

**HILLTOWN TOWNSHIP
SUPERVISORS' MEETING
STUDENT DAY PARTICIPATION
April 27, 1987**

In honor of Local Government Week, Chairman Pischl introduced the following three students from local elementary schools who will be "Acting Supervisors" for a portion of tonight's meeting:

Ruth Ann Lebold - Chairperson, Sacred Heart School
(8th Grade)
Susan Curry - Vice Chairperson, Margaret Seylar School
(6th Grade)
Andrew (Drew) Yanishak - Supervisor, John Grasse School
(5th Grade)

At this time, Chairman Pischl turned the meeting over to Chairperson Ruth Ann Lebold.

The meeting of the Hilltown Township Board of Supervisors was called to order by Chairperson Ruth Ann Lebold at 7:34 P.M.

Members present were: Vincent Pischl, Chairman
Robert H. Grunmeier, Vice Chairman
Betty J. Kelly, Supervisor

Others present were: Above Named "Acting Student Supervisors"

James H. Singley, Twp. Manager
Gloria Neiman, Twp. Secretary
C. Robert Wynn, Twp. Engineer
Francis X. Grabowski, Twp. Solicitor
George C. Egly, Jr., Police Chief

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion was made by Vice Chairperson Curry to approve the minutes of the March 23, 1987 Supervisors' meeting as written; motion seconded by Supervisor Yanishak and carried unanimously.

B. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE: Current billing in the amount of \$82,787.71 was approved for payment by the Board. Motion was made by Supervisor Yanishak to pay bills when due; motion seconded by Vice Chairperson Curry and carried unanimously.

C. TREASURER'S REPORT: The Treasurer's report was read by Mr. Singley; copy of same is on file at the Township office. Motion was made by Chairperson Curry to accept the report as given; seconded by Supervisor Yanishak and carried unanimously.

D. TOWNSHIP MANAGER'S REPORT:

1. Old Business:

(a) Service Agreements - Fire: Agreements received from Perkasio and Sellersville fire companies - to be signed by Supervisors after the meeting.

(b) Refinancing Fire Loans - John Snyder, President of Line Lexington Fire Co. has advised Mr. Singley of the fire company's decision to refinance their loans at a rate of 6½% for a 3 year term. Mr. Klee, Vice President of Union National Bank will forward appropriate documents for the Board's review.

(c) Demolition Fee Proposal - Proposal has been reviewed by Mr. Grabowski. Supervisors will discuss further and advise at a later date.

(d) Driveway Sign - Route 309: Mr. Singley contacted PennDOT regarding Supervisors' request that a hidden driveway sign be placed on the east side of Route 309, south of Spin-A-Round. PennDOT has advised that it is the Township's responsibility to purchase, erect, and maintain this sign. By letter of 4/2/87 from John A. Gallagher, P.E., PennDOT has given their approval for installation of this sign. Roadmaster, Tom Buzby, has ordered the sign and will see to installation of same.

(e) Street Light - Loux's Corner: Mrs. Irene Bishop has requested a street light be installed at Hilltown Pike and Upper Church Road. P P & L will investigate and recommend type of light. Cost to Township would be @ \$139.00/year.

(f) Bridge Weight Limits - Letter has been received from Bucks County Commissioners indicating that, because of limited resources, the County must first repair those bridges which were closed or are seriously approaching that stage. When next inspection is completed, Mr. Steinbach, Director of Operations and Bridges, will forward a copy of those reports. At present time, weight limits of Bridges #21, #42, and #244 will remain the same.

2. New Business:

(a) Adventure Park - Solicitor's office has sent a letter (dated 4/1/87) to Edward F. Moser, President of Adventure Park, indicating the Township's intention to file legal action if 1986 unpaid amusement taxes have not been resolved. On April 1, 1987, Clarence Myers, Zoning Officer also sent a letter to Mr. Moser requesting payment of taxes. To date, Mr. Moser has not complied with these requests. Legal documentation has been filed this date for issuance of a cease and desist order.

