

Hilltown Township Supervisors Meeting

November 24, 1980

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Vince Pischl. The treasurer's report was read by Mrs. Gutekunst and approved by Mary Lockard and **seconded** by Edward Wentz. The bills in the amount of \$13633.91 were approved for payment by Ed Wentz and seconded by Mary Lockard.

The minutes of the previous meeting were reviewed with the following comments: Question raised on the situation over at McDonald's and Clemens's Market- no new developments- so Mr. Wilson is to write them a letter that unless they can provide some solution to the problem, we will have to discontinue extensive police patrol because of the high cost of paying overtime to all the men to be on duty there. Mrs. Gutekunst mentioned also that some of the new signs the roadcrew has been installing have already been stolen. Question raised on the polluted wells- Mr. Wynn presented each supervisor with a copy of the report from Dennis Pennington. There also was a copy of a lengthy letter from Robert Young of DER written to Mr. Wilson given to each supervisor. Mr. Wynn said basically the both reports call for another test well to be installed and the question who is going to pay for this. Both reports indicate an abatement program and monitoring plan to clean up ground water. Since the report was just received at the meeting, Mr. Wilson requested that he review same and give a report at the next meeting.

Mr. Wynn reported on the Reliance Road drainage project that he had submitted a new cost to Community Development for approval. The new cost would be \$24,352.24.

Question raised on electrical inspections. Mr. Wynn advised he had told Bill Kee to get in touch with Mr. Wilson. To date he has not done so.

Last meeting bids were opened for a police car and a four wheel drive for police use. The low bids were accepted by the supervisors subject to review by the Chief of Police to verify all specs were met. He reported back that they were in order the low bids will stand- they being- Liverman Chevrolet- \$9223.00 for a Police 4 wheel drive vehicle and Quakertown Auto Sales- \$7613 for a Police Car-LTD.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as written.

The supervisors signed the subdivision plans of Mr. Shelevar. Stipulation for Kevin Carney was also signed by Mr. Pischl. Resolution 80-17 accepting the Deed of Dedication for Lydia Alexander was also signed by the supervisors.

Mr. Robert Lansberry, Attorney, representing Mr. Peter Houck, applicant for a subdivision of his property, asked the supervisors for an exception to the ruling of the Planning Commission. After a good bit of discussion, the subdivision was approved with the following stipulation- "As a condition precedent to the sale of Lot #1 or Lot #2, the present owner of Lots #1 and 2 must discontinue the service station use of the property." This notation must appear on the linens and final paper copies before they will be signed for recording.

The Geitz Machine Works revised plan re warehouse addition was rejected and Mr. Wynn is so to inform the developer stating reasons why said plan was rejected. Conditions of the engineer's letter of 10-10-80 have not been met. The main obstacle being they do not want to dedicate the right-of-way to the township.

Mr. Kevin Carney and his wife appeared before the supervisors to ascertain the usage of a property on 309 which they are considering buying. It was determined that the property is zoned planned commercial and his intended use would be permitted.

Mr. John Snyder of the Line Lexington Fire Co. reported that of the eleven returns their company had received in response to the questionnaire on wood-burning stoves that had been mailed out to all residents of Hilltown Township, seven were inspected satisfactorily, two wanted no inspection, and one is moving their stove and would like an inspection when this is completed. He also said that about 50% have smoke detectors in their homes. Question raised on a wood-burning stove ordinance. Mr. Wilson is working on this.

Resolution 80-14 changing the retirement age from 65 to age 62 amending resolution 73-4 was signed and adopted. Also the new agreement between the Supervisors of Hilltown Township and the Pennsylvania Municipal Retirement Board was approved by the supervisors.

On the funding of the new pension plans for the non-uniformed employees and the uniformed employees, it was decided to amortize the payments for the prior service of the uniformed employees and to pay the prior service of the non-uniformed employees in a lump sum.

The supervisors made a motion to participate in the Psats Unemployment Compensation Group Trust Fund as of January 1, 1980.

Mr. Wynn reported that the maintenance building addition is essentially complete with the exception of the gutter spouting and minor-touch-up. The final bill was presented with a 5% retainage which should cover these minor details.

Mrs. Gutekunst reported that all but Dublin Fire Co. has answered the letter of 10-30-80 asking for a delegate from each company to serve on a fire commission. Mrs. Gutekunst will call Dublin.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Dorothy Gutekunst