

**HILLTOWN TOWNSHIP
SUPERVISORS' MEETING
August 12, 1985**

The meeting of the Hilltown Township Board of Supervisors was called to order by the Chairman, Mr. Vincent Pischl, at 7:30 P.M. Mr. Pischl announced that Vice Chairman, Mary Lockard would not be present due to a death in the family.

Members present were: Mr. Vincent Pischl, Chairman
Mr. Robert H. Grunmeier, Supervisor

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

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion was made by Mr. Grunmeier, seconded by Mr. Pischl, to approve the minutes of the 7/22/85 Supervisors' meeting as written.

B. TREASURER'S REPORT: Mr. Wynn read the Treasurer's Report dated July 31, 1985; motion was made by Mr. Grunmeier to accept the report as given, seconded by Mr. Pischl.

C. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE: Current billing in the amount of \$34,383.54, with an additional Street Light Tax Account bill of \$236.12, was approved by the Board, with the exception of Hance Radiator bill of \$205.99 to be reviewed. Motion was made by Mr. Grunmeier to pay bills when due with exception of Hance Radiator bill to be reviewed; motion seconded by Mr. Pischl.

D. CONFIRMED APPOINTMENTS: Emory Buck, Attorney for Janos Liptak - Mr. Wynn reviewed items of last meeting; the Board had tabled discussion of same until each member was able to make an inspection of the site. Mr. Liptak is requesting relief from planting of a buffer strip and installation of bathroom facilities (due to low number of employees). Mr. & Mrs. Bruce McMillan, neighbors, were present to complain of Mr. Liptak's using their driveway for tractor trailers. Mr. Grunmeier suggested that a 6 foot high opaque fence be constructed in lieu of the buffer tree plantings (fence to be constructed from a point approximately the rear of the dwelling to the rear of the existing industrial building and along the McMillan property line). Mr. Pischl recommended that this be accomplished at same time new driveway and outdoor storage is installed. Mr. Liptak stated he could not accomplish improvements by Fall. At this time Mr. Pischl announced a 5 minute recess to discuss same with the Township Solicitor. 7:58 P.M. Meeting recessed. 8:03 P.M. - Meeting called to order. Mr. Grunmeier stated that the driveway and storage area should be in place by 10/15/85, including buffer plantings or 6' high opaque fence. The Board allowed Mr. Liptak and Mr. Buck time to discuss this and continued with regular meeting until their return.

8:10 P.M. - Ordinance #85-6 - An Ordinance amending the Hilltown Township Zoning Ordinance No. 83-1, enacted on January 24, 1983, specifically amending said ordinance relative to Use B7, Retirement Village and Use C13 Nursing Home. This Ordinance has been reviewed by BCPC, Hilltown Township Planning Commission and the Township Engineer and recommended for approval. At this time Mr. Jack Fox stated his opposition to the method in which this ordinance came about. Motion was made by Mr. Grunmeier, seconded by Mr. Pischl, to adopt Ordinance #85-6; a vote to approve this ordinance did not pass, with Mr. Grunmeier voting yes and Mr. Pischl voting no. The Chairman, Mr. Pischl requested that the ordinance be reconsidered for adoption at the next meeting.

8:15 P.M. - Proposals opened for Blooming Glen Sidewalk Reconstruction: Two proposals received: Eckert & Malone = \$8,875.00
Cowan & Associates, Inc. = \$6,535.00

Motion was made by Mr. Pischl to approve bid of the low bidder, Cowan Associates, Inc. at \$6,535.00 (subject to Community Development review) since the Board is familiar with their qualifications; motion seconded by Mr. Grunmeier and carried unanimously.

8:17 P.M. - Regular meeting resumed.

E. TOWNSHIP COORDINATOR'S REPORT:

1. Old Business:

(a) Fire Protection Agreement signed by Perkasio Fire Company - Board will sign after meeting.

(b) Road Department Employment - The Board interviewed Thomas Hess on 7/25/85 and were impressed with his qualifications. Motion was made by Mr. Grunmeier to hire Thomas Hess (retroactive 7/22/85) at a salary of \$8.50 per hour, seconded by Mr. Pischl.

(c) Broad Street - Truck Traffic: Mr. Wynn investigated alternate roads and found no acceptable alternative road from Route 313 area of the Township due to bridge restrictions.

(d) Thomas Musselman Log Barn R.F.P. - Specifications have been updated by Township Engineer and reviewed by Jack Fox with only one change - Mr. Fox has requested that a introduction be included with a brief history of the barn. The Board approved advertisement for bid opening at the September 23rd Supervisors' meeting.

(e) Keystone Drive Sewer - Sewers were completed early this summer - to date, 4 individuals have not paid assessment charges and Township Solicitor has been notified. Motion was made by Mr. Grunmeier, seconded by Mr. Pischl, to return \$8,518.60 to R & S Diner, Inc. per the agreement between Hilltown Township, Telford Borough Authority and the Diner, motion seconded by Mr. Pischl.

8:25 P.M. - Mr. Liptak and his attorney, Mr. Buck returned for discussion of his property. Mr. Liptak agreed to Supervisors' suggestion of constructing a 6 foot high opaque fence in lieu of tree buffer plantings, installation of the new driveway and installation of the fenced storage area by October 15, 1985. Motion was made by Mr. Grunmeier, stating that Mr. Liptak is to construct driveway, storage area and buffer opaque fencing by 10/15/85, seconded by Mr. Pischl and approved unanimously.

