

Hilltown Township Supervisors' Meeting

September 9, 1974

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Paul Frankenfield who in turn introduced all official personnel present.

One correction was made to the minutes of the previous meeting inserting the phrase "and storm drainage improvements" in the escrow agreement to be drawn up for Ten-Up Corp. The treasurer's report was read and approved by Dale Hartshorne and seconded by Feryl Spanniger. The bills as presented were approved for payment by Feryl Spanniger and seconded by Dale Hartshorne.

The report of the zoning officer, Arthur Heidrich, for the month of August was read by the secretary reporting \$739.00 collected for permits, etc.

A letter from Ahrens-Tague Corp. re: Centennial Ridge Escrow Fund was read. They requested all escrow be released except \$4500.00 which would cover two jobs still to be done. Mrs. Gutekunst is to sign said release when forwarded by our engineers.

A notice of a meeting to be held Sept. 10th at 8 P.M. by the Management Commission, Sub-Region 1, Upper Neshaminy Basin in Lansdale Borough Hall was read.

The Fire Hydrant Assessment list from our engineers was perused. Mrs. Gutekunst was instructed to call Mr. Moyer, the tax collector to delete the Line Lexington Fire Co. and the Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses from the listing.

Communication was received from the Bucks County Commissioner's Office recommending that the load limit on Bridge #244, Quarry Road be reduced from ten tons to eight tons. The county will change the signs and Chief Boose will see that this change is enforced.

A notice was received from Mr. John Carson changing the date of the Wastewater Management Plan meeting from Sept. 12th to October 3rd. Dale Hartshorne will attend.

A notice was received from the Bucks County Planning Commission in conjunction with the Montgomery Planning Commission of a meeting on Sept. 19th of the Advisory Committee to the East Branch Perkiomen Watershed Study.

Mrs. Gutekunst reported that five letters were sent out to contractors by Richard S. Cowan & Assoc. for bids on the Reliance Road construction. Bids will be opened at a special meeting of the Supervisors on September 16th at the Township building.

A letter from Charles Wilson to James Leister concerning the agreement to be drawn up between Centennial Ridge, Green Meadows, Telford Boro, and Hilltown Township on sharing the costs of reconstructing Reliance Road was read. A letter from Francis Grabowski to Charles Wilson re: Horn vs Hilltown Township was read noting that this matter has not come before the court as yet and probably will not for another month. A letter from Mr. Wilson to Mr. Dean B. Stewart Jr., new attorney for Paul and Rose Melnizek who were involved in an auto accident on July 7th was read.

Mr. Wilson reported that Lawrence Grim, Jr. will attend the P.U.C. hearing on Monday, Sept. 30th re: Seidel Water Co. Application-Silverdale Borough. He in turn will report back to Mr. Wilson. A letter to J. Lawrence Grim from Mr. Wilson re: Hilltown-Silverdale Sewer Agreement was read. No report received.

Mrs. Gutekunst reported communication received on the infestation of Gypsy Moth in Bucks County. Information will be kept on file in case any information is needed by citizens of our township.

A motion was made by Dale Hartshorne and seconded by Paul Frankenfield to add section 8A to our existing ordinance 70-1 on move in-move out permits. Section 8A reads as follows:

"Information on occupants of premises required-It shall be the duty of all owners of real estate and for their daily authorized real estate agent or agents caring for real property

in Hilltown Township, and of every subsequent purchaser, devisee, Person, association or corporation acquiring title in any manner whatsoever to any real property in Hilltown Township, to furnish to the Chief of Police of Hilltown Township the name, address, date of birth, and employer of any and all persons eighteen (18) years of age or older living, occupying or dwelling in or upon such real property so owned or so leased. This notice shall be given in writing within fifteen (15) days of any such person or persons moving into Hilltown Township".

A report was received from the Controller, County of Bucks, showing schedule of amounts remitted to Hilltown Township from the office of the District Justice, J. Robert Hunsicker.

A letter from the campaign manager for George Fred Morris asking to put up campaign posters on utility poles in Hilltown Township was read. Permission denied.

A notice was received of a public hearing by the Hilltown Township Zoning Board on Sept. 16th for McKrosh Corp.

Copies of the minutes of the meeting between Hilltown Township supervisors and the Silverdale Borough Councilmen were distributed to all supervisors and Charles Wilson.

Dale Hartshorne expressed concern over our Planned Commercial areas. He recommended that area fire chiefs be contacted when new buildings are being erected to accompany Mr. Heidrich on inspections.

Projecting into the future, Dale Hartshorne questioned procedures which would be used when we would be paving Schwenk Mill Road. Would properties be condemned in order to correct direction of the road? Properties involved would be Harris and Wenger. 18' cartway felt wide enough by Paul Frankenfield.

John and Betty Konyk were present at the meeting registering a complaint about the remedial strip on Route 113 at the Jamesway store. Mr. Jerry Taylor of Penn Dot was also present. After much discussion, it was decided by the supervisors with the agreement of all interested parties to ask the state to remove the remedial strip and to restore the highway as closely as possible to its former condition with possibly an addition of a deacceleration lane. Mr. Taylor, Chief Boose and Paul Frankenfield will meet at the site tomorrow, Sept. 10th. at 1 P.M.

Question was raised by Mr. Heidrich on the poor visability at the intersection of Route 113 and Callowhill Road, due to the excessive growth of bushes at this corner. Chief Boose will contact Mario Galli to see if anything can be done.

Rod Grass of Blooming Glen Quarry was at the meeting and asked permission to erect two 4' by 9' school bus shelters for the children. They would be erected on Blooming Glen Quarry property. Concern was expressed about advertising on these structures and Mr. Grass they would only read compliments of Blooming Glen Quarry. Dale Hartshorne suggested he have sketches made showing the exact location, size of lettering, etc. and present them to the Planning Commission.

Copies of Flood Hazard Bounday maps prepared by the Federal Insurance Administration were distributed. The map only includes the Morris Run Creek Area. Mrs. Gutekunst was instructed to write to them about maps for other territories in the township. However, on further checking, found no other data available.

Mr. Charles Strouse of Twinbrook Road, Mr. Robert Wyllie of State Road, and Robert Sekella of Twinbrook Road presented possible water pollution problems in their wells. Mr. Strouse has had many tests done over the past two years and has been trying to work with the Dept. of Health and getting nowhere. Mr. Sekella had a jug of the discolored and oderous water with him. After lengthy discussion, Dale Hartshorne said he would contact the Board of Health and have the matter thoroughly investigated. The feeling was generated that a possible cause might be the old landfilled quarry. No decision possible on this assumption.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Dorothy Gutekunst
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