

January 10, 1994

The Mount Joy Township Supervisors held their regular monthly meeting on January 10, 1994, at 7:30 p.m. at the Municipal Building located at 902 Hoffman Home Road, Gettysburg, PA. All members were present.

The minutes of the last regular monthly meeting, December 20, 1993, were approved by motion of Sup. Moul, 2nd by Sup. Snyder with no additions or corrections. All in favor; motion carried.

The Treasurer's Report and Bills to be Paid Report consisting of \$5,508.79 to be paid out of the General Account, checks numbered 6854 through 6967 and \$2,077.46 to be paid out of the Payroll Account, checks numbered 1267 through 1272 were approved by motion of Sup. Moul, 2nd by Sup. Snyder. All in favor; motion carried.

Land Development:

Meadow Brook Golf Course - Sup. Snyder moved to send this plan to the Planning Commission, 2nd by Sup. Moul. All in favor, motion carried.

Road Report:

Berms were finished the last of December. We are experiencing a lot of ice now. More anti-skid material has been used so far this year than for the last several years.

Route 97/Heritage Drive - Bids for this project were opened 12/27/93. Only one bid was received which was excessive. It was thought that the bid would be approximately \$125,000; the bid received was for \$176,000 and was rejected. HRG will endeavor to find out why six potential bidders didn't return bids. The project will be rebid.

Old Business:

7-11 Store - Letter was sent to D. Shultz revising plans for sewer. They are currently waiting for a permit from PA Dot. The job will then be bid, expect to a new sewer system by January 1995. The pumping contractor is to pump more often, at least once a week.

General Code (Codification) - The Township must respond regarding certain changes.

Easter property - The secretary is to notify the Zoning Officer to look into this matter.

New Business:

SEO and Assistant - Motion by Sup. Moul to appoint Wm. Hill Associates of Gettysburg for sewage enforcement work. 2nd by Sup. Beebe. All in favor, motion carried.

Building Permit Officer- Sup. Moul moved to appoint Larry Smith of Cashtown as Building Permit and Zoning Officer. 2nd by Sup. Beebe. Moul and Beebe in favor, Snyder abstained. Motion carried. Mr. Smith will work out of the Twp. office two days a week. No one will have to go to Gettysburg.

Zoning Board Secretary - Sup. Beebe moved to appoint Bonnie Koontz as zoning board secretary at the rate of 8.00/hr. 2nd by Sup. Moul. All in favor, motion carried.

Zoning Board Vacancy - A vacancy exists on the Zoning Board. (Tim Brown) A letter of interest in this position was received from John Sterling, 3064 Baltimore Pike, motion by Sup. Moul to appoint Mr. Sterling, 2nd by Sup. Beebe. All in favor, motion carried.

Planning Commission Vacancy - Letters expressing interest in this position were received from Roger Steele, Becky Dobos and John Mulligan. Sup. Beebe moved to appoint Mr. Mulligan to this position, stating that he has good credentials and helped the Twp. with the transfer station situation. 2nd by Sup. Moul. Beebe and Moul in favor, Snyder abstained, motion carried.

Correspondence:

State Convention Information; will be held in Hershey 4/17-4/20. Registration must be in by January 31 at a cost of \$80.00 each. Will be \$90.00 each after February 1 and \$105.00 each after April 2. Sup. Moul moved that the Supervisors attend the convention, 2nd by Sup. Snyder. All in favor, motion carried.

Chairman Beebe stated that the auditors should have made their decision regarding pay rates by a specific date. As of this time, the office has not been contacted. Sup. Snyder attended the auditor's meeting. The rate of pay was set at \$8.00 hr. for Mr. Beebe and \$11.18 for Mr. Snyder. Seminars may be attended with reimbursement of expenses up to \$60.00; if meeting site is within 50 miles of Twp. no overnight stays.

Sup. Moul moved that the supervisors invite the auditors to attend the next meeting and explain what they expect from the supervisors. 2nd by Sup. Snyder, all in favor, carried.

Mr. Beebe commented that he has checked the records and finds no precedent back as far as the 70's. This is discourteous and politically motivated and that's why Sup. Moul suggested that the supervisors and the auditors meet. Township shouldn't have to wait a month for the auditors' decision.

Public Comments:

Mr. Steele - Regarding the auditor's meeting, the auditors were upset that only one supervisor attended. One supervisor could not give enough input for all the supervisors. Mr. Moul said he didn't feel he should attend; auditors should do their business and report back to the supervisors. Mr. Beebe is willing to go to meetings if asked and apologized for any discourtesy on his part.

Mr. Harris - Called state about audit of Township books. Would like to have an outside auditor examine books. Mr. Snyder responded that this request should have been made late in the year. State auditors audit the state accounts.

Mr. Harris also inquired why the supervisors do the work; why no hire others.

Sam Dayhoff - Says that Mr. Beebe stated he is upholding his campaign promises, but he feels an injustice has been done. It was promised to keep expenses down, but now solicitors have been changed from Mr. Teeter at \$65.00/hr. to Mr. Heiser at \$85.00/hr. Questions why extra money is being spent; has been satisfied with Mr. Teeter. Mr. Teeter did not misrepresent the Twp.

Mr. Beebe responded that Mr. Teeter used unprofessional "language" at Lake Heritage. Mr. Moul expressed confidence that the Twp. will spend less money than before. He is completely satisfied that Henry Heiser is the best municipal attorney in the county. He suggested to Mr. Dayhoff that he run for supervisor.

Mr. Dayhoff also expressed disagreement with having HRG as the engineering firm. Feels Township should use someone in the county.

Mr. Beebe responded that Mr. Mark Lewis (of HRG) has done work for the Twp. previously.

Mr. Steele expressed that the legal person should save money for the Twp. Wonders how this can be done if more per hour is charged.

Mr. Moul expressed that Mr. Heiser will work on retainer; a lot of work won't be billed by the hour. The retainer is \$500.00/yr. In the past few years there has been a lot of legal work in the Twp. No much is expected in 1994; there are no major projects.

Mr. Beebe reminded everyone that "cheap" isn't everything; quality must be considered.

Mr. John Schwartz requested that Mr. Moul's statement be put in the minutes "No more money."

Mr. Gitt - regarding Mr. Teeter, he is disturbed about zoning. Was told questions could be asked to the Planning Commission, then to the supervisors, but Mr. Teeter done all the talking. Mr. Gitt asked supervisors, 'why zoning?' and all said to keep Mount Joy Township beautiful. Regarding Dean Shultz, it took two yrs. to get his subd. approved. When Mr. Shultz came out, he brought someone else along with him. It cost him double, Shultz was inadequate.

Mr. Snyder responded that this is not so; state paid for soil scientist, not Mr. Gitt of the Twp.

Mr. Gitt says service was poor, no parking at Dean's office, elevator inconvenient. Says Shultz was unreliable, poor service. No complaints about work, he was fair, but service was poor.

Mr. Steele to know if Mr. Beebe was still campaigning as his signs are still up on Mud College Rd.

Mr. Beebe responded to remove the signs and Mr. Harris says he will remove them tomorrow.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Submitted by Bonnie L. Koontz, secretary.