

May 12, 1997

The Mount Joy Township Supervisors held their regular monthly meeting on Monday, May 12, 1997, at 7:30 PM in the Township Municipal Building located at 902 Hoffman Home Road, Gettysburg, PA. Beebe and Long were present; Dayhoff was absent.

The minutes of the last regular monthly meeting, April 14, 1997, were approved by motion of Long, 2nd by Beebe, carried. The Treasurer's Report and the Bills to be Paid for April and the Bills to be Paid for May, to date, were approved by motion of Long, 2nd by Beebe, carried.

Chairman Beebe recognized Chad Clabaugh and Jim Smiley, representatives from the Bank of Hanover, who were present to present information on the Bank of Hanover's Index Fund. Beebe noted that the Township must have a safe haven for investments and asked what the advantage would be to changing from the present mode of investing. It was explained that an additional \$1,000 per \$100,000 interest could be earned per year. Treasury notes rates can be locked in until maturity date. The bank charges a fee for investment management, 1/4 of one per cent. Having the bank do it saves time and responsibility. Long asked what is 1/4 of 1% on \$600,000. It was answered that it is about \$1500 a year. No decision will be made on this tonight.

Subdivisions:

Stan Wolf - Land Development plan for a mini-storage facility on Highland Avenue Rd. The Planning Commission has approved. Motion to approve by Beebe, pending the engineer's approval, 2nd by Long, carried.

David Shaw - One lot purchased from Wilson Clapsaddle approximately 11 years ago, but subdivision somehow never got recorded. Motion to approve by Beebe, 2nd by Long, carried.

Ron Petralito - Subdivision located along Feeser Road, primarily in Germany Township. A small corner of one lot is in Mount Joy Township. Motion to approve by Beebe, 2nd by Long, carried.

Ron Smith - Subdivision of house, barn, outbuildings and approximately 12 acres from farm along PA Rt. 134. Has Form B waiver. Motion to approve by Beebe, 2nd by Long, carried.

Road Report:

Mowing will start soon.

Announcements:

There will be a special meeting on Wednesday, May 14, 1997 at 7:30 P>M> to render a decision regarding the Boyle project.

Old Business:

Zoning Enforcement - A resolution outlining the policy to prosecute zoning ordinance violations was approved by motion of Beebe, 2nd by Long, carried.

Salt Storage Shed - Discussion was tabled until a full Board is present.

Overhead doors - The present wooden doors are over 20 years old and are falling apart. Four vendors were contacted; three responses were received. After discussing the quotes received, it was decided to go with the heavier gauge door, no windows, at a cost of \$3,229. Motion by Long, 2nd by Beebe, carried.

Building expansion - Discussion was tabled due to Dayhoff not being here. Long would like a cost estimate before the next meeting. It was OK'd for him to get an estimate.

New Business:

Admission Tax - Half of the percentage is to go to School Board, half to Township. Discussion was tabled until researched.

Bank Resolutions - New resolutions must be signed authorizing the three supervisors and the secretary/treasurer to carry out Township business. The matter of bank resolutions is to be put on the agenda of the reorganization meeting each year. Motion by Beebe, 2nd by Long, carried.

Adams County Earned Income Tax Collection Agency - The operating budget for the coming year shows a slight increase of just under 2 ¾%. Motion by Beebe, 2nd by Long for discussion. Motion by Beebe to approve, 2nd by Long, carried.

Reserve Funds - Long says the capital reserve funds should be put aside now.

Agricultural Security Area - There was a question of who is on the advisory committee. Every seven years each landowner must be contacted to see if the respective property is to remain in the ASA. Long and Koontz will work on this.

Public Comments:

There was a question regarding the bank resolution as to whether or not the people handling Township accounts are bonded. The secretary/treasurer is.

Ray Sanders , 95 Spring Creek Circle, Gettysburg, PA. - Presented a petition against the shopping outlet village.

An unidentified person said that in informal dialogue before the meeting, in effect the project has 99.99% probability of gaining approval. A lot of neighbors invested a lot of time and energy to circulate the petition. If this is a "done deal", asked for an explanation. Beebe explained that the Zoning Ordinance did not allow this type of project, but there was a procedure that could be followed legally to allow for a change. Application was made, there was a publicized public hearing held at Hoffman Home. People were asked to give their comments. People then were favorable, thought it was a good project. The Zoning Ordinance was amended to allow it to go in. The Township has the right to attach reasonable conditions.

In regard to an exit off of US Rt. 15, Long said that PaDot might agree to this, but the Federal Dept. of Highways would say "no" to breaking limited access.

Mr. Pagano - Feels that the covenant between elected officials to care for the interests and people of the Township has been broken.

There was a question of what would be done with the petition that was presented here tonight. Beebe says the petition will not be ignored, but will be read.

Mrs. Pagano - Stated that the Zoning Ordinance says that the supervisors can either approve or deny.

Dave Mehring - Asked if there were any questions about the concerns of the Barlow Fire Company regarding the Boyle project.

Don Hubbard - Hopes that the supervisors will come to the Fire Department if they have any questions or concerns about the information presented about the mall in Florida that burned.

Bob Gitt - He has two farms in Mount Joy Township. People would like to see farms stay, but farming is different now than it was 25 years ago due to traffic.

Motion for adjournment by Long at 9:55 P>M>, 2nd by Beebe, carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Bonnie L. Koontz
Secretary