(b) New Britain Township has requested assistance in traffic control and parking (as well as financial support) for their Fireworks Display to be held at the Shrine of Czestochowa on Saturday, July 4th. Mr. Snyder informed the Board that due to legal constraints, the fire company does not usually assist at this function.

(c) Bucks County Commissioners have invited the Township to attend an organizational meeting of the Neshaminy Watershed Advisory Committee on 5/21/87 at 7:30 P.M. The Township is requested to appoint one representative and one alternate to attend this meeting and all subsequent meetings (approx. 18-24 months). The Board will advise at their 5/11/87 meeting.

(d) Budget Update - Mr. Singley reported that revenues are coming in slowly; real estate payments are expected in May.

(e) Request received from Sgt. Watts to attend the International Juvenile Officers' Association Training Conference to be held in Cape May, NJ from 6/7 to 6/10/87. Mr. Singley indicated that there is money budgeted to cover this expense. Motion was made by Vice-Chairperson Curry to send Sgt. Watts to the Int'l. Juvenile Officers' Assoc. Training Conference at a cost of \$485.50; motion seconded by Supervisor Yanishak and carried unanimously.

(f) Fuel Oil Bids - Low bid received through Consortium (Falls Township and Lower Bucks) was from Tefco, Inc., Bensalem, PA. Mr. Singley's recommendation is to award fuel oil bid to Farm & Home Oil Co. since there is a difference in cost of only 2/10 of 1% per gallon, and location of Farm & Home is much nearer to Township Building than Bensalem. Farm & Home will also supply diesel and heating fuel which Tefco could not supply. Motion was made by Supervisor Yanishak to award bid for supply of fuel oil and gas to Farm & Home Oil Co.; motion seconded by Vice-Chairperson Curry and carried unanimously.

(g) Road Material Bids - Mr. Singley reported that bids will be going out this week for stone, gravel, binder and wearing course.

E. POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT: Chief Egly read the report dated March 1987. This report is on file at the Township office.

7:50 P.M. - At this time, Chairperson Lebold returned the gavel to Mr. Pischl and called for a recess of the meeting. Chairman Pischl presented each of the students with "Certificates of Recognition". Photographs were taken of the students for the local newspaper.

7:55 P.M. - Regular meeting called to order by Chairman Pischl. A motion was made by Mr. Grunmeier to reaffirm all actions of the "Student Supervisors"; motion seconded by Mrs. Kelly and carried unanimously.

F. CONFIRMED APPOINTMENTS:

1. Philip Begley and David Hendricks: Mr. Begley, 518 Upper Stump Road, read from a prepared statement and indicated that he was present with neighbors "to discuss the greatly increased activity at H & K Quarry". He stated that the Quarry blasts 2 to 3 times a week (in contrast to twice a month in the past). Mr. Begley noted that on March 26th, the blast was so strong as to wake the residents. He asked for assurance that such a strong blast would not occur again and further indicated his fear that these blasts would cause serious damage to the wells.

David Hendricks, Stump Road, Chalfont, also voiced his concern and indicated that seismograph readings were taken on his property today. However, he noted that the blasts experienced in the last 2 to 3 months were far greater than those recorded this date. Mr. Hendricks had the following concerns: 1) Blasts are doing damage to his home; 2) Questioned what blasts are doing to the well water; 3) Concerned about damage to air quality; and 4) Overloading of trucks which speed down roads and could cause injury to school children.

At this time, Mr. Singley read a memo from the Township Zoning Officer, Clarence Myers, regarding his investigation of complaints received on H & K Quarries. Mr. Myers indicated that he met with Mr. Al Detweiler, Mr. Kenneth Mayall, and Mr. Scott Seitz of H & K Quarries, who showed him the seismograph used in testing and explained their blasting procedures. He also contacted Mr. Charles McNeal of the Bureau of Mines, Health & Safety who informed him that "the Federal Government has no jurisdiction in this matter -- it is left to the State". Mr. Myers then contacted Mr. Frank Sentz of DER who advised that a formal letter of request for "monitoring" from the Board of Supervisors would be necessary. Mr. Myers was present (on John Murphey's property) on 4/15/87 to monitor a blast;

he indicated that "the blast was minor and barely nudged the dials of the seismograph. Mr. Myers also met with Dover Wilmoth of Philadelphia Electric Co., who indicated that his office is given three days notice by H & K of all intended blasting so that he can be present. Further, Mr. Myers contacted Mrs. Alta of Vibratex who explained that H & K retains their services to analyze the tapes. She explained that ground vibrations are allowable to a reading of 2.0 on the seismograph. H & K stated their readings on 3/26/87 (the day complaints were received) were 0.4. Mr. Myers further stated (in his memo) that "on the day of 3/26/87, there is or was no violation by H & K."

