

HILLTOWN TOWNSHIP
SUPERVISORS' MEETING
JULY 23, 1984

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

Members present were: Mr. Vincent Pischl, Chairman
Mrs. Mary Lockard, Vice Chairman
Mr. Robert H. Grunmeier, Supervisor

Others present were: Mr. C. Robert Wynn, Twp. Coordinator
Mrs. Gloria Neiman, Secretary
Mr. Jeffrey Drake, Solicitor (arrival at 7:55 P.M.)

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by Mr. Pischl. Mr. Pischl announced that the meeting was being tape recorded.

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Mr. Grunmeier made a motion to approve the minutes of the meeting of July 9, 1984 as submitted; Mrs. Lockard seconded and motion was carried unanimously.

B. TREASURER'S REPORT: The Treasurer's Report was read by Mr. Wynn; motion was made by Mr. Grunmeier to approve the report as given; seconded by Mrs. Lockard and carried unanimously.

C. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE: Current billing in the amount of \$33,179.87, with an additional Street Light Tax Account bill of \$47.42 and Police Pension Fund bills totaling \$9,970.71, was approved by the Board. Motion was made by Mrs. Lockard to pay bills when due, seconded by Mr. Grunmeier and carried unanimously.

D. CONFIRMED APPOINTMENTS: Mr. Moser, Re: Recreational Facilities - Mr. Moser was not present at the meeting.

E. TOWNSHIP COORDINATOR'S REPORT:

1) Old Business:

a. Moylan Enterprises - Street Improvements - Nothing new has been done -- grading and seeding has been scheduled by R & M Contractors in September.

b. Welcome House Road - Storm Drainage Improvements - began work end of last week (wk. of 7/16); number of trees have been removed; to date, 15 sections of pipe have been laid.

c. Traffic Safety Unit Sign Maintenance Survey - In response to recommendations of the Traffic Safety Unit, Maintenance survey signs covered with foliage have been cleared by the road crew. Regarding painting of stop bar on Route 152, PennDOT advised the Township should decide location of same. The Supervisors directed the Traffic Safety Unit to determine placement of stop bar.

d. East Summit Street Speed Restrictions - Speed limit signs have been installed.

2) New Business:

a. Perkasio Fire Company - June Report indicated only one alarm in Hilltown Township. Report on file at Township office.

b. Establishment of Deed Registration - Mr. Wynn explained that currently, all deeds for property transfer are being recorded in Hilltown Township prior to recordation at the Courthouse in Doylestown. Since this is a very time consuming task which has become costly for the Township to maintain, Mr. Wynn recommended that the Board consider passing an Ordinance which will eliminate this practice. Solicitor, Jeffrey Drake, also advised that the idea of Township recordation may not be justified. The Board unanimously approved this recommendation and directed Mr. Wynn to prepare an Ordinance for advertisement.

- F. PLANNING REPORT: Kendra Subdivision - Mr. Grunmeier made a motion to approve this 22 acre subdivision, subject to conditions listed in the Planning Commission Minutes of July 16, 1984 (Items 2a and 2b); Mrs. Lockard seconded and motion was carried unanimously.

8:00 P.M. - Bid opening - Fairhill School Road Bridge Reconstruction
Mr. Wynn explained that this project is financed through Community Development Block Grant Funds and has been advertised in accordance with Federal requirements. Invitations to Bid were sent to ten contractors.

Two bids received:

1. Ply-Mar Construction - \$76,683.00 Total
965 Plymouth Rd., Norristown, PA 19401
2. Centennial Contractors, Inc. - \$93,383.85 Total
Box 371A, R.D.4, Quakertown, PA 18951

Alternate Wooden Parapet:

1. Ply-Mar Construction - \$7,000 increase for wooden over concrete.
2. Centennial Contractors, Inc. - \$8,800 increase for wooden over concrete.

Since this project was estimated at \$70,000 by the engineer, the Board tabled decision on same until next meeting. Mrs. Lockard made a motion to postpone the Board's decision until next meeting, Mr. Grunmeier seconded and motion was carried unanimously.

G. SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

1. Ordinance #84-3 - Declaration of Taking to Acquire Property Pursuant to Eminent Domain (Fairhill School Road Bridge). Mrs. Lockard made a motion to adopt Ordinance #84-3, seconded by Mr. Grunmeier and carried unanimously.

2. Corporation Hilltop - Drainage Easement - Cherry Drive: Mr. Carella, a resident of Cherry Drive, was present to discuss a drainage problem on Cherry Drive. As stated by Mr. Drake, Mr. Carella's deed does indicate a 20' wide drainage easement; Mr. Drake could find no record of acceptance of easement for drainage by the Township; therefore, the Township can do nothing since this easement was not dedicated to Hilltown Township. Regarding the problem of topsoil being washed off a neighbor's property and filling up the ditch on Mr. Carella's property, Mr. Wynn will contact Mr. Lonnie Manai of the Bucks County Soil Conservation District after obtaining property owner information. Mr. Wynn will report back to Mr. Carella after discussion of problem with Mr. Manai.

3. Godshall Subdivision - Resolution #84-27 - Mrs. Lockard made a motion to adopt Res. #84-27 (tendering Deed of Dedication for road widening of Upper Church Rd. and Broad Street); Mr. Grunmeier seconded and motion was carried unanimously.

H. PUBLIC COMMENT:

1. Samuel Pierce, Hava Farm, Silverdale - Mr. Pierce stated that plans and documentation have been delivered to the engineer for their review. Application for Penn DOT Highway Occupancy Permit will be taken care of this week as promised by PennDOT to Mr. Pierce.
2. Vernon Horn, New Britain, PA - In regard to the well testing at landfill in Blooming Glen, Mr. Horn informed the Board that he has decided to haul water to the Hatfield and Pennridge Sewer Plants. Due to legalities involved in making this change, Mr. Drake advised Mr. Horn that any revision to the abatement program must be approved

by other parties involved (i.e., DER and Haines and Kibblehouse). The Board directed Mr. Horn to meet with Mr. Wynn to discuss these proposed changes. Mr. Wynn also indicated that the analytical report on the last water samples was received at the Township today; Mr. Wynn will review same before the next meeting.

3. Mr. Wynn read Resolution #84-28, filing a formal protest with the Pennsylvania Public Utilities Commission in opposition to the proposed increase in street lighting rates. Mr. Grunmeier made a motion to adopt Res. #84-28, seconded by Mrs. Lockard and carried unanimously.

I. CORRESPONDENCE

1. Letter received from Alan S. Kindig, 1700 Mill Road, Perkasio - regarding problem with ditch because of farmer's erosion from field. Mr. Wynn will send reply letter to Mr. Kindig after contacting Soil Conservation District.
2. Falls Township - will be conducting an auction for sale of motor vehicles and construction equipment. Any surplus equipment the Township owns could be disposed of at this auction.
3. DCA - Road & Street Supervisors Training Course - one day Whitehall, PA Sept. 18, 1984; Fort Washington - Sept. 12th \$25 per person.
4. Letter received at meeting regarding newly created position of Hilltown Township Fire Marshall - signed by various fire chiefs. This letter will be reviewed by the Board.

J. SUPERVISOR'S COMMENTS

1. National Association of Township Supervisors - Seminar on hazardous wastes to be held in Washington, D.C. - September 5th through September 7th. Mrs. Lockard made a motion to approve attendance at this seminar by Mr. Wynn and Mr. Grunmeier, Mr. Pischl seconded with Mr. Grunmeier abstaining.
2. Mr. Pischl announced that the second police negotiation meeting was held on Tuesday, July 17, 1984. No details will be released until the contract has been signed (at the next Supervisor's Meeting).

There being no further business, a motion of adjournment was made by Mrs. Lockard, seconded by Mr. Grunmeier - adjournment at 8:52 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Gloria Neiman
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Secretary

Correction made to these minutes;
see minutes of 8/13/84.

Gloria Neiman
Secretary