Mr. Grunmeier made a motion to waive requirement of bathroom facilities, Section 1202.1 BOCA Code, until construction of Phase 3; motion seconded by Mr. Pischl and approved unanimously.

2. New Business:

(a) Silverdale Borough - The Borough has requested the Township's assistance in snow plowing this winter. Mr. Buzby, Road Superintendent, stated that he could not handle that additional work and still give Township good road service. The Board advised Mr. Wynn and Mr. Buzby to investigate further.

(b) Save-A-Life Swim - Joan Ferry has requested the Township's donation in memory of Marion Klinetob. Mr. Grunmeier made a motion to approve \$50 donation to Save-A-Life Swim on behalf of the American Cancer Society; motion seconded by Mr. Pischl and approved unanimously.

(c) Park & Recreation - Motion was made by Mr. Grunmeier to pay \$756.46 to Park & Recreation for summer programs: \$70 to be paid to Mr. Knapp and \$686.46 to Jack Adams, Recreation Director; motion seconded by Mr. Pischl and approved unanimously.

(d) Garden Spot Nursery - Site Development Plan.
Patterson Trucking - Site Development Plan. Approval received from Hatfield Township Sewer Authority for both properties to connect to public sewer. Motion was made by Mr. Grunmeier to approve the Site Development Plan of Garden Spot Nursery based on installation of required improvements, and execution of sewer and stormwater facility agreements in a manner acceptable to the Township Solicitor; motion seconded by Mr. Pischl and approved unanimously. Motion was made by Mr. Grunmeier to approve the Site Development Plan of Patterson Trucking subject to installation of required improvements and execution of sewer and stormwater facility agreements in a manner acceptable to the Township Solicitor; motion seconded by Mr. Pischl and carried unanimously.

F. POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT: Chief Egly read the July report; same in on file at the Township office.

G. SOLICITOR'S REPORT: Mr. Grabowski reported on the Dublin well litigation, stating that the Township filed written appeal on Friday, August 9, 1985; Dublin will have until August 19th to file response (Mr. Grabowski stated that there will be no activity on the site until that time). The Township authorized Mr. Grabowski to write a water management agreement to be submitted to Dublin Borough and Bedminster Township (read by Mr. Grabowski at this meeting). This document will be hand delivered Tuesday, August 13th (copy of same in on file at the Township office).

H. PUBLIC COMMENT

1. Mary Philips, 821 Middle Road - Complaint regarding dog kennel across from her property. She stated that this problem has been reoccurring since 1969 and that Mrs. Ammon has over 200 dogs which suffer from neglect and also cause noise disturbance and odor problems. Mrs. Philips stated that Mrs. Ammon has been cited by the Dept. of Health. She has been issued a license by the Dept. of Agriculture. Mr. Grabowski will look into legal aspects; Mr. Wynn will send a notice to the Dept. of Agriculture advising them of complaints received.
2. Mr. & Mrs. Weber - thanked the Supervisors and Solicitor for their handling of the Dublin Well situation.
3. Toni McMillan - complained of Mr. Liptak's dogs disturbing her pet fowl and poor response by the Hilltown Township Police Department. Chief Egly advised her that he would look into violations issued by police officer who responded to her complaint. She was advised to bring the matter before Mr. Hunsicker since this is a private nuisance matter.

4. Jack Fox - commended the Supervisors for taking positive approach in attempting to solve the Dublin Well situation.
5. Ivan Jurin - Questioned the proposed subdivision of the Enslow's property - Mr. Wynn advised that only an informal sketch plan has been presented to the P.C.; no preliminary plan has been submitted.

I. CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Line Lexington Fire Company - Parade to be held on Saturday, August 28th, prior to dedication of Substation -- request that a Supervisor be present to say a few words.
2. July Fire Reports received from: Souderton, Perkasie, Telford, Dublin, and Silverdale Fire Companies - on file at the Township office.
3. Seminar for Township Roadmaster at Best Western Inn, Carlisle - sponsored by PSATS. Motion was made by Mr. Grunmeier to send the Roadmaster to this Seminar on September 15, 1985, seconded by Mr. Pischl.
4. Cost Cutting Workshop at Hershey Lodge on August 16th. Mr. Grunmeier made a motion to approve attendance by Mr. Wynn, if feasible, seconded by Mr. Pischl.

J. SUPERVISOR'S COMMENTS:

1. Mr. Grunmeier advised that chevrons need replacement at Swartley Road and Hilltown Pike and asked that PennDOT be contacted.
2. Mr. Grunmeier stated that he would be available on Saturday, August 16th from 11:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. for any residents wishing to discuss problems or concerns.
3. Mr. Grunmeier asked that a price be solicited for painting of the Township Maintenance Building garage door.
4. Mr. Pischl announced that the third police negotiation meeting was held on July 24th and the contract is now in arbitration.

There being no further business, a motion of adjournment was made by Mr. Grunmeier, seconded by Mr. Pischl. Adjournment at 9:55 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,


Gloria G. Neiman