At this time, Chairman Pischl asked for comments from the audience regarding the quarry. A resident remarked that "when they (H & K) know there is a seismograph around, they don't blast as high." Mr. Grabowski remarked that DER is supposed to monitor all blasts; however, through experience with other Townships, he has learned that DER is not there when these large blasts take place. He remarked further, "How do you get any accountability, when a quarry can hire the person who is going to take the test". Mr. Grabowski suggested to Chairman Pischl that everyone be asked to write a letter addressed to DER, bring them to the Township, and the Township forward these letters, with a letter from the Township, to State legislators.

Regarding severe dust problems, a resident suggested that more sprinklers be installed on conveyors and stone crushers. Also, a resident complained that trucks are not covered as required by the Zoning Ordinance. Residents indicated that truck traffic from the quarry begins at 5:00 A.M., and several residents complained of extent of truck traffic with heavy loads on both Upper Stump and Skunk Hollow Roads. Chairman Pischl indicated that, according to the original agreement, the quarry's start-up time was to be 6:30 A.M. and that control of dust was also addressed in that agreement. Chairman Pischl asked that Mr. Singley review the original agreement with the quarry and submit a synopsis of same for the Board's review.

Mr. Singley reaffirmed Mr. Grabowski's suggestion that all interested residents write letters addressed to the State legislator and send them to the Township Building, in care of Mr. Singley, who will forward them with a cover letter to the representatives. Further, as suggested in Mr. Myers' memo, Mr. Singley requested the Board's permission to send a letter to DER asking for monitoring.

Mr. William Gottick voiced his concern over damage to homes and water supply, and asked how weight of trucks could be measured. Mr. Grunmeier asked Chief Egly to look into this. (A resident of Nockamixon Township indicated that the scales to weigh trucks cost at least \$30,000 and 6 scales are needed to weigh asphalt properly.) Another resident submitted photographs taken of Broad Street after a rain storm, showing amount of mud cover on the road. Residents indicated that the road becomes very slippery and trucks travel very rapidly. Mr. Gottick further questioned if an asphalt plant would be allowed to be moved to Skunk Hollow Road at any time in the future (if quarry in Blooming Glen is closed). Chairman Pischl answered that he believed it would be permissible under the agreement, once the quarry is depleted and if Skunk Hollow is still in operation.

In summary, complaints from residents were as follows: 1) Severe blasting; 2) Damage to well water; 3) Damage to air quality; 4) Truck traffic (danger to school children); 5) Dust cover (both outside and inside homes). Chairman Pischl advised residents to send letters indicating their complaints;

Mr. Singley again advised that if letters are sent to the Township by Monday, May 4th, he will forward same to appropriate legislators and agencies with cover letters from the Township.

There was further discussion regarding damage to homes; Mr. Ron Theiss asked "Why can't Hilltown Township represent the residents in a class action suit if, in fact, their foundations are being damaged". Mr. Grabowski replied, "You have that right now ... the problem is that the first thing the quarry will do they are going to argue that the Township does not have a standing to bring an action in their own name, and they will probably win on that point ... but you have a very good argument." He further remarked that a citizen's group can go a long way and that the residents have been very patient with a terrible situation. Mr. Grabowski suggested that residents detail all complaints in their letters.

A resident questioned how expensive it would be to obtain monitoring equipment. Mr. Grabowski advised that the monitoring must be done by someone who has the expertise to do same and who would be prepared to testify as to the accuracy of the monitoring. Another resident asked if there is any limit to amount of water that can be pumped, and was told this would be regulated by the DRBC. Mr. Grabowski suggested that those letters pertaining to amount of water withdrawn could be forwarded to the DRBC.

