

Hilltown Township Supervisor's Meeting.

April 25, 1983

The meeting was called to order by Chairman, Vincent Pischl, at 7:30 PM. The treasurer's report was read by Alice Munn and approved by Mary Lockard and seconded by Ed Wentz. The bills as presented in the amount of \$16,160.41 were approved for payment by Mary Lockard and seconded by Ed Wentz.

The minutes of the previous meeting were reviewed with the following comments: Regarding the Line Lexington Sewer Study, Bob Wynn reported that we received a letter of approval from Community Development for Hilltown funding on 4/22/83 and that he has an appointment with Robert Bender on 4/27/83. The project is approved to go ahead but no bills are to be paid until 6/1/83. Regarding the Washington Avenue sewer repair, Bob Wynn stated that a report to go along with the bill to the insurance company is being prepared. Regarding the trash collector on Sunday, he has not yet been contacted. There being no further comments or questions, the minutes were approved as written.

A motion was made by Mary Lockard and seconded by Ed Wentz to approve a minor subdivision of Howard Hockman subject to receipt of deed of dedication of Broad St. across front of lot #2.

On the Michael Corrado subdivision, a motion was made by Ed Wentz and seconded by Mary Lockard to approve the plan subject to submission of legal description of Seven Corner Road right-of-way and dedication of same and written verification of approval from BCHD for rural residence revision.

Bob Wynn reported that the Planning Commission asked the Board of Supervisors to set up a joint meeting between the Supervisors, Planning Commission and Parks & Recreation Board to discuss the Parks & Recreation final draft. The Supervisors decided to first send letters to Hilltown and Telford Water Authorities for input.

Bob Wynn reported that we are still waiting for results on the testing of the Quarry's wells. The quarry has planted trees along the landfill but not done according to plan. White pine trees have been planted in a straight line rather than staggered. Bob Wynn was asked to write the quarry a letter regarding this.

Bob Wynn reported on the Fairhill School Road Bridge that DER requested wingwall design which was submitted last week and that we are awaiting approval.

Bob Wynn reported that we should have a draft on the Act 537 study by next meeting.

Regarding the Holding Tank Ordinance, we are still awaiting review from Glen Stintson of DER.

The following bids accepted at our April 11, 1983 meeting were signed by the Supervisors: Fuel Oil & Gasoline - Farm & Home Oil Co., Oil & Use of Equipment - Loder & Sharp, Cold & Hot Patch - M & M Stone Company, and Stone - H & K Quarry.

Bob Wynn reported that he has a meeting regarding stop signs with Penn Dot on Thursday, 4/28/82.

Linens for the Theodore Landis subdivision were signed by the supervisors and Resolution 83-12 was adopted by Ed Wentz and seconded by Mary Lockard accepting the Deed of Dedication of Midway Road.



Bob Wynn informed the Board of a minor revision to McDonald's plan. They are proposing a Playland and will lose 18 parking spaces. They have an agreement to use the entire County Line Plaza parking lot - a 20 year lease, renewable every five years at their option. A motion was made by Ed Wentz and seconded by Mary Lockard to approve the plan subject to verification of this leasing agreement of which we have no copy at this time.

Jeff Drake requested a letter be sent to Telford Homes, Inc. regarding authorization for street name changes. Bob Wynn said the letter has already been sent.

A motion was made by Mary Lockard and seconded by Ed Wentz to contribute \$200.00 to Pennridge Meals on Wheels in response to a letter received from that organization.

A letter was received from the Pennridge Chamber of Commerce regarding a trip to Washington D.C. on May 12, 1983. No action taken at this time.

A letter was read by Ed Wentz that was received by Don Owens from the Penna. Commission on Crime and Delinquency stating that he has been selected to receive the Governor's Award for Volunteer Service to Pa. Crime Watch. He will be presented the award by Governor Thornburgh on Thursday, May 5th, 1983 at 9:30 AM at the Americana Host Inn in Harrisburg, when he officially proclaims Crime Prevention Week. He received a round of applause. Don remarked, "It's been a hard fight, but not finished yet. I'm more interested in Town Watch than getting my name in the paper. I'd like to thank the newspapers because they make Town Watch effective".

Chief Egly reported 11 felony arrests this month. We had a rash of burglaries in the Green Meadows section of the township. All subjects were apprehended with the help of Montgomery Township PD. We also had an arson and all subjects have been apprehended.

