteer Medical Corps of Lansdale who had lodge a complaint against the Hilltown Township Police Dept. They will be at the next regularly scheduled supervisors' meeting.

The Planning Commission of Hilltown had prepared a resolution on procedures for the submission of subdivision and site development plans. However, it was felt by all concerned that a meeting should be held prior to the next planning commission meeting, August 16th. Mrs. Gutekunst will try to arrange a meeting at 7:15 P.M. that night for the planning commission members, Mr. Wentz, Mr. Heidrich, Mrs. Gutekunst, and Mr. Leister.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

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