Mr. Theis recommended that residents form a citizen's group and suggested collection of names and addresses before leaving the meeting.

8:50 P.M. - Chairman Pischl called for a recess in order to allow residents time to leave the meeting room.

9:05 P.M. - Meeting resumed.

CONFIRMED APPOINTMENTS (continued)

2. Rev. John David - not present.

3. Marcus Saitschenko - advised he was here in regard to the Calhoun Subdivision and would discuss same under the Planning Report.

4. Jay Francis - 1986 Audit Report - Mr. Francis indicated that the report (copied to all Supervisors) included additional sections, Pages 2 through 5, errors and omissions noted in the course of audit; Pages 6 and 7 - recommendations made as a result of their audit and observations made during the year. Mr. Francis thanked those people assisting in the audit. The Board thanked the auditors for the time they spent in preparing the comprehensive report. Mr. Singley stated that the purchase order system currently being implemented will be more comprehensive and there will be a "tracking record" of all bills paid in 1987.

G. ENGINEERING & PLANNING REPORT:

1. Calhoun Subdivision - Preliminary plan has not been recommended for approval by the P.C. The P.C. requests the Supervisors address existing stone arch bridge. Plan proposes to remove the stone arch bridge and replace it with a precast concrete box culvert with precast endwalls. It also proposes that widening on the development side would be 14' from centerline curbing and sidewalk. Plan does not propose sidewalk or curbing on the opposite side. Endwalls would have guiderail across the culvert with buried end sections. Total width of new bridge would be 42' wide from endwall to endwall. A DER permit is required prior to installation of this box culvert; plans and application for that

permit have been submitted with these drawings; however, permit cannot be sent to DER without the Supervisors' authorization. Mr. Wynn explained additional right-of-way is also required on the opposite side of the road from the development.

The P.C. has indicated (at a previous meeting) that they would recommend to the Board the Township acquire the ground through negotiations with property owner if possible. Mr. Wynn requested the Board's authorization to submit the drawings to PennDOT for their review. Mr. Grunmeier asked, "How can we do all this when we have no preliminary plan approval from the P.C.? This whole thing could fall through, correct?" Mr. Wynn indicated that this is correct; however, if the plan fell through, the permit does not require the Township to go ahead with the bridge replacement. DER will review proposed opening and will advise if it is adequate, and if erosion and sedimentation control are satisfactory. Mr. Grunmeier questioned wetlands; Mr. Wynn indicated that Mr. Calhoun is securing services of a botanist to investigate the potential for wetlands, and further stated that the wetlands issue would not prohibit the replacement of the box culvert. In answer to Mr. Grunmeier's question, Mr. Wynn indicated that the permit would be good for 2 years; however, it could be extended and the Township could apply to DER for renewal of the permit. Mr. Wynn explained that it is important that the Board note the improvements proposed on Orchard Road (26' widening with curbing and sidewalk). Sidewalk would terminate at the boundary of the subdivision ("road narrow" sign would be installed). The Supervisors and Mr. Wynn reviewed the plan; Mr. Wynn explained the taper of the road on both sides. Mr. Grunmeier questioned if DER would issue the requirements for constructing the bridge. Mr. Wynn answered that DER will review flood plain study and culvert sizes proposed by the applicant's engineer (their review is primarily with the opening of the structure, not with the strength of the structure).

Motion was made by Mr. Grunmeier to allow the Township Manager to apply to DER for application of bridge on Orchard Road for the Calhoun Subdivision; motion seconded by Mrs. Kelly and carried unanimously.

