

Minutes
Hilltown Township Supervisors
March 4, 1974

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Paul Frankenfield. As each supervisor had read the minutes of the previous meeting beforehand, a motion was made by Dale Hartshorne and seconded by Paul Frankenfield to accept the minutes. Feryl Spaninger noted that a copy of the minutes was posted on the wall in the meeting room for anyone's perusal. The treasurer's report was read and approved, noting the fact that \$30,000 in treasury bills are due 3/7/74 and \$10,000 in treasury bills due 4/25/74 in the Federal Revenue Sharing Account. Feryl reported that he rolled over \$25,000 for ninety days.

A notice was received from the state of our 1974 allocation of \$64,634.14. Supervisors signed form 966, showing distribution of these monies, which is due in the district office.

The bills to be paid were presented and approved for for payment by Dale Hartshorne and seconded by Paul Frankenfield.

The meeting re: Seidel Water Co. was set up for April 18th, 7:30 P.M. at the township building.

Mr. Wilson reported that Green Meadows called and advised they had mailed their check for engineering fees billed to date.

The supervisors verified the date of March 9th, 9:00 A. M. to meet at the Township building and go out on inspection tour of available properties for recreational use.

Mr. Wilson presented plans and aerial photos of the Wm. Boyd junkyard. He is to be limited to the area as of 1971- he is to tighten up his natural fencing- no stacking of cars- no burning and he is to keep within 15' of boundary.

Mr. Fred Patton, Ralph Powers and Sanual Barndt presented complaints against the Keystone Drive junkyard claiming stacking of cars, burning, noise, etc. Chief Boose and Mr. Heidrich will go out and inspect same.

The Supervisors signed the sub-division plans of John Garges(Mamie Garges Estate).

A letter from Mr. Alfred Boyko was read complaining of shooting in the township, abandoned cars, and noise at the junkyard. A letter will be sent to him thanking him for his letter and inviting him to attend the supervisors' meetings.

Mr. Michael Caine reported an abandoned car on the property next to his and on Philale property near the tension lines. Chief Boose reported that a warrant is out for the man who abandoned car on property next to Mr. Caine's property and Phila. Electric will remove car on their property.

A letter from the Commonwealth of Pa. Dept. of Transportation was read relative to excess rail service. A hearing will be held in Philadelphia, March 11th at the U.S. Customs House.

A letter to Sue Lang, attorney for Mr. Mager from Mr. Wilson relative to work we would like to do on his property had not been answered as yet.

Three petitions from residents of Skunk Hollow Road were read. In the absence of Mr. Ostroff, representative for the residents, Mr. Gary Grace was present. He informed the supervisors that the residents have formed a New Britain-Hilltown Township Citizens Committee and have obtained legal counsel.

A letter was read from the Pennridge School District thanking the township for installation of a light at the Margaret Seyler School.

A notice was received From Frank Grabowski relative to the Zoning Hearings to be held for Elton Lindsay and Henry Kaminski on March 11th, 7:30 P.M.

A notice was received from the U.S. Treasury Dept. giving us their figures on which they will allocate 1974 funds. If we differ with their figures, we should correct same and return.

A request from Kennilworth Association to increase the value of the Jamesway Plaza from one and a half million to two and a half million was approved by the supervisors subject to approval by our engineers, Richard Cowan Associates.

A letter from Mr. Wilson to Jackson Roberts, Realtors was read stating that the supervisors would like to require a performance bond to see that waste is taken care of.

The Fire Hydrant Tax Assessment will be billed for only one year.

Mr. Joel Benner will be given a refund on his deposit with us as he reduced the number of apartment units from 66 to 55.

A notice was received asking our participation in the Bi-Centennial Celebration. Will hold for future discussion.

Approval was received from the Dept. of Transportation on a constant flasher- permit #W-106 at Hilltown Pike and Swartley Road. Motion made by Dale Hartshorne and seconded by Feryl Spanninger to go ahead on the project. Sent to our engineers for follow-up.

On March 13th there is a seminar at Montgomery County Community College on Federal Revenue Sharing. Mr. Spanninger and Mrs. Gutekunst will attend.

Dale Hartshorne briefly reported on Upper Neshaminy Basin-Sub-Region 1 on a long range plan to utilize existing facilities. The Hatfield Township and Lansdale plants would be retained and the Hatfield Borough plant phased out. A co-ordinating commission will be set up with one representative from each municipality and a representative from the county.

Mr. Cabral from the County gave a very interesting report on the status of homes to be opened for delinquent girls in the county. At present they are renovating a property on Fairhill Road for use as a home for four girls. The house parents will be Mr. and Mrs. John Reblock. The supervisors unanimously approved creation of this home.

Mrs. Lois Drees of 1119 Keystone Drive brought in a petition signed by about 30 residents requesting a 25 mile per hour speed limit on Keystone Drive between Fairhill Road and Route 113 and having "Watch for Children" signs posted on dangerous curves.

Mr. William Davidson of 1223 Keystone Drive made remarks commending the supervisors on the proposed questionnaires going out to all residents.


Mr. Michael Caine also commented on the speed on 152 between Hilltown Pike and Township Line Road. Would like to have speed reduced, would like to post watch children signs, hidden driveway signs, etc.

Line Lexington Fire Co. representative brought in a notice of a seminar at Council Rock High School on March 30, 1974. Mr. Heidrich and Mr. Frankenfield will attend.

A zoning ordinance on underground wiring given to Mr. Wilson for formulation.

A motion was made by Dale Hartshorne and seconded by Paul Frankenfield to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,


Feryl Spanninger
Secretary-Treasurer