

HILLTOWN TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS

Minutes- January 20, 1975

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Dale Hartshorne. The treasurer's report, dated January 13th was read and approved by Feryl Spaninger and seconded by Paul Frankenfield. The bills as presented were approved for payment by Paul Frankenfield and seconded by Feryl Spaninger.

Since there have been quite a large amount of engineering costs on the reconstruction of Reliance Road, Mrs. Gutekunst was instructed to add these costs on to the Morello costs when making out the bills for the Telford Borough portion.

Mr. Heidrich presented his yearly report on building permits issued in 1974. There were 129 permits issued with a value of \$3,642,721.00. Compared to 1973, the total value was down about \$800,000.00.

Mr. Hartshorne announced that our next regular meeting scheduled for January 27th will have the Hilltown Civic Assoc. in attendance. Mr. Frankenfield was asked to prepare a short report on the road work done in 1974 and Mrs. Gutekunst was asked to prepare a short report on the expenditures, etc of 1974.

The decision on the McKrosh Hearing held on January 16th will be discussed after the adjournment of the regular meeting.

Mr. Hartshorne also asked that the supervisors think about candidates for the sewer authority and planning commission.

Mr. Hartshorne also asked the supervisors to support the Dublin Borough Council in their search for a new location for the Dublin Postoffice and/or delivery of the mail. The present location presents quite a traffic problem and many of the Hilltown residents get involved in this particular phase. A motion to support this effort was passed.

Note was also made that on February 24th, 10 A.M. a PUC hearing on Carson Helicopters, Inc. will be held in the Hilltown Township Municipal Building.

Mrs. Gutekunst read the December report of the Zoning Officer, noting \$1828.00 was collected in permit fees.

The Silverdale Fire Co. yearly report was read noting that out of 33 alarms answered, 24 were in Hilltown Township.

Mrs. Gutekunst read a notice received from Francis Grabowski re: Act No. 272 and Act No 292. Act No 272 amends the Pa. Municipalities Planning Code, Section 908, by providing that notice of hearing shall be posted on the affected land. This Act becomes effective Feb. 10, 1975. Mr. Heidrich was instructed to follow through on this matter. Act No 292 provides that every municipality may, by passage of an ordinance, in any year expend Federal general revenue sharing or general funds for social service programs for the poor, the disabled and the aging.

Letters re: Green Meadows were read. One letter from John Knox, solicitor for Telford Borough Authority to James Leister asking for a \$5000.00 maintenance bond or maintenance fund out of the escrow fund for the proper maintenance of the water and sewer lines for a period of one year, another letter from James Leister to Mr. Wilson about this request and Mr. Wilson's reply to Mr. Leister on same subject. Mr. Leister feels there is sufficient money in escrow to meet this request. A letter dated January 9th from James Leister to the Hilltown Township Supervisors re: the accumulation of debris along the Reliance Road widening and large accumulations of mud was read.

A letter from Peter Noll to Mr. Robert Sekella re: Well Water Quality, Hilltown Township was perused by Mr. Dale Hartshorne. Mr. Heidrich reported that further information will be forthcoming in the near future.

A letter from James Leister to Russ Morello re: Reliance Road was read. Plugged sewer lines were evidenced during a heavy rain and inspection of lines indicated large pieces of macadam within the lines causing blockage. This macadam is a direct result of work that was done on Reliance Road and Mr. Hoishik, Telford Borough Manager has requested a reimbursement due to this carelessness.

Letters concerning the medial barrier curb, etc on

Route 313 at the Hilltown Plaza Shopping Center were read. These letters indicated that the widening of the road has been completed but because of cold weather other changes will have to wait for improvement in the weather.

A letter from Mr. Wilson to John Lama, Loan Officer, Chase Manhattan Bank re: Hilltown Shopping Center was read. On December 24th development agreement and escrow agreement were sent for the necessary signatures and to date no replies have been received.

A letter from James Leister to the Hilltown Supervisors re: Clearview Estates was read. A request for release of monies to pay a contractor's bill from escrow which would reduce balance of escrow way below the 20% usually required until the expiration of one year from the completion of all required improvements was denied by the supervisors.

A request was also received from Mr. J. Richard Fretz for release or refund of a portion of the \$1450.00 deposit made by him in May of 1973 for a 40 lot subdivision as he now has changed same subdivision to a 4 lot subdivision. Mrs. Gutekunst was asked to contact the County Planning Commission to see what procedures they follow in like cases. The supervisors signed the 4 lot plan, each portion being over ten acres.

Mrs. Gutekunst reported that Richard S. Cowan & Associates have added the full-time services of an expert in traffic engineering, Robert H. Pearson.

Letters from Francis Grabowski to Charles Wilson and Mr. Wilson's reply to Mr. Grabowski re: zoning hearing board procedures were read.

A letter from Mr. Wilson to the supervisors was discussed. A letter had been received by Mr. Wilson from Mr. Henry Fluck, Director of Construction, State Police Barracks-Dublin Borough-Hilltown Township stating a meeting would be held early in January and the township's concern about the 42" reinforced concrete pipe which terminates into a culvert at the outlet end of the pipe, and that it will damage citizens' and Township properties by virtue of erosion would be discussed and we will be notify of this discussion and their recommendations. Mr. Leister has been instructed to write a letter to them asking for permission to have our engineer and Mr. Frankenfield present at this meeting. Mrs. Gutekunst was instructed to have Mr. Leister send copies of this letter to Marvin Weidner and Senator Howard.

On the basis of legislature that overtime has to be paid on time worked over 40 hours a week by township employees, excluding the police force, Mrs. Gutekunst was instructed to pay back overtime owed. This law became effective May 1, 1974.

A petition was presented by a group of citizens from the Blooming Glen area asking that the gym in the police building be opened for use by the children of the area. It was explained that plans are in the making to enlarge and renovate this part of the building for necessary use by the enlarged police force. Suggestions were made that perhaps the gym in the Margaret Seyler School could be obtained. They were told to contact a member of the advisory board to the school board and present their request. Also to enlist the help of the Hilltown Civic Association. Mrs. GARIS was the spokesman for the group. Mrs. Collins of Blooming Glen asked to have the street light tax explained to her.

A motion to adjourn was made by Feryl Spaninger and seconded by Paul Frankenfield.

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary-Treasurer