

**HILLTOWN TOWNSHIP
SUPERVISORS'S MEETING
March 10, 1986**

The meeting of the Hilltown Township Board of Supervisors was called to order by Chairman, Vincent Pischl, at 7:30 P.M.

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

Others present were: Mr. C. Robert Wynn, Twp. Coordinator
Mrs. Gloria Neiman, Secretary
Francis X. Grabowski, Twp. Solicitor
George C. Egly, Jr., Police Chief
Thomas Buzby, Road Superintendent

Mr. Grunmeier recognized Mr. Rhine Miller, Springfield Township Supervisor, who was in attendance at this meeting.

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: In reference to Act 247 public hearings held on March 3rd, Mr. Grunmeier reported that these hearings were filled and it was not necessary for Mr. Wynn or Mr. Brennan to testify.

Regarding the Haberle property, Mr. Wynn reported that no correspondence has been received from Mr. Haberle to date; the Township will follow up with a certified letter this week.

Motion was made by Mrs. Kelly to approve the minutes of the February 24, 1986 Supervisors' meeting as written; seconded by Mr. Grunmeier and carried unanimously.

B. TREASURER'S REPORT: The Cash Flow Report dated 2/1/86 to 2/28/86 was read by Mr. Wynn; this report is on file at the Township office.

C. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE: Current billing in the amount of \$13,082.94, with a Building Fund Account bill of \$1,265.00 and a Street Light Tax Account bill of \$236.12, was approved by the Board. Motion was made by Mrs. Kelly to pay bills when due; seconded by Mr. Grunmeier and carried unanimously.

D. TOWNSHIP COORDINATOR'S REPORT:

1. Old Business:

(a) Blooming Glen Sidewalks - Sidewalks to be replaced have been marked by the Township Engineer. Mr. Wynn explained that, due to a 30% cut in Community Development funds, the Township will receive only \$56,000 for this project (instead of the expected \$80,000). Estimated cost of project is \$85,000. The Board approved bidding the project by unit price, so that scope of project could be determined in the future.

(b) Agricultural Security Area Proposal - Mr. Wynn indicated on a map, the proposed boundaries and property owner currently enrolled (total acreage to date is approximately 1,837). The proposal will be advertised publicly on Wednesday, March 12th, in Intelligencer and News Herald and posted in five locations within that area. Beginning on March 12th, individuals not included in the original proposal will have thirty (30) days to respond or make comments. Within seventy-five (75) days, recommendation must be received from the local planning commission and Agricultural Advisory Committee. A public hearing will be held by the Board of Supervisors following receipt of the review recommendations. Vincent Pischl named the following persons to the Agricultural Advisory Committee: Kenneth Beer; Paul Hockman; Robert Wendig; and Vincent Pischl as Township designate. One additional resident (a farmer) is needed and Mr. Pischl will contact possible candidates. Formal nomination and appointment of Committee members by the Board is expected at the next Supervisors' meeting.

(c) Alderfer & Frank Transfer Station - Site Development application previously approved by Supervisors approximately 2 years ago. Response to DER review letter received from JACA Corp., Environmental Consultants. Plans and documents are available at the Township Building for public inspection and review.

(d) Line Lexington Sewer Study - Questionnaires were provided to residents; 30 received, a number of them with comments. 27% indicated they did not want construction of public sewers in Line Lexington, primarily due to cost. 43% indicated they would pay entire amount. Remaining 30% indicated they could pay an initial amount ranging from \$500 to \$3,000; but could not pay the entire cost of \$6,800 up front. Most common complaint, other than cost, was basis of assessment. Residents indicated they would favor front footage/EDU combination assessment. Copies of questionnaires and analysis will be given to Supervisors and a work session will be held with HTWSA to receive their comments and input.

(e) North Penn Industrial Subdivision - Extension of review time received from developer. Motion was made by Mr. Grunmeier to accept extension until May 1, 1986 for review of North Penn Industrial Subdivision plans; motion seconded by Mrs. Kelly and carried unanimously.

(f) Hilldale Estates - Phase II - Previously approved - Plans to be signed by Board after meeting. Plans will not be released until escrow agreements are completed.

(g) Pleasant Meadows - Phase II - Previously approved - Plans to be signed by Board after meeting. Escrow agreements previously executed.

2. New Business:

(a) Bucks County Consortium:

(i) Mr. Wynn distributed to Supervisors copies of proposed Articles of Agreement, defining purpose and establishing member fee of \$100. The Board will discuss this agreement at a later date, prior to the May 1st deadline.

(ii) Police Contract Tracking Proposal - Proposal to Bucks County Consortium from William J. Atkinson, to provide all participants with information to prepare for collective bargaining. The Board will review and discuss this proposal at their meeting of March 24th.

(b) Application for County Aid - Motion was made by Mr. Grunmeier to adopt Resolution #86-18, applying for \$2,088.04 allocation of County Fuel Liquid Fuel Tax Funds for pothole repairs within the Township; motion seconded by Mrs. Kelly and carried unanimously.

