

Hilltown Township Supervisors Meeting

December 8, 1975

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Dale Hartshorne. The treasurer's report was read by Mrs. Gutekunst and approved by Paul Frankenfield and seconded by Feryl Spanninger. The bills as presented were approved for payment by Paul Frankenfield and seconded by Feryl Spanninger. The minutes of the last meeting were reviewed with the following comments and corrections: Mr. Hartshorne had been contacted by Bob Swope of Community Development not Steve Stine, Mr. Jim Thomas had been into the meeting on November 24th in regards to recreation land purchases and what the supervisors intended to do in this field. He was of the opinion that one large area should be purchased and developed instead of purchasing numerous sites for development for recreation.

Mrs. Gutekunst was asked to send a copy of the public meeting notice received from Silverdale Borough to the Sewer Auth.

The supervisors reaffirmed their position on not participating in funding the expansion of the Hatfield Township Sewer Plant. However, Mr. Hartshorne will attend a meeting on December 18th and explain again our thinking that we would not be against their extending their lines and picking up customers in the Line Lexington area.

Mr. Hartshorne had received a letter from Mrs. Hughes of the Pennridge Citizens' Advisory Board requesting information on a recreation program for the area. He will draft a reply to her and mail it with the approval of the other supervisors.

Mrs. Gutekunst read a letter from the actuary for our Police Pension Fund advising us that the plan is sound without any police contributions.

A letter was received from Mr. Petersen, of the Trust Dept. of Bucks County Bank and Trust Co. advising that Sellersville had overpaid their portion of the share of the costs to the Pennridge Wastewater Treatment Authority and \$9,725.00 had to be refunded to Sellersville Borough.

Mrs. Gutekunst announced a training course on Building and Housing Procedures for Code Enforcement Officials will be held at King of Prussia on January 13, 1975. Permission given by the supervisors for Mr. Heidrich and Mrs. Gutekunst to attend.

Mr. Robert Carter does not feel he should pay any of the costs incurred in regards to his property on Broad St. as far as drawing up an agreement on the grant of easement or any other costs. Mr. Wilson is pursuing this matter.

Mr. Hartshorne discussed the matter of the supervisors scheduling a public meeting on the Hilltown Comprehensive Plan. Mr. Gubelman had comments to the effect that he did not think much of the plan and he felt new zoning ordinances and subdivision regulations should be forthcoming pronto. He was told that this would be sometime in 1976.

No new report has been received on the well pollution situation.

Mr. Pat Kelly was into the meeting and reported that on last Friday, December 5th, his pet dog, a Bichon, had been shot by a 22 rifle. Chief Boose asked that an ordinance could be adopted restricting the discharging of firearms in the township. Mr. Wilson will work on same. There have been other incidents in the township where shots have been fired into homes, luckily, so far no person has been injured.

The budget for 1976 was approved for inspection by the public until December 29, 1975 when it will be formally adopted. Mrs. Gutekunst will advertise same in the Dec. 10th issue of the News-Herald. Total of the tentative budget is \$464,991.65. No increase in the tax millage this year because of the repayment by the Sewer Authority of \$75,00.00 which had been spent out of General Funds the last few years for Sewer Project. Mr. Spanninger and the other supervisors felt an increase may be needed for the year 1977.

Respectfully submitted,

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