

January 6, 1997

The Mount Joy Township Supervisors held their regular monthly meeting at 7:45 p.m. in the Mount Joy Township Municipal Building located at 902 Hoffman Home Road, Gettysburg, PA. All members were present.

The minutes of the December 1996 regular meeting and the Budget Adoption Meeting on 12/26/96 were approved by motion of Long, 2nd by Dayhoff, carried.

The Treasurer's Report and Bills to be Paid Report consisting of \$2,120.02 to be paid out of the Payroll Account, checks 1601 through 1609 and \$9,569.56 to be paid out of the General Account, checks 7598 through 7619, were approved by motion of Long, 2nd by Dayhoff, carried.

Chairman Beebe recognized Phil Justice, who was present to inquire why his building permit had been revoked. Bldg. Permit/Zoning Officer Bower read a copy of a letter he had mailed to Justice notifying him that he was in violation of the ordinance. When the building permit was issued, no mention was made of shale mining. The stripping of top soil is prohibited. A site plan is also needed. After much discussion, Justice was recommended to appeal the decision to the Zoning Hearing Board if he desires.

Road Report;

Berms have been put on the roads that were paved. Pipes should be started tomorrow.

Announcements:

The auditors annual reorganizational meeting will be tomorrow evening 1/7/97 at 7:30 p.m.

Correspondence:

Letter from Gettysburg Area School District desiring a contact person regarding snow conditions. Beebe will take care of this.

Letter from Steve Maitland regarding centralized tax collecting; secretary will respond to this.

Old Business:

Zoning Change - Henry Heiser's letter suggests how to handle in the future. Long feels an extension process should be put in place in the ordinance. Long moved to table, 2nd by Dayhoff, carried.

4-way "Stop" - PennDot requirements for a 4-way stop are severe. There must be a traffic and engineering study. Indications are the proposed 4-way "Stop" won't meet the requirements. Lewis, of HRG, says that at least one of the criteria would have to be justified. After much discussion, Long moved to put this on the next month's agenda to allow for additional information to be obtained. 2nd by Dayhoff, carried.

Street Lights at PA 134 intersections - Adams Electric will put in long light for five years at no cost. They will do the one at Mason-Dixon Rd. They are not close to the others. Met-Ed (GPU) to go ahead.

Box Culverts - The question continues as to whether this project will be paid with general or liquid fuels funds. There was much discussion regarding what savings would be realized with general funds; also, the various permits that would be needed. There was a motion by Long to go forward with the project, 2nd by Dayhoff, carried. There was a motion by Long to pay for the project with general funds, 2nd by Beebe, carried.

Hammaker's Bill - The township is not happy with the tar and chip work. Lewis suggests paying 90% of the amount for the road paving and not pay any of the tar and chipping at this time due to the questions regarding the work.

Building Expansion - Dayhoff says the Twp. should hear from architect in another week or two.

Furniture - The additional chairs for the meeting room have been ordered.

WRRMA Sewer Study - Long wanted time to look into this and contact the WRRMA Chair-person. According to Mrs. Neth, there is no current development going on that wouldn't require a change in the Zoning Ordinance. Dayhoff said that he Planning Commission wrote a letter about a year ago requesting that SFR-1 be considered for the service area. If Boyle wants to build, he will have to pay for any studies, lines to be put in, etc. The idea that if the Township doesn't cost share, the Lake would have to pay for it is "bull" The developer would have to pay. Long made a motion to decline the request for a sewer study. Steele says if Twp. doesn't look down the road, there could be hodgepodge of development and the situation would have to be corrected later. Dayhoff doesn't agree that the study will encourage development; Township is already showing an increase in development. After additional discussion, Long will send a letter to the WRRMA chairperson to find out what he needs to know. This will be considered at the next meeting.

New Business:

Audit - The audit (by outside firm) is now complete. Beebe met with the auditors who confirmed the Township auditors were acting as they should in changing some numbers.

Computers- Long is collecting information; will have something on it in February.

Public Comments:

Eileen Holmes - Asked if the (Twp.) auditors' meeting was an open meeting and if they had looked at the audit report. She also feels that Mr. Yingling shouldn't have gotten a sewer permit for allowing them right-of-way. Not only is Highland Avenue Road a problem area for sewage, but the Chinese Restaurant has problems also, as well as the apartment building. She also asked that when discussing something, such as the box culverts, please say where it is.

Motion by Dayhoff for adjournment at 9:10 p.m. 2nd by Beebe, carried.

Submitted by Bonnie L. Koontz, secretary.