

March 11, 1993

The Mount Joy Township Supervisors held their regular monthly meeting on March 11, 1993 at 7:30 p.m. in the Township Municipal Bldg. located at 902 Hoffman Home Road, Gettysburg, Pa. All members were present.

The minutes of the last regular monthly meeting, February 11, 1993, were approved by motion of Moul, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Snyder, carried.

The Treasurer's Report and Bills to be Paid Report consisting of \$19,326.65 to be paid out of the General Account, checks numbered 6640 through 6662; and \$3,321.08 to be paid out of the Payroll Account, checks numbered 1185 through 1192 were approved by motion of Moul, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Snyder, carried.

Subdivisions:

White Run Ridge - Preliminary plans for a 15-lot subdivision to intersect with White Rd; 13 lots around edge, two in center with loop around. Modules, erosion control have been submitted. Snyder noted that instead of a retention pond, plans indicate 4' x 9' 10' dry wells for rain spout water; not sure if this is a good idea. Will have on site water and public sewer.

Road Report:

Routine maintenance; lots of snow removal, also clearing of limbs due to storms. Call received from PennDot about pot hole at end of White Church Rd. Twp to fix. Bids will be put out for road oil and stone by next meeting. (April 8)

Correspondence:

- PSATS Convention 4/4-9 in Hershey. List of resolutions for delegates.
- PSATS re-Policy statement
- Letter from Rohrbaugh's; charter service, discontinued service on Rt. 97.
- Letter from Teeter Law Offices to Cathy Gault re: hearing date for the Miller/Dayhoff property.
- Letter from Adams County Conservation District to Dennis E. Black Engineering re: The Golden Menu Restaurant.
- Chesapeake Bay Newsletter
- Annual Audit and Financial Report rec'd. from auditors with their recommendations.
- Request from Rhoda Conover for ordinance allowing tax collector to charge fee for tax verification. Moul moved to table this until further investigation, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Snyder, carried.
- SE Region Transportation study re: requesting a block grant to conduct study, resolution for \$30,000 block grant from county. Moved by Moul, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Snyder, carried.
- Letter from HRG regarding their contacts with PennDot for 97/Heritage Drive improvements. PennDot requires that widening a concrete road be done with 9' reinforced concrete doweled into existing concrete and topped with 3" ID-2 binder mat'l. Cost est. \$90,200 (Twp. portion) plus \$9,000 contingency. Approx. 250' past LH Drive up to "on" ramp of Rt. 15, 485 & 490 other side. PennDot wants documentation of the drainage problem on 7-11 (formerly High's) side; then maybe PennDot will consider paying for improvement. Trying to get variance from cement to blacktop.

Old Business:

Pa. 97/15 improvements as aforementioned.

New Business:

Hilbert and Snyder attended at Act 537 meeting in Gettysburg. Environmental people are pushing to get things cleaned up. Three municipalities in Adams County are under a building ban. Berwick Twp. just got out from under such a band. Mount Joy Twp. has been fortunate not to have these problems. All municipalities will have to update Act 537 plan; Mount Joy's last updated in 1979. Some townships have sewer districts – a three year rotation plan to check, pump and repair malfunctioning systems. Adams County was the first county to have a sewerage enforcement officer; has also had the most to have license revoked for not enforcing. If there are too many violations reported to DER, sewer districts will result.

Mr. Harold Beebe asked where the money goes re; the oil tanks, and expressed concerns that the sewerage (Act 537) might get out of hand with costs.

DER requires that an engineer watch tank removal projects.

Mr. Beebe stated that not everyone is under tank regulations.

Two years ago municipalities were exempt.

Public Comments:

Representative Steve Maitland commented on local gov't issues for the 1993-4 session; local tax reform. Has met with DER; once PSATS passes resolutions, he will see what he can do about the laws.

Mr. Robert Gitt noted that his itemized list is vague, give in hours. Snyder noted that people are paid by the hour. (D. Shultz and state soil scientists.) In Mr. Gitt's case, the soil scientist was called in attempt to help find suitable place for probes. The same amount of money is paid whether the soil scientist comes or not. Mr. Gitt feels the Twp. should furnish everyone with an itemized bill.

Mr. Reaver stated that if the DER comes around, don't argue with them.

Mr. Gitt questioned if there are any houses in the township where the situation couldn't be correct and what could be done if soil can't work with system. Snyder responded that one or two are being pumped. If there is no other way, DER allows holding tank with regular pumping. Twp. has been trying to keep control of problem situations. Mr. Gitt sees problems down the road. Livestock creates problems with manure. Soil type is not conducive to good crop production. Economics could get worse for farmers.

Mr. Maitland voted for the nutrient management bill: is now in Senate.

Mr. Gitt said that traffic on Rt. 97 is a problem; another accident three weeks ago.

Meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

Submitted by Bonnie L. Koontz, secretary.