(c) Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful Day" - Motion was made by Mr. Grunmeier to adopt Resolution #86-19, declaring April 26, 1986 as "Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful Day" as designated by Gov. Thornburgh; motion seconded by Mrs. Kelly and carried unanimously.

(d) Proposals for Materials -1986: Gas, Fuel, Heating Oil has been bid through the Bucks County Consortium. Bidding of stone and asphalt will be through the Township (first meeting in April, 1986).

E. SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

1. Replogle/Heinrich Subdivision, South Perkasio Road - Motion was made by Mr. Grunmeier to approve escrow agreement of \$11,000 for site improvements; motion seconded by Mrs. Kelly and carried unanimously. Escrow monies have been deposited with Township.
2. In answer to Mr. Grunmeier's question regarding status of Dept. of Agriculture records on Mrs. Ammon's property, Mr. Grabowski indicated he has written the Department but received no answer to date.
3. Regarding the back gate of the Blooming Glen Quarry, Mr. Pischl stated there is nothing in the agreement which indicates the gate should be closed.

F. PUBLIC WORKS REPORT: Mr. Buzby read the report dated 2/7/86 thru 3/1/86; same is on file at the Township Building.

G. POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT: Chief Egly read the report for the month of February; same is on file at the Township Building.

H. PUBLIC COMMENT:

1. Ron Theis, Callowhill Road - Mr. Theis remarked on glare of lights from tower and asked if shields could be placed around lights to reflect upwards. Mr. Wynn will contact Atlantic States Microwave Company. He further questioned the possibility of allowing other towers within the Township, and asked if Supervisors could change the Zoning Ordinance to avoid this. Mr. Grabowski advised that due to the Zoning Hearing Board's involvement with this matter, the Board should not comment publicly until a decision has been formally made. Mr. Theis further stated his opinion that the Township Coordinator and Township Solicitor should be residents of the Township. Mr. Grunmeier stated emphatically that they both "do a superb job", and (in his opinion) it doesn't matter where they reside as long as they are doing their job.
2. Carol Johnson, 715 Reliance Road, Telford - Mrs. Johnson questioned status of Haberle property and commented on amount of cars in road. Mr. Wynn replied that the Township notified Leroy Haberle of zoning violations over a year ago; he was issued three citations, found guilty, and fined \$300 by the court (\$100 per offense). He was also also fined approximately \$100 by BCHD for septic disposal violations. Approximately 2½ weeks ago, Mr. Haberle was again sent a letter from the Township indicating continued violations. Another letter will be mailed this week (via certified mail), requesting his response to these zoning violations. Mrs. Johnson also remarked that he has cut down trees which are preventing water flow of the creek -- Mr. Wynn will advise DER of potential flood plain violation.
3. Donald Owens asked if Mr. Haberle's fine could be increased. Mr. Wynn replied that the Township has no control over the amount - it is set by the judge with a statutory limit of \$500 per offense.
4. Jim Sanders, 1233 Broad Street - Mr. Sanders questioned reduction of speed limit on Broad Street. Chief Egly reported that the 55 m.p.h. speed limit was consistent with traffic on that street. Mr. Wynn will contact New Britain Township regarding the posting of Stump Road - "no trucks allowed".

I. CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Bucks County SPCA has requested contribution from the Township of \$250 (\$125 was sent in 1985). Motion was made by Mr. Grunmeier to donate \$250 to the Bucks County SPCA for 1986; motion seconded by Mrs. Kelly and carried unanimously.
2. DCA Road and Street Maintenance Workshop - Motion was made by Mr. Grunmeier to send the Road Superintendent to this Workshop at a cost of \$20, with location to be chosen by Mr. Buzby; motion seconded by Mr. Pischl and carried unanimously.
3. DCA - Training on Supervision and Discipline - Course to be held in King of Prussia on April 8th - Motion was made by Mr. Grunmeier to send Mr. Wynn to this course at a cost of \$25; motion seconded by Mrs. Kelly and carried unanimously.
4. Workshop - How to Save Your Purchasing Dollars by Obtaining Federal Surplus Property - to be held in Philadelphia.
5. Fire Company February Reports received from the following companies: Souderton; Telford; and Dublin. Chalfont Financial Statement dated Dec. 31, 1984 also received. All are on file at the Township office.

J. SUPERVISOR'S COMMENTS:

1. Mrs. Kelly attended the Solid Waste Organization Meeting at East Rockhill on March 6th, and indicated that another meeting will be held at the Hilltown Township building on March 20th at 7:30 P.M.
2. Mr. Grunmeier commended the Town Watch organization on their assistance in apprehending a graffiti artist, and congratulated them on a "job well done".

There being no further business, a motion of adjournment was made by Mrs. Kelly, seconded by Mr. Grunmeier. Adjournment at 8:47 P.M.

Respectfully,



Gloria G. Neiman
Secretary