Mr. Saitschenko asked if the Township is planning to do anything about the right-of-way on the opposite side of Orchard Road. He asked if the Township will enter into negotiations to purchase that land from the owners. Mr. Grunmeier stated he could not see how they could do that without at least preliminary approval of the subdivision. Mr. Saitschenko replied that the P.C. stated they will not be giving any approval whatsoever until all documentation (DER permits, permits from Army Corps of Engineer, HTWSA permits, etc.) is received with the plan. Mr. Grunmeier answered, "As far as I know, the policy of the Township is set by the Supervisors not the P.C.; and since I have been on the Board, we have been approving subdivision plans with ramifications that have to be satisfied, and I don't see any change in it. If there is a change, it is not up to the Planning Commission to do it (in my opinion), it is up to the Supervisors. We are the ones that are elected to set the policy of this Township. The P.C. is formed to look over the plans, pick the best sites and best buildings for our residents. I, myself, think it is a policy decision -- it is up to the Board of Supervisors, not the P.C."

2. Dunkel Subdivision - 4 lot subdivision on Reliance Road and Bethlehem Pike. Plan was originally submitted on 7/18/86; extensions have been granted and now have expired. No revisions have been sent to the Township; no permit has been granted by PennDOT. Mr. Wynn indicated there were a number of outstanding items on the original plan. P.C.

recommended denial due to lack of any progress or submission by the developer. Motion was made by Mr. Grunmeier to deny the Dunkel Subdivision with the stipulations as stated in the Township Engineer's letter of 8/25/86 and BCPC's letter of 8/20/86; motion seconded by Mrs. Kelly; Chairman Pischl abstained since this property adjoins his property on Reliance Road.

3. Pileggi (WaWa) Land Development - Located on corner of Rt. 113 and 313. P.C. requested a 60 day extension at their last meeting; Mr. Payne indicated that would be agreeable if he could receive a copy of the P.C.'s meeting minutes. To date, Mr. Pileggi has not granted the Township an extension. Action will be required by May 15th, after Supervisor's 5/11 meeting. The Board tabled action until their next meeting.

4. The Board acknowledged receipt of the following extensions:

- a) Seik Subdivision - 60 day extension, dated 4/22/87.
- b) Hager Subdivision - 60 day extension, dated 4/22/87.
- c) Lewis Subdivision - 60 day extension, dated 4/20/87.
- d) Picard Subdivision - 60 day extension, dated 4/20/87.
- e) Kaiser/Miller Site Development - 60 day extension, dated 4/23/87.

5. Phinney Subdivision - Mr. Wynn explained that linens have not been received at this time. Mr. Phinney indicated Mr. Strothers stated he would present the linens after the meeting. Mr. Wynn explained that they are normally signed after the meeting. Mr. Grabowski confirmed that development agreements have been prepared. The Board indicated they would not approve the subdivision until linens are in hand.

6. "Border" subdivisions - Mr. Wynn reported on a plan proposed by Pat Collins, located on S. Main Street in Perkasio Borough. A portion of the 3 rear lots have lot lines within Hilltown Township. According to Mr. Wynn's information, the plan has moved through the preliminary plan stages of Perkasio Borough. The property borders the Glenn Garis donated open space of Pleasant Meadows subdivision on two sides and is virtually land locked, except for potential access to Perkasio Borough through this subdivision. Mr. Collins was told by the P.C. that he would have to submit an application to H.T.; however, at this time, he has not submitted plans or applications to H.T. Mr. Wynn indicated this may be approved by Perkasio Borough, without any input from H.T. Similarly, there are two other plans before Perkasio Borough: Preliminary Plan for Kindred; and a Preliminary Plan for Perkasio Borough Authority. There is also a plan before East Rockhill Township: Preliminary Plan for Weidner. Mr. Wynn suggested that these municipalities and applicants be notified of the requirement for submission to Hilltown Township (BCPC have furnished names and addresses).

Mr. Grabowski indicated that the Collins plan was given preliminary plan approval at the Perkasio Borough meeting (which he attended). He concurred with Mr. Wynn's suggestion regarding notification of adjoining municipalities.

ENGINEERING:

1. Quiet Acres Act 537 Revision - Application received to amend Act 537 to provide for direct stream discharge sewage treatment facility at the Quiet Acres Mobile Home Park on Pheasant Hill Road. Narrative indicates proposal provides there would not be a connection to the Telford Authority System, which has jurisdiction, due to substantial costs and right-of-way that would have to be acquired through private property. It would also not be feasible for HTWSA to service

this property. In addition to replacement of existing septic system with stream discharge, applicant proposes expansion of mobile home park from 60 units to 120 units. Mr. Wynn indicated that, at this time, there has been no submission for expansion of this park. He suggested that the engineer who submitted the Act 537 application be contacted and advised to submit development plans to the Township for review prior to the Board's decision on the Act 537 revision. The Board agreed to this suggestion.

