

Hilltown Township Supervisors Meeting

12-10-79

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Vincent Pischl. The treasurer's report was read by Mrs. Gutekunst and approved by Feryl Spaninger and seconded by Edward Wentz. The bills as presented in the amount of \$22099.51 were approved by Feryl Spaninger and seconded by Edward Wentz.

The minutes of the previous meeting were reviewed. Mr. Spaninger asked about the transfer of funds for our drainage problem at Centennial Ridge on Reliance Road. Mrs. Gutekunst reported that she had spoken to Mr. Swope of Community Development and he advised her to submit a letter requesting the transfer of the \$27,000.00 approved for 1980 for Blooming Glen area to the drainage fund of \$20,000.00. Have not heard anything more but have advised Cowan & Associates to contact Mr. Swope or Mr. Stein so that specs can be provided, Mr. Spaninger also asked about the Census which we have paid extra to have a street by street report. His question was whether this would supply us with the information needed. Mrs. Gutekunst felt it would but she suggested posters being placed at public places to make people aware of the importance of the census. The minutes were approved as written.

Mr. Leister of Cowan & Associates recommended to the supervisors that Tiffany Drive and the road widenings of Middle Rd. and Broad St. should be dedicated to the township as they are completed. Feryl Spaninger made the motion to have Mr. Wilson prepare the deeds of dedication and authorized the signing of same by the Chairman of the Board. Mr. Wentz seconded the motion. Mr. Wilson is to obtain a maintenance of no less than 20% of the total estimated escrow as the escrow fund will be depleted by outstanding bills. Traffic signs are needed and these were included in the escrow. There are also outstanding engineering bills.

Brief discussion held on Green Meadows not proceeding with developing sections 4 and 5. Since the construction of Washington Avenue and parts of Summit St. are included in these sections, Tom Buzby will have to go ahead and do some patching on Washington, in order to make it possible for snow-plowing, etc.

Question was raised on the progress of amending our Act 537 and an estimate was given of a public hearing either the end of January or the beginning of February.

Mr. Wentz, Mr. Pischl, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Grabowski and Mr. Kee met with Glenn Stinson of DER and Preston Lee of Tatman & Lee concerning the spray irrigation site for Brookfield Village. After a great deal of discussion, DER suggested that the township request or authorize that DER review the Land Planning Modules. This review would be advisory and would not commit the township to anything. Motion was made unanimously authorizing Mr. Wilson to submit request to DER, getting suggestions from Mr. Kee on content and also the Hilltown Township Sewer Authority should stop work on project until DER review is received. Copies of this letter and request should go to The Bucks County Planning Commission, Hilltown Township Planning Commission, Hilltown Township Sewer Authority, Bucks County Dept. of Health.

Mr. Paul Maynard, President of the Hilltown Township Civic Association read a statement of the Association pledging support to the recently adopted ordinance creating a Recreation Board of the township. Also, he had a list of interested parties who would be interested in serving on the board. He said he will present both the statement and the list of names to the township. The members to the board will be chosen in January, 1980.

A hearing was held prior to the adoption of the budget for any written or oral comments on the proposed Federal Revenue Budget. There being none, the federal revenue budget of \$87,300.00 was adopted for the year, 1980. After a few minor changes to the working budget, the following budget was adopted for the year, 1980: General Funds- \$570,742.51, State Funds- \$87,010.00, and Federal Revenue Sharing Funds- \$87,300.00 for a total overall budget of \$745,052.51.

This meeting being the last one of the year, Mr. Wentz and Mr. Pischl both commended Feryl Spaninger for his devotion to the township by serving the last six years as a supervisor and previously serving both on the Planning Commission and the Zoning Hearing Board. This commendation was echoed by all present with a round of applause.

Mr. Burrage also commended both Mr. Walter Rubel, who recently resigned from the Planning Commission and Mr. Stephen Hulshizer who is resigning at the end of 1979, for their years of service to the township. Suggestion was made to have placques prepared for future presentation to these gentlemen.

This being Mr. Spaninger's last meeting, he took the honor of adjourning the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

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