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**HILLTOWN TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MEETING
December 11, 1989**

The meeting of the Hilltown Township Board of Supervisors was called to order at 7:30 P.M. by Chairman Robert H. Grunmeier. Meeting was held in the Hilltown Township Municipal Building, 13 West Creamery Road, Hilltown, PA.

Members present were: Robert H. Grunmeier, Chairman
Betty J. Kelly, Vice Chairperson
William H. Bennett, Jr., Supervisor

Others present were: Kenneth Bennington, Supervisor-Elect
James H. Singley, Township Manager
Gloria G. Neiman, Township Secretary
George C. Egly, Chief of Police
Thomas Buzby, Roadmaster
Francis X. Grabowski, Township Solicitor

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion was made by Mrs. Kelly to approve the minutes of the November 27, 1989 Supervisors' meeting as written; motion seconded by Mr. Bennett and carried unanimously.

B. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE: General Fund \$12,704.54; State Highway Aid \$1,768.43. Mr. Bennett questioned Metrophone bill of \$196.10 (car phones monthly rental) and Penn Valley Chemical \$120.35 (salt for sidewalks). Motion was made by Mrs. Kelly to pay all bills when due; motion seconded by Mr. Bennett and carried unanimously.

C. TREASURER'S REPORT: Will be given later in the meeting.

D. CONFIRMED APPOINTMENTS:

1. Julie Ann Allebach - The Supervisors presented Ms. Allebach with a savings bond and Resolution #89-50, acknowledging her achievement as Miss Jr. Pennsylvania.

2. Ashby C. Watts - The Supervisors presented Sgt. Watts with a savings bond and Resolution #89-47, acknowledging the time he has devoted to the Youth Aid Panel, the DARE Program, and the Hilltown Police Department. Chairman Grunmeier, Mrs. Kelly and Mr. Bennett commended Sgt. Watts for his tireless efforts in working with the youth of the community.

3. Scott Haines, Blooming Glen Contractors, 243D Geryville Pike, Pennsburg - Mr. Haines presented photographs of a proposed building to be built at the Quarry and used for storage of parts. Mr. Haines indicated that the building would be hidden by the berm. The Board directed Mr. Haines to meet with the Township Zoning Officer to determine if proposed building meets township criteria and, if so, to submit a Land Development Plan to the Township.

3. Mr. Grabowski reported that there will be a special meeting of the Board of Supervisors on Wednesday, December 20th at 7:30 P.M. to hear the petition of M & B Investments for a possible zoning change of land on Summit Street. Applicant's attorney has indicated they will also be present at the PC meeting of December 18th.

4. Mr. Grabowski requested a personnel meeting with Supervisors and the Township Manager after tonight's meeting; the Board agreed.

J. RESIDENT'S COMMENTS:

1. Bill Godek, Broad Street - Mr. Godek asked if modification to township ordinances has been investigated by the Township Solicitor. Mr. Grabowski reported that this would depend upon the form of the particular ordinance; i.e., zoning ordinance change would require an amendment; a general ordinance (dealing with safety, health, welfare of the township) would require adhering to the Second Class Township Code requirements; one of the 1987 water ordinances specifies that modification could be made at the discretion of the Supervisors (on advise and recommendations of the PC, HTWSA, and township staff). Mr. Godek questioned testing of wells in the Habitations' development and expressed concern over method of well pumping. Mr. Grabowski explained that the Water & Sewer Authority advised that there should be additional monitoring of the wells (via a pump test) and that they were not interested in taking over a 9 lot water system; the developer was advised and has not yet responded.

2. Paul Groeber, 1506 Keystone Drive - Mr. Groeber asked status of Mr. Radcliff's investigation of property at 1501 Keystone Drive. Chairman Grunmeier read from an investigative report submitted by Mr. Radcliff, dated 12/04/89, which stated that an investigation was made on 11/29/89; that several vehicles were parked on the premises; Mr. Radcliff notified the owner Mr. Bennett; and upon his return investigation of 12/01/89, found the property to be in compliance as of 12/04/89. Mr. Radcliff further reported that he informed Mr. Ferguson that he could not operate a commercial business from that address; Mr. Ferguson agreed to cease all operations at once. Mr. Radcliff will perform periodic inspections to insure compliance. Mr. Singley further added that Mr. Radcliff has inspected the property twice since the date of his memo, and will continue to monitor the situation.

3. Jack Hetherington, Hilltown Pike, Hilltown
Mr. Hetherington invited Mr. Singley to a meeting of the Hilltown Civic Association, Tuesday evening, December 12th at Mr. Hetherington's residence regarding the field.

K. CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Fire reports received from the Silverdale Fire Company and Dublin Fire Company.

2. Hilltown (Line Lexington) Fire Company - Mr. Grabowski reported that the mortgage has now been paid in full and requested that the Supervisors sign the mortgage satisfaction documents. Motion was made by Mr. Bennett to sign the necessary mortgage documents for the Hilltown (formerly Line Lexington) Fire Company; motion seconded by Mrs. Kelly and carried unanimously.

L. SUPERVISOR'S COMMENTS:

1. Mr. Bennington commended the Road Department on their work during the recent snow storm.

2. Resolutions presented earlier in this meeting: Motion was made by Mr. Bennett to adopt Resolution #89-50 recognizing Julie Ann Allebach; and Resolution #89-47 recognizing Sgt. Ashby Watts; motion seconded by Mrs. Kelly and carried unanimously.

3. Chairman Grunmeier stated that he will be meeting with the Upper Bucks Chamber of Commerce on Tuesday, December 12th to discuss roads in Bucks County.

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

There being no further business, a motion of adjournment was made by Mr. Bennett at 8:45 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,


Gloria G. Neiman