2. "Heatherfield", Franconia Township (located between Township Line Road and Cherry Road, west of Bethlehem Pike) - Application for conditional use forwarded by Franconia Township to H.T. Proposal is for 112 single family homes in Phase I and 165 manufactured homes in Phase II (being treated as a mobile home park). Mr. Wynn indicated there is a potential for additional traffic at this intersection and if a light is warranted, part of that cost would be shared by Hilltown Township. The Board directed Mr. Wynn, on behalf of the Supervisors, to draft a letter advising Franconia Township that Hilltown Township has concerns with this application.

3. Pleasant Meadows Development - Mr. Wynn gave the following status report: Retention basin has not been final graded or seeded; there is a sedimentation control fixture on the outfall of the basin; the box culvert has been re-designed so that it drains to stream; DER permit is expired and stream cannot be relocated at this time.

4. Hickory Hamlet - Mr. Wynn gave the following status report: Road construction began last week; weather permitting, they will continue to place stone in the wooded area at the top; paving of that portion is also planned before coming down the hill toward Diamond Street.

5. Leroy Haberle property has been notified by the Bucks County Conservation District that they are in violation of Title 25, for fill being placed along the flood plain with no erosion and sedimentation control. They also have been notified to contact U.S. Army Corps of Engineers regarding regulations for wetlands.

6. Negley Subdivision - linens to be signed after the meeting.

Mr. Grunmeier asked if box trench would be placed on the Brickajlik Subdivision located on Schoolhouse Road and Diamond Street. Mr. Wynn indicated that this is an escrow item and will be taken care of.

H. SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

1. H & H Contractor's Site Development Plan, Rt. 313 - Mr. Grabowski reported that Joseph & Eileen Burger agreed to enter into a site development agreement with the Township and also a financial security agreement with an escrow account established for the site improvements. Bucks County Bank & Trust Co. has issued a letter of credit to the Township in the amount of \$5,592.00. Agreements to be signed by Supervisors at this meeting.

Motion was made by Mr. Grunmeier to give approval to the site development and escrow agreements for the Burger subdivision; motion seconded by Mrs. Kelly and carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Mr. Grunmeier to adopt Resolutions #87-15, Acceptance of Deed of Dedication and Resolution #87-16, Declaration of Public Purpose; motion seconded by Mrs. Kelly and carried unanimously.

2. Silverdale Planning Commission has requested a joint meeting be held with Hilltown Township Planning Commission, Silverdale Planning Commission, Hilltown Township Supervisors, and Silverdale Borough Council on Tuesday, May 12th at 7:30 P.M., to be held at Pennview Savings Association, Baringer Avenue, Silverdale. They have notified Mr. Bennington and asked that he contact other members of the P.C.

3. Farm Bureau has given notice that Agway will take over - Farm Bureau will be dissolved as of May 1, 1987. Agway will notify the Township as to equity in minor amount of stock.

4. Fire Company Reports received from the following companies: Dublin; Souderton; Silverdale; and Line Lexington.

5. Mr. Singley read the following meetings to be held at the Township Building in the month of May, 1987:

- Tues., 5/5 - Water Ordinance Meeting - 7:30 P.M.
- Thurs., 5/7 - ZHB Meeting: R.Wendig - 7:00 P.M.
L. Williams - 8:00 P.M.
- Mon., 5/11 - Supervisors' Meeting - 7:30 P.M.
- Wed., 5/13 - HTWSA Meeting - 7:30 P.M.
- Mon., 5/18 - Planning Commission Mtg. - 7:30 P.M.
- Mon., 5/25 - Memorial Day Holiday - Regularly scheduled Supervisors Meeting is cancelled.
- Wed., 5/27 - HTWSA Work Session - 7:30 P.M.

