

Hilltown Township Supervisors Meeting

February 24, 1975

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Dale Hartshorne. The treasurer's report was read by Mrs. Gutekunst and approved by Feryl Spanninger and seconded by Paul Frankenfield. The bills as presented were approved for payment by Feryl Spanninger and seconded by Paul Frankenfield.

Mr. Wilson presented resolution #75-1 re: forming of a sewer authority. This was adopted with slight changes in wording. The Articles of Corporation were presented and the notice of publication. This will be published in the paper March 5th and 6th. The five members appointed to the sewer authority were given the following terms of office: H. Franklin Rice- 5 years, William Beals- 4 years, Harry Maurer-3 years, Alfred Parisi- 2 years, and Earl Strouse-1 year. It was felt that the authority should also be given the power to sell and this will be put into the agreement. Mr. Wm. Kee reported in from a meeting on the sewer in Perkasie and after a brief discussion, it was decided to have Mrs. Gutekunst contact the five newly appointed men to the sewer authority and arrange a briefing meeting for them with the engineer and the supervisors on March 6th at 7:30 P.M. One thing mentioned by Mr. Kee was the transfer date of June 2nd is being strived for from Perkasie to Pennridge Authority.

Mr. Dan Bailey of the Pearl Buck Foundation was present and gave a short talk on the moving of the operation to Hilltown Township. One question asked of him was the availability of the swimming pool and other recreational facilities which previously had been available to people of Hilltown through the Lippincotts and Pearl Buck. He said he would present this possibility to the board after his return from his trip to the far east.

Mrs. Regina Finlayson had an inquiry as to where she could obtain a mercantile license. Mrs. Gutekunst will pursue this matter and report back to her as soon as possible.

The supervisors signed the subdivision plans of George Dresing of Keystone Drive. The subdivision plans of Ben Scholl were also signed by the supervisors.

Mr. Pat Kelly brought in his linens but no report has been received from Victor Jaczun on these plans which were given to him to review because of the problems with Charles Mager.

The plans for Green Meadows, Phase 11 were not signed by the supervisors because the changes requested to be made on the plans at the previous meeting of the supervisors were not made.

A representative for the Harold Detwiler subdivision plan came to the meeting asking whether curbing would have to be built along the lots being subdivided. After studying the plans, it was decided that no curbing would be required.

Mrs. Gutekunst reported that the Democratic Committee had called and requested the use of the Municipal Building on March 4th for a democratic caucus. Permission granted.

A representative from the County Office which handles the Community Development Project will be present at our March 24th meeting to brief us on the proper usage and application for our share of the Community Development Funds.

Mrs. Gutekunst gave the highlights from the Police Report for January.

A letter from Mr. Hartzell, Attorney for the McKrosch corporation, to Mr. Wilson, was read indicating that the petitioners would like an additional hearing on their petition at the regular supervisor meeting of March 10, 1975. Mr. Keating and Mr. Hartzell will be present to give additional testimony at this time.

A letter from Mr. Wilson to Mr. John Knox and Mr. Graboyce re: Amendment to Letter of Credit, Green Meadows Development Corporation was read. As soon as the mud is cleaned off of Reliance Road, the curbing straightened and properly placed, and

the extension of the culvert completed, the supervisors will be willing to discuss further, the amendment to the letter of credit.

A letter from Mr. Wilson to Mr. James Miller re: Surface Mining and Mine Drainage- Application for Permit Application No. 7974SM5, H. & K. Materials, Inc. Skunk Hollow Road, Chalfont, Pa. was read. Awaiting a reply from Mr. Miller as of this date.

A letter from James Leister to the Board of Supervisors re: State Police Substation, Rickerts Road was read. A revision has been made in the original plans so that essentially half the site development will be collected and drained to Rickert Road and be directed in a northerly direction toward Route 313. The southern half of the tract will drain towards Rickert Road and proceed southerly towards Hilltown Township.

Mrs. Gutekunst reported that the audit report of the Liquid Fuels Tax Fund for the period January 1, 1973 to December 31, 1973 has been received.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Dorothy Gutekunst
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Secretary-Treasurer

Mrs. Gutekunst reported no information received relative to the township collecting escrow deposits for the depositing of same. This information was furnished by Mr. Charles Conner of the Department of Community Affairs. Their opinion was that anytime you hold money as securities for someone else's action, the interest earned is presumed to belong to the person who put it up for security. The master should not be confused with escrow funds. Mr. Wilson will write letters to the two parties who at this time have money deposited with the township for escrow.

Mrs. Gutekunst was instructed to write letters to the Captain of the Police Department, Green Meadow Development, and Joel Baum development asking them to switch their signs to all their private roads where they come onto main roads. These signs should be the official type and not home made ones.

A letter from Dr. Jim Clegg of the Bucks County Board of Health was read advising that he will be present at the March 10 meeting of the Hilltown Planning Commission to explain the new procedures set forth in the recent change in the Pennsylvania Health Facilities. He will advise the members of the planning commission along with the supervisor to a person if possible.

Mrs. Gutekunst read a memo from Mr. Kotager, Public Defender, relative to Act 567 which law becomes effective April 10, 1976. This new law requires that anyone that has signed a will, execute and record this information in the Register of Deeds office.

A letter from Richard Clegg & Associates to Mr. Wilson re: Green Meadow, Jointly By Contract Agreement was read.

A motion unanimously adopted by the members of the Hilltown Basin Management Committee, Inc., was read at the meeting on February 20, 1975 reads as follows:

"The Commissioners go on record that in favoring the immediate construction of the Hilltop-Bell Brook Reservoir Project, they say, and that the Chairman is authorized to inform the proper officials at Penna. Dept. of Environmental Resources and the United Protection Agency."