

July 11, 1980

The Mt. Joy Township Supervisors held their regular monthly meeting on Friday, July 11, 1980 at 7:30 p.m. at the township municipal building on Hoffman Home Road. All members were present.

The minutes were approved by motion of Glenn Snyder, 2nd by Jim Neth, carried.

The Treasurer's report was also approved by motion of Snyder, 2nd by Neth, carried.

Snyder made a motion to pay all bills as they appear on the treasurer's report, 2nd by Neth, carried.

A letter was read from the Office of Revenue Sharing concerning the Revenue Sharing payments until October 1980. After this there will be modifications made in the allocation formula that may change the allocation for the township.

A letter was read from REA about the cable TV study. Their Board of Directors has approved a feasibility and organizational study. REA will keep the township informed about the development of this as the study proceeds.

The Florence Helman plans were approved as presented by motion of Snyder, 2nd by Neth, carried.

Bids were opened for FB-1 for roads to be improved. Only one (1) bid was received and it was from Roadite.

1600 ton FB-1 Binder	\$20.85 (ton)	\$33,360.00
3000 ton FB-1 Wearing Course	\$24.60 (ton)	\$73,800.00
Total		\$107,160.00

A motion was made to accept this bid by Snyder, 2nd by Neth, carried.

Junk Yard Ordinance - Mr. Frankel spoke on behalf of the citizen's committee. Among his remarks were that this is not a popular ordinance, citizen's are vehemently opposed, they believe nothing can change supervisors minds, ordinance may be challenged in court, that it is interesting that most citizens are against ordinance, and how no action was taken by supervisors to find out how many actually in favor or against this particular ordinance. He also stated that the citizens were not permitted to look at records. The secretary stated that there were in fact three (3) women who came one afternoon to the township municipal building to inspect the records and they were shown just what they asked to see. Mr. Henry Heiser representing the Shriners also had a few remarks. He said that this is a common ordinance, there are a number of citizens in favor of this ordinance, and also that junk yards can and do in fact create nuisances.

Mr. Price, representing Charlie Davies also had a few remarks among which were that at the first meeting there were several people who were in favor of such an ordinance, now there is an overwhelming number against ordinance, supervisors have the authority to exercise Junk Yard Ordinance. He also thinks that if the ordinance is adopted there should be two (2) revisions. (1) review fee schedule, and (2) stacking should be allowed to three (3) cars.

After hearing those comments the supervisors took action on the ordinance. A motion was made by Jim Neth that the supervisors adopt Junk Yard Ordinance No. 80-1, this was seconded by Glenn Snyder, and unanimously adopted.

John Horner and Charlie Strickhouser said the citizens have the complete backing of the Adams County Taxpayers Association if they decide to have the ordinance challenged.

A letter was read from LHMA concerning the cash flow of LHMA. Mt. Joy Township is expected to pay \$1500.00 for their portion. Straban Township and Mt. Pleasant Township also make contributions to LHMA as they are also part of LHMA. This money is to be used solely for expenses related to participation in the regional project, or developmental or a permanent, separate system in the LHMA service area. It will not be used to pay expenses for the present treatment plant, the trucks, or the present employees. This project does not just involve the Lake Heritage, but the township. Right now they are in phase 1. Supervisors are to talk to Hartman concerning this. Action was tabled until next meeting.

Road work - Basehoar Road and Maryland Line Road - base was hauled in last week.

Highland Avenue - There were several complaints from residents on Highland Avenue concerning weeds especially in the area of the Route 97 intersection. Supervisors agreed that this is definitely a dangerous spot and they will do their part in removing of these weeds. There was another discussion about the speed limit being lowered to 35 m.p.h. on this road. Will have to hold a public hearing on this and have ordinance drawn by solicitor. Also questions were raised about weight limit signs being put up along road. Residents concerned about heavy trucks traveling this road. Could Supervisors talk to State Police about patrolling Highland Avenue? At one particular place along road there is a very dangerous drop, could guard rails be put up along this sections of roadway? Supervisors agreed to see what they could do to remedy these situations.

The snow removal travel route was explained to everyone present and it was noted that each time the route was alternated.

Next meeting will be held on August 8, 1980 at 7:30 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m. by motion of Snyder, 2nd by Waybright, carried.
Submitted by Barbara J. Snyder, secretary.