6. Report received from Bunny's Animal Shelter for the quarter ending March, 1987; report is on file at the Township office.

J. SUPERVISOR'S COMMENTS:

1. Mr. Grunmeier thanked Mr. Singley for speaking to the students on local government in our Township. He indicated it was a very rewarding experience.

2. Mr. Grunmeier announced, "Everyone here knows I am for regional planning -- I think it can work and I think its got to go -- but I would like to set the record straight on Dublin Borough". He indicated that it was reported in the newspaper that Dublin Borough stated that Hilltown and Bedminster had no reason to go in with regional planning. He stated, "That is incorrect, if I remember correctly at that meeting . . . we suggested since Dublin is contemplating hooking up to BCWSA, at that time we would not pursue the matter but if that fell through we would be very glad to meet with Dublin Borough . . . and that was so stated by Bedminster and Hilltown Township." Mr. Pischl and Mrs. Kelly also indicated that this statement was correct.

3. Chairman Pischl announced that road inspection was held Saturday, April 25, 1987.

At this time a press conference was held to answer any questions or concerns of those reporters present.

There being no further business, a motion of adjournment was made by Mr. Grunmeier at 10:11 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Gloria G. Neiman

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Township Secretary

2. Mr. Grabowski gave the following report on the Pennridge Wastewater Treatment Authority litigation: Many years ago the Pennridge Wastewater Authority was formed to be a regional wastewater facility. The municipalities involved entered into a treatment agreement in 1975. The original agreement provided that representation to that group would be shared among the municipalities as follows: 3 from Perkasio; 2 from Sellersville; 1 each from Telford, East Rockhill, Hilltown and Silverdale. The reason for unequal representation at that time, was that Perkasio and Sellersville insisted they would be the only users of the plant. Perkasio Borough Council passed a resolution, stating that at such time when all participating municipalities became connected to the system, the PWTB Board would realize that each municipality would have one vote. East Rockhill was last to become a member; outlying municipalities requested the realignment take place and this has not occurred. Litigation has continued for three years. PBA has indicated they will not agree to any change in the original agreement and recommend that the equal vote concept not be accomplished. A lawsuit has been prepared on behalf of Silverdale, E. Rockhill, Sellersville, Hilltown Township, HTWSA, Telford Borough, and Telford Borough Authority against the Borough of Perkasio, Perkasio Borough Authority and PWTB, requesting that municipalities receive equal representation.

Solicitors have received an acknowledgement from the Chairman of the Perkasio Borough Authority that he will schedule (at the earliest convenience) a work session with the PBA and Perkasio Borough to consider the matter. Based on this, Silverdale Borough's Solicitor and Mr. Grabowski have agreed to delay filing of the lawsuit to give Perkasio Borough an opportunity to resolve this. Mr. Grabowski informed the Board that HTWSA will bear the costs involved in this matter.

I. PUBLIC COMMENT:

1. Jane McIntyre, Hilltown Pike, Line Lexington Mrs. McIntyre complained of problem with accumulation of trash, 3 boats, and 3 cars on the Handschu property (in addition to a problem with rats). The Board referred this complaint to the Township Zoning Officer. Mrs. McIntyre stated that the Zoning Officer has permission to enter her property. Mr. Wynn indicated that the Zoning Officer should be alerted to the fact that this property was cited before and has a long history of violations.

2. John Snyder informed the Board that all adaptors have been received and have been placed on trucks which are in service.

3. William Gottick questioned status of Pileggi suit. Mr. Grabowski indicated this is before Judge Beister, there has been one hearing held to date; further hearings have not yet been scheduled. Mr. Gottick questioned name of attorney present at that hearing and was told by Mr. Grabowski that Attorney John Rice was present; however, Mr. Grabowski indicated he would probably attend the next hearing.

J. CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Invitation from Rep. Kostmayer, Local Government Day, Washington, D.C. - June 4th. Buses will be leaving various locations on Thursday, 6/4. Anyone interested should contact the Township Secretary. Mr. Grunmeier indicated that he attended last year and it proved to be a very interesting day.