

**HILLTOWN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING  
Monday, July 23, 2012**

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Hilltown Township Board of Supervisors was called to order by Chairperson Barbara A. Salvadore at 7:00PM and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Also present: John B. McIlhinney, Vice-Chairman  
James C. Groff, Supervisor  
Richard C. Schnaedter, Township Manager  
Christopher E. Engelhart, Chief of Police  
Francis X. Grabowski, Township Solicitor  
C. Robert Wynn, Township Engineer  
Lynda S. Seimes, Township Secretary

A. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1) The Board met in Executive Session following the July 9<sup>th</sup> meeting to discuss personnel and real estate issues.

2) The August 13, 2012 Supervisor's worksession meeting has been cancelled. The next meeting of the Board of Supervisors will be Monday, August 27, 2012 at 7PM.

3) An advertised Public Hearing will be held at 7:30PM this evening to consider the adoption of an Ordinance repealing Ordinance #2008-04, which established the Parks, Recreation and Open Space Citizens Advisory Committee in 2008. It was noted that a Resolution establishing the new Park and Recreation Board will be considered following the adoption of the Ordinance repealing the PROS Committee.

B. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY: None.

C. CONSENT AGENDA:

- Minutes of the July 9, 2012 Supervisor's Meeting.
- Bills List dated July 24, 2012.

Motion was made by Supervisor McIlhinney, seconded by Supervisor Groff, and carried unanimously to approve and accept the Consent Agenda items as noted above. There was no public comment.

D. LEGAL – Mr. Francis X. Grabowski, Township Solicitor –

1) Giant Convenience Store – Land Development Agreement, Financial Security Agreement, Stormwater Maintenance and Monitoring Agreement – Motion was made by Supervisor McIlhinney, seconded by Supervisor Groff, and carried unanimously to approve the

District, and its application for stormwater exemption to the Township. Action on the waiver of land development was tabled pending receipt of the current as-built site plan

F. ENGINEERING – Mr. C. Robert Wynn, Township Engineer –

1) Traynor Subdivision – Extension Request – Motion was made by Supervisor Groff, seconded by Supervisor McIlhinney, and carried unanimously to grant a 12 month extension to the Traynor Subdivision for completion of improvements. There was no public comment.

2) Hilltown Ridge Subdivision – Basin #3 Fence – Correspondence dated July 10, 2012 has been received from the applicant requesting a waiver in regard to installation of fencing around the perimeter of Basin #3 in the Hilltown Ridge Subdivision. The correspondence notes that the location of Basin #3 is within open space owned by the Township, away from any homes, and that the grading and location in the open space would make the fence more of an obstacle to maintenance rather than providing a safety benefit. A fence is proposed and will be installed around Basins #1 and #2, which are located adjacent to developed lots.

Motion was made by Supervisor Groff, seconded by Supervisor McIlhinney, and carried unanimously to approve the request by the developer of the Hilltown Ridge Subdivision to waive the requirement for fencing around the perimeter of Basin #3 within the open space owned by the Township. There was no public comment.

3) Zoning Ordinance Amendment – Fair Housing Act – Correspondence dated July 13, 2012 has been received from the Bucks County Planning Commission, which includes an assessment of the Township Zoning Ordinance and identifies potential areas of conflict with the Federal Fair Housing Act Amendment of 1988.

The Board unanimously agreed to authorize Mr. Wynn to prepare an Ordinance amendment to address the Bucks County Planning Commission's recommendations concerning the Fair Housing Act, for review by Solicitor Grabowski, and then for consideration by the Board of Supervisors.

4) The Preserves Subdivision – Street Name – The street name included on the previously approved Preserves Subdivision plan "Lexington Avenue" now conflicts with another street in the same postal region (Perkasie). Toll Brothers, who is in the process of purchasing this development has suggested the use of either "Highhush Lane" or "Nettles Lane." Both Mr. Wynn and Chief Engelhart recommended "Nettles Lane" and the Board was agreeable with that suggestion.

G. PUBLIC COMMENT:

Option #2 – Standing Seam Metal:	\$238,000-\$306,000
Option #3 – Synthetic Slate:	\$238,000-\$425,000

Supervisor McIlhinney invited his fellow Supervisors to view the synthetic slate roof he has on his home, and Mr. Horan will provide the Board with shingle samples for consideration in the coming weeks as well.


J. SUPERVISOR'S COMMENTS: None.

K. PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

L. PRESS CONFERENCE: A conference was held to answer questions of those reporters present.

M. ADJOURNMENT: Upon motion by Supervisor McIlhinney, seconded by Supervisor Groff, and carried unanimously, the July 23, 2012 Hilltown Township Board of Supervisors meeting was adjourned at 8:07PM.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Lynda Seimes  
Township Secretary

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