

Hilltown Township Supervisors Meeting

December 28, 1977

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

The proposed budget was reviewed and a final budget of \$499,423.45 was adopted for the year, 1978. Motion to adopt same was made by Vincent Pischl and seconded by Ed Wentz. A motion was made by Vince Pischl and seconded by Ed Wentz to reduce the mills from 4 to 3 on real estate for the year, 1978. Unanimously approved.

The contract to codify our ordinances for the sum of \$3,480.00 was approved and signed. This work will be done by the Local Government Research Corporation of State College, Pa.

The minutes of the previous meeting were reviewed with the following comments: 1. On the Drainage problem on Broad St. involving the Rickerts and the Village Development, Dave McFarland of Charles Wilson & Assoc. reported that a meeting had been held by Mr. Wilson and Mr. Leister on Dec. 19th and that Mr. Leister is to report in letter the size of the swale needed, etc. 2. Mr. Wentz will contact Mr. Leister on the drainage problem at the Ski and Dive Shop and report at the next regular meeting. 3. Mrs. Gutekunst is to contact Mr. Murphy about the growth of crops which obstruct the view at the intersecting of Broad St. and Hilltown Pike. 4. Mr. Wentz reported that the next meeting of the advisory council for the 201 Facilities Planning Study will be held on January 11, 1978 and both he and Vince Pischl will attend. Minutes were approved by Ed Wentz and seconded by Vince Pischl.

Mr. Spanninger discussed briefly the meeting that all the supervisors attended in Doylestown last Tuesday afternoon as regards our submission of projects to the Community Development Funding Committee. Contrary to newspaper reports, our project for storm sewer extensions in the Blooming Glen area has been approved by the committee and there is a possibility that the historic site preservation project may be approved. The Line Lexington Fire Co project and the Civic Association project were rejected. In case the Historic Site preservation project would not qualify, we can still submit other projects in the next two years.

The minutes of the Planning Commission were reviewed and the linens for the subdivision of Arthur and J. Richard Fretz were signed by the supervisors. Mrs. Gutekunst was asked to call George Spotts on the review given by the county to the Sharon Burkhalter plan. Supervisors feel this plan should be approved. Approval was given to renewing the Planning Assistance Contract with the County Planning Commission for the year, 1978.

Letter was received from the Office of Manpower about hiring under this program. Letter stated we would be contacted about a workshop to be held early in January. Waiting for this contact.

Volunteer Medical Corps discussion tabled until next meeting when Mr. Wilson will be present.

The contract for 1978 between the Township of Hilltown and the Hilltown Police Department was signed by the supervisors, having been signed by the police earlier. Also, a resolution prescribing rules and regulations for the Police Dept. of Hilltown Township was signed by the Chairman of the Board.

No reply received as yet to the letter to Chief Boose from Charles Wilson on how to handle the fines, etc to enforce the "No Parking" on Reliance Road.

Mrs. Gutekunst reported that denial was received from the Department of Transportation for a traffic light at the intersection of Diamond Street and Route 113. Also a denial was received to the request for "NO TURN ON RED" signs at the intersection of Route 113 and County Line Road. Mrs. Gutekunst will contact the Department of Transportation if larger warning signs could be put on Diamond St.

Mrs. Gutekunst reported that a letter had been written to Mr. Robert Carter by James Leister, our engineer, instructing him on the widening improvement needed as they affect the lands of Nemic. All work to be completed by May 1, 1978.

Periodically we receive progress reports on the Sanitary Sewer System, Contract #1, and as of the week ending Dec. 23, 1977, 33% of main sewer has been installed, 25% of laterals, and 39% of manholes.

Mr. John Shade, Director of the Pearl Buck Foundation, was at the meeting and wanted to go on record that the foundation does not want the controversial extension of Forrest Road changed from a private road to a public road.

Mr. Snyder and Mr. Darde of the Line Lexington Fire Co. were at the meeting to discuss any possible ways they could obtain help from the township as they are having difficulty financially and space wise. Matter will be discussed at the next meeting.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Dorothy Gutekunst
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Mr. John Dillon of 23 Summit St. Telford was in attendance at the meeting to inquire as to the possibility of Telford extending their sewer lines into Hilltown Township. Mr. Wentz took the agreement Hilltown Township has with Telford Boro to see if anything could be done.