SPARC's represented by Jerry Cowan, spokesman, and others attended the meeting and showed a film about model airplane clubs of which SPARC's is one. They are a member of the Academy of Model Aeronautics, a non-profit organization with 90,000 members. The club has been flying on Mr. Sensinger's property for nine years and have done no serious damage to anyone's property. Mr. Sensinger was present and said they fly over his 75 acres for no cost only that of mowing the field. They have no free flight airplanes. They have rules not to fly over homes and only fly three airplanes at any given time. Chairman, Vincent Pischl, asked who polices the rules & regulations and was told by Mr. Cowan that they have a designated field marshall when they fly. SPARC's carries \$2,000,000.00 liability and property damage full coverage insurance. Jeff Drake asked for a copy of their insurance, which he received. Mr. Cowan said they have a DB Meter from Radio Shack and that their engines generate less than 90 decibels of noise measured 10 feet from the muffler.

Residents from the Meadow Drive area brought in a signed petition and were given a chance to voice their complaints. Mr. Jim Seward, 7 Meadow Drive was very concerned for his children's safety and says planes do definitely fly over his home and backyard. Mrs. Fabian, 17 Meadow Drive says he main complaint is the unbelievable noise every Saturday, Sunday, & holiday. As a taxpayer, she believes she has a right to some peace and quiet. Mr. Larry Wilson, 606 Quarry Road says the

planes are dangerous and no amount of insurance is meaningful if you are hit by one of these planes and they DO CRASH ... One crashed on Mr. Ray Clemmer's property 2 yrs. ago. Mr. Renshaw, 9 Meadow Drive said one almost hit him on the head about 2 yrs. ago. Mr. Raymond Goodfellow, 10 Meadow Drive, seen at least 7 accidents in the 7 years he lived there. An incident in 1976 where a plane almost hit Mr. Walter Rubel's wife, Rt. 113, was referred to. Chief Egly said he handled this incident and that no charges were pressed. Jeff Drake said the Supervisor's Minutes of 12-13-76 said the incident was resolved between Mr. Rubel and Mr. Jerry Cowan. The attending residents agreed that since this incident, no planes seem to fly over Rubel's property. Chairman, Vince Pischl, thanked both groups and told them that the Board will take it under legal advisement and inform them of any decisions that are made.

Dale Hartshorn, a former Supervisor of Hilltown Township, was present and spoke on the Point Pleasant Pumping Station issue. He encouraged all present to "Vote No to Say Yes". John Snyder, President of Line Lexington Fire Co., added that from a fireman's point of view - we need the pump.

Vince Pischl introduced Bob Burrage and Bob Grunmeier, two candidates for Hilltown Township Supervisor and announced that Candidate's Night is Tuesday, April 26, 1983 at Good Shepherd Church on Hilltown Pike.

Constable Reckner asked about weed control in the Township and said he has been getting calls. Chief Egly, former Constable, told him the constable is in charge of obnoxious weeds.

Constable Reckner inquired about his letter from the HELP organization. No one else in attendance received the letter yet.

A letter was received from Quakertown Police Dept. thanking Hilltown Police Dept. for their assistance in the apprehension of an auto theft suspect.

A letter was received from Gerald Smith, Youth Director for Pennridge Full Gospel Tabernacle asking for information on permission for a contemporary rock & drama group to perform in or on township property. No action taken.

Resident, Jacqueline Smith, 10 Woodlawn Drive had several comments. She asked if all the fire company boundaries are resolved. Bob Wynn said the boundaries are the same. She asked about HELP and Chief Egly explained the only one with this information is the Radio Room that dispatches the Police, Fire Co., or Ambulance. You just give them your number in an emergency. She commented on SPARCS that she can see both sides of the issue because she likes to fly model planes but would not like to live next to the noise. Mrs. Smith said they she wanted to thank the Hilltown Police for their fine job in the Marie Miller case.

Vince Pischl stated for the record that Hilltown Township had their road inspection on April 16, 1983 at 9:00 AM as planned.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Mary Lockard and seconded by Ed Wentz to adjourn the meeting at 9:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

*Alice Munn*  
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Official Family in attendance:

Vincent Pischl	Jeff Drake
Mary Lockard	Tom Buzby
Edward Wentz	Chief Egly
Robert Wynn	