

## Hilltown Township Supervisors' Meeting

March 12, 1979

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Vincent Pischl. The treasurer's report was read by Mrs. Gutekunst and approved by Feryl Spanninger and seconded by Ed Wentz. The bills as presented were approved for payment by Ed Wentz and seconded by Feryl Spanninger.

The minutes of the previous meeting were reviewed with the following comments: Question raised whether any correspondence had gone out on the supervisors position on the Brookfield Village Spray Irrigation- Mr. Wilson wrote a letter to Mr. George Bush stating our position and also to Mr. Beechwood of DER. Report received from both Chief Boose and Mr. Hoot on the bids received at the last meeting. After reviewing same, the contract for the 1979 Police Vehicle was awarded to J. Arnold Ford of Ambler and the contract for the 4 wheel drive type vehicle was awarded to Neely Ford who was the lowest bidder who supplied all the specs as requested. Minutes approved.

Resolution 79-4 changing the name from the Township Civil Defence Agency to the Township Emergency Management Agency was signed by the supervisors. Resolution 79-2 authorizing the township of Hilltown to enter into and participate in Cooperative Purchasing Program with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania was also signed by the supervisors.

Mr. Kee of Cowan & Associates talked to the supervisors about a proposed sewer extension on Schoolhouse Road. A Mr. Clemens has requested the extension for his lot but this would require the possibility of other residents connecting into the system also. None of the other property owners along the line of proposal want to have the public sewer. The supervisors said if there would be some way there could be an exemption for Mr. Schaeffer who would be the only other property owner involved in Phase 1 of the extension, they could approve it. Mr. McFarland of Wilson & Associates will research same and report back.

A representative of K.&P. Management, owners of the Hilltown Shopping Plaza, representative of Acme Markets, and a representative of Carroll Engineering Firm presented their request for a traffic light at the entrance to the Shopping Plaza. Chief Boose felt a light would cause more problems than it would help and Mr. Westlake, our engineer, who had already reviewed the drawings of the location, etc. of the light questioned its placement and the detriment it could possibly be to other merchants on the opposite side of 113. After much discussion, a meeting is to be arranged between a representative from Penn-Dot, our Chief of Police, representative from the shopping center and our engineer. Chief Boose will set up the meeting.

Mr. Steve Hulshizer, representing the North Ridge Bible Chapel, presented revised plans for the site development plan for the construction of their church. The revised plan showed different paved parking spaces, new paved additions, no. of seats original construction, and no. of seats with future construction. The revised plan also shows a 25 foot buffer across the rear of the property. After discussion with the supervisors and our engineer, the plan was approved.

In the absence of Mr. Leister, Mr. Westlake reported that on Green Meadows we are now waiting for revised plans and now that the weather is improving the widening and curbing on Schoolhouse Road should be completed- the drainage is finished. Mr. Westlake also spoke about the bridge inspections which are being required and he said as far as getting any of the federal funds, there are certain criteria which must be met. He and our road superintendent will get together Wed. morning, March 14th and ascertain if we have any really critical bridges which will qualify for the federal grants. Mrs. Gutekunst reported she had a letter stating that each county will receive a portion of the federal funds and the municipal funds will be distributed on a first come, first served basis.

The bids were then opened for stone, oil, cold and hot patch and a truck. Since only one bid was received in each category, the bids were awarded as follows: Stone bid to H. & K. Materials, Cold and Hot Patch to Blooming Glen Quarry, Oil to Loder and Sharp, and the dump truck to Paul W. Histan of Doylestown, Pa. No bids received on fuel oil and gasoline. Motion made by Feryl Spaninger and unanimously approved to accept all bids.

Mrs. Gutekunst read a letter from Mr. Jack Koenig Director the Pennridge School Summer Recreation Program asking us again to pay the salary of the instructor on duty at the schools located in Hilltown Township- total cost usually is between \$300 and \$350. Motion made to again do this.

A notice was also received from Bureau of Surplus Property in Harrisburg that beginning March 19th, there will be a 50% discount sale. Since, our maintenance department is in need of tools, it was suggested Mrs. Gutekunst try and get a list of what is available to see if it would <sup>pay</sup> to drive out to Harrisburg for this sale.

There will be a District's Municipal Services seminar on Wednesday, April 11th for updating proper municipal services procedures and construction methods. Mrs. Gutekunst and Mr. Buzby will attend this seminar.

Local Government Conference Day at the Farm Show In Harrisburg will be on March 30th. Mrs. Gutekunst is to present this again at the next meeting to see if anyone can attend.

The two contracts with the Bucks County Planning Commission were signed - 1. the Sewage Facilities Plan Study and 2. general planning assistance contract.

Mrs. Gutekunst read the Zoning Officer's report for February- \$413.50 collected in fees and permits.

Date for road inspection will be set up at the next regular meeting of the supervisors.

Mr. Thomas, one of the auditors, had requested a detailed report of all cases in litigation at this time on behalf of Hilltown Township by Wilson & Associates. Mrs. Gutekunst is to make a copy of this report for each supervisor. Mr. Spaninger questioned the legality of this request.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

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