HILLTOWN TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS' MEETING December 30, 1985

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

Members present were:

Mr. Vincent Pischl, Chairman Mrs. Mary Lockard, Vice Chairman Mr. Robert H. Grunmeier, Supervisor

Mr. C. Robert Wynn, Twp. Coordinator Mrs. Gloria Neiman, Secretary Others present were:

Francis X. Grabowski, Twp. Solicitor

- A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A correction was made to the 12/09/86 minutes Page 5, Item 3 budget work session date should be 12/11/85. There being no further corrections, Mr. Grunmeier made a motion to approve the minutes of the 12/09/85 meeting as corrected; motion seconded by Mrs. Lockard and carried unanimously.
- B. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE: Current billing in the amount of \$274,956.01 (including Tax Anticipation Note of \$250,000 due Union National Bank) was approved by the Board. Motion was made by Mrs. Lockard to pay bills when due, seconded by Mr. Grunmeier and carried unanimously.
- CONFIRMED APPOINTMENTS: None
- TOWNSHIP COORDINATOR'S REPORT:
 - 1. Old Business:
 - (a) Fire Protection Agreements: Signed agreements received from Chalfont and Telford Fire Companies -- Supervisors will execute after meeting.
 - Kirk's Service Center Towing: Mr. Kirk has submitted his procedure for vehicle pick-up and has indicated his intention to comply with Police Dept. General Order #84-41. Chairman Pischl tabled this matter to discuss same with the Chief of Police.
 - (c) H & L Subdivision Improvements: Developer has requested that the Township accept dedication of road now, with the stipulation that he will complete remaining road work under a maintenance bond. Township Engineer will be asked to make final inspection and recommendations.

2. New Business:

- (a) Pension Funds Crediting of 1984 Excess Interest: Motion was made by Mr. Grunmeier to credit excess interest monies of the Police (\$7,324.43) and Non-Uniform (\$1,593.98) to the Municipal Account; by Mrs. Lockard and carried motion seconded unanimously.
- Insurance Companies/Proposal: (b) 1986 Liability and Workman's Compensation cancelled by H.A. Thomson Co. Proposal received from Nationwide Insurance Co. for two amounts of coverage: (1) Package policy with \$3,000,000 coverage = annual premium of \$75,429. (2) \$2,000,000 coverage = annual premium of \$63,165. Mr. Grunmeier indicated his displeasure with the rising cost of municipal insurance. Motion was made by Mrs. Lockard to award the Liability and Workman's Compensation coverage (\$2,000,000) to Nationwide Insurance at an annual cost of \$63,165; motion seconded by Mr. Pischl and carried unanimously.

(c) 1986 Budget Adoption: Mr. Wynn read highlights of the 1986 Budget, indicating a 1.7% increase over total estimated amount. There was an 11% increase in budgeted amounts for general government due to anticipated legal fees for arbitration and unionization of non-uniform employees. Copies of the budget are posted in the Township Building and are on file at the Township Office. Motion was made by Mr. Grunmeier to adopt Resolution #85-52, 1986 Budget Adoption; motion seconded by Mrs. Lockard and carried unanimously.

8:00 P.M. - Advertised hearing for adoption of Nuisance Ordinance. Notice was advertised in the News Herald, with copies on file at the Intelligencer and News Herald newspapers, at Mr. Grabowski's office, and Township Office. Mr. Grabowski briefly reviewed items of the ordinance, indicating that this is a compilation of various nuisance ordinances adopted by other municipalities, updated to the Township's requirements. In answer to a resident's question, Mr. Grabowski stated that this will not affect operation of farms, which are protected by State Act 133. There being no further comment, a motion was made by Mrs. Lockard to adopt Ordinance No. 85-8, establishing nuisance standards; motion seconded by Mr. Grunmeier and carried unanimously. This Ordinance will take effect January 1, 1986.

E. PLANNING:

- 1. Replogle Subdivision: 5 lot subdivision located at corner of South Perkasie Road and Blooming Glen Road. The Board reviewed the proposed sketch plan for Lot #5 to be developed as Phase II and concerns of P.C. relative to proposed length of cul-de-sac street. The BCPC design criteria "Performance Streets" indicates that the number of single family detached units that may be serviced by a single cul-de-sac should be limited to 20 (200 ADT). The sketch proposed for Lot #5 creates 12 new lots. Alternative: develop through street from South Perkasie Road to Blooming Glen road. Due to requirements for a bridge crossing the floodplain, creation of a through road in a new residential development, and maintenance requirements for a longer roadway (1,300 foot cul-de-sac vs. 1700 foot through road) servicing the same number lots, a motion was made by Mrs. Lockard to approve the Replogle Subdivision Phase I subject to conditions listed in P.C. minutes of 12/16/85, seconded by Mr. Grunmeier and carried unanimously.
- 2. Wright Subdivision: 2 lot subdivision located on Fretz Road. Motion was made by Mr. Grunmeier to approve the Wright Subdivision subject to conditions listed in P.C. minutes of 12/16/85; seconded by Mrs. Lockard and carried unanimously

F. SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

- 1. 1986 Tax Anticipation Loan Approval & Authorization: The Board instructed Mr. Grabowski to proceed with paperwork for borrowing of \$250,000 from Union National Bank at a fixed rate of 6%, to cover Township expenses in early part of year, in anticipation of tax receipts.
- Dublin Joint Study Commission Agreement: Special meeting was held on 12/18/85, with Mr. Grabowski and Mr. Grunmeier attending, to discuss compromise agreement proposed by Hilltown Township. Mr. Grabowski indicated the revised agreement is acceptable to Dublin Borough, cancelling Paragraph 2.8. Three residents of the Township will be appointed to the Commission: one from the area

involved; one from the P.C.; and one from HTWSA. Motion was made by Mr. Grunmeier to accept revised agreement of understanding of Joint Study Commission with Dublin Borough and Bedminster and Hilltown Townships participating; motion seconded by Mrs. Lockard and carried unanimously.

- 3. Pleasant Meadows Subdivision Phase II Agreements:
 Motion was made by Mr. Grunmeier to adopt Resolution
 No. 85-53, Phase II of Pleasant Meadows Subdivision;
 motion seconded by Mrs. Lockard and carried
 unanimously.
- 4. Alice Moyer Subdivision Deed of Dedication: Motion was made by Mrs. Lockard to adopt Resolution #85-54, Acceptance, and Resolution #85-55, Declaration of Public Purpose; motion seconded by Mr. Grunmeier and carried unanimously.
- Donald Nace Subdivision Deed of Dedication/Escrow Agreement: \$2,000 has been escrowed for construction of endwalls. Motion was made by Mrs. Lockard to adopt Resolution #85-56, Acceptance and Resolution #85-57, Declaration of Public Purpose; seconded by Mr. Grunmeier and carried unanimously.

G. PUBLIC COMMENT:

- 1. John Hill, Callowhill Rd., Perkasie: Because of his concern with the growth of the Township, Mr. Hill requested that the Board consider a tax of 5% on all new development. Mr. Hill was advised by Mr. Grabowski that a flat tax as proposed would not be permitted by the Second Class Township Code.
- 2. Bob Windig, Bypass Road: Mr. Windig asked if the Board has considered impact fees. Mr. Wynn replied that an ordinance is being considered which would require any new development to contribute to the Township General Fund for maintenance and repair of existing roadways.
- 3. Dale Nice, President of Telford Fire Co.: Mr. Nice thanked Mrs. Lockard "for the fine job she has done". He further stated that the Township residents are loosing a tremendous and dedicated supervisor.
- 4. John Snyder, Line Lexington: At the last meeting Mr. Snyder's name was proposed as PEMA Coordinator. Mr. Snyder requested that his name be withdrawn, due to his job and fire police committments, in addition to his position as Township auditor. He thanked the Board for their consideration. The Board will seek another person for this position (Mrs. Kelly will resign effective Dec. 31, 1986, due to her current elected position as Township Supervisor.

H. CORRESPONDENCE:

- 1. Bucks County Association of Township Officials: Resolutions for consideration at County Convention due no later than January 3, 1986.
- 2. Telford and Perkasie Fire Companies November report received and on file at Township office.

I. SUPERVISOR'S COMMENTS:

1. Mr. Pischl announced that the budget work session scheduled for 12/11/85 was postponed to Tuesday, 12/17/85 at 7:30 P.M.

- 2. Reorganization Meeting will be held on Monday, 1/6/86 at 7:30 P.M. -- not a regular Township meeting.
- 3. Mr. Grunmeier stated it is his opinion that the Board should recommend adoption of House Bill 1918 regarding abolishment of frivolous law suits.
- 4. Mr. Grunmeier indicated that he was very proud to have worked with Mrs. Lockard. He further stated that the Board always discussed all issues and made a decision that would best benefit the Township and its residents.
- 5. Mr. Pischl remarked that he felt very privileged to have worked with the first woman supervisor in Hilltown Township.
- 6. Mrs. Lockard expressed her appreciation to everyone. She also commended the road crew for their work on Christmas Eve/Christmas morning.

There being no further business, a motion of adjournment was made by Mr. Pischl, seconded by Mr. Grunmeier. Adjournment at 8:50 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Aloria G. Neiman

Secretary