

Hilltown Township Supervisors' Meeting

7-22-74 Minutes

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Paul Frankenfield. The treasurer's report was read and approved by Dale Hartshorne and seconded by Feryl Spanninger. The minutes of the previous meeting were approved by Dale Hartshorne and seconded by Feryl Spanninger. The bills as presented were approved for payment by Feryl Spanninger and seconded by Dale Hartshorne.

As Mr. James Leister, our engineer, was present at the meeting, we proceeded to signing the sub-division plans before reading the correspondence. The plans of Michael Guttman, Natalie Coltman and Paul Tyson were signed by the supervisors.

The resolution to accept a deed of dedication from the Hamilton West Corporation for streets described in said resolution were signed by the supervisors. Mr. Wilson took two of the signed copies to file in Doylestown.

An escrow agreement in the amount of \$15000.00 between Robert and Elizabeth Hewitt and Hilltown Township was signed by the secretary.

The secretary read the June, 1974 Police Report for Hilltown Township submitted by Chief Boose. Comment was made on the increase of burglaries.

A letter from Mr. Beechwood, Regional Sanitary Engineer, to Mr. William Plutte, Associate Director of the Montgomery Planning Commission and Mr. Plutte's reply to all chairman of governing bodies in Sub-Region 1, Upper Neshaminy Basin were mentioned, noting that an extension of time has been granted until August 15, 1974 for such bodies to submit agreements, etc.

Mrs. Gutekunst reported that the bond for Feryl Spanninger as Secretary-Treasurer has been cancelled and a new bond received on Dorothy Gutekunst as secretary-treasurer.

A memo from the County Agricultural Agent was read: re: Japanese Beetle attack on Bucks County.

Mrs. Gutekunst reported receiving notice that the light at 313 and 113 is now installed and operating in accordance with the issued permit and diagram.

646 questionnaires have been returned so far.

A memo received from the director of the Bucks County Division of Natural Resources, John T. Carson, Jr. was read. A meeting will be held in Room 619, Division of Natural Resources, 5th floor, Courthouse at 10:00 A. M. Monday, July 29, 1974 on Flood insurance.

An invitation was received to attend a statewide symposium on "Managing Our Lakes" at the Sheraton Motor Lodge, Edinboro, Pa. August 19th and 20th.

A letter was received from Edward F. Kane, attorney, re: Paul and Rose Melniczek vs Hilltown Township and Hilltown Township Supervisors. Mrs. Gutekunst had sent a copy of this letter to Mr. Wilson on July 19th and a copy to Mr. Mahlon Souder, our insurance carrier. Mr. Wilson reported he had written to Mr. Kane reporting both roads involved in the accident are state roads.

In reply to a letter of June 28th from our engineers to Mr. Joel Benner re: washouts, flooding, etc at his development, Mr. Benner sent a letter to the supervisors dated July 8th, reporting all pipes are now in place collecting the water before it can flood the streets.

A letter from Francis Grabowski to the supervisors re: Vernon and Edith Horn vs The Township of Hilltown was commented upon noting that a petition was filed with the Pennsylvania Supreme Court on July 5th by the Philadelphia attorneys for Vernon Horn. Mr. Grabowski has asked the Supreme Court to not allow an appeal from the decision of the Commonwealth Court.

Mr. Andrew Lawler, Mr. Brooke Moyer, and Mr. Walter Hughes of Forest Road and Old Bethlehem Road were present at the meeting registering complaints about the quarry truck traffic on their respective roads.

They were all concerned about the speed of the trucks, size of the trucks because of the narrowness of the roads, especially when school would open and their children have to walk along these roads in order to get to their respective bus stops. Mr. Hartshorne advised them that we would write to H. & K. Materials requesting extra precaution be taken when driving on these narrow roads when school opens. Also, a request will be made to Penn Dot to lower speed limits on these roads.

Mr. Steven Henning of Richard S. Cowan & Associates was present at the meeting in place of Mr. Kee, who had a previous commitment to discuss the "Estimated Sewage Flows, Hilltown Township to Hatfield Township. The supervisors were divided in their opinions as to how this matter should be handled. Mr. Paul Frankenfield felt we should let Hatfield handle the billing, etc. of our residents using their sewage facilities as per our arrangement with Telford Borough. Mr. Spaninger and Mr. Hartshorne felt we should handle our own as we would probably get all the complaints anyway. Nothing was actually resolved except Mr. Henning was asked to contact Hatfield to find out what our share of the cost of pipe lines, etc. would be based on the estimated flow.

Mr. Harold Dennison and Mr. Harold Yoder of Reliance Road registered complaints about the road conditions and damages to their properties due to the extensive construction and laying of sewer lines, etc. He was told that plans are in the making to correct the road conditions but as far as damage to his property by the builders, this would have to be settled between them and the builders. Discussion still going on in a general nature when the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Dorothy Gutekunst

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Secretary-Treasurer

Attendance:
Paul Frankenfield
Dale Hartshorne
Feryl Spaninger
Arthur Heidrich
Blair Boose
Dorothy Gutekunst