October 19, 2000 - Hearing

The Mount Joy Township Supervisors held a hearing at 7:15 PM on Thursday, October 19, 2000 at the Township municipal building located at 902 Hoffman Home Road for the purpose of accepting public comments regarding the proposed amendment to the Township's SALDO to bring it into compliance with the State MPC with respects to plan review periods. All Supervisors, Dayhoff, Waybright and Chantelau were present, as well as Township solicitor Walton V. Davis and Township secretary Bonnie L. Koontz.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Dayhoff. As there were no attendees and therefore no comments, motion for adjournment by Waybright, 2nd by Chantelau, carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Bonnie L. Koontz Secretary

October 19, 2000 - Regular Meeting

The Mt. Joy Township Supervisors held their regular monthly meeting on Thursday, October 19, 2000 at 7:30 PM in the Township municipal building located at 902 Hoffman Home Road, Gettysburg. All Supervisors, Dayhoff, Waybright and Chantelau, were present as well as Township solicitor Walton V. Davis and Township secretary Bonnie L. Koontz.

The minutes of the last regular meeting, September 21, 2000, were approved by motion of Chantelau, 2nd by Dayhoff, carried unanimously.

The minutes of the special meeting, September 28, 2000, were approved by motion of Chantelau, 2nd by Dayhoff, with corrections as follows: page 2, "Road Report", 10 lines from the bottom, the sentence should end after the word "idea". Waybright was the one who questioned the feasibility of larger trucks. Also, the motion did not carry unanimously; Dayhoff and Chantelau were in favor, Waybright was opposed. Motion to approve minutes, as amended, carried unanimously.

Chairman Dayhoff stated that Zoning Officer Jill Coleman has resigned and will be leaving at the end of the month. The position has been advertised and applications received. Ms. Coleman will remain as a consultant with the comprehensive plan and subsequent future zoning changes. Dayhoff feels that Ms. Coleman has done a great job. Chantelau agrees and made a motion that the Township officially extend "Thanks" and appreciation for all that she has done for the Township, 2nd by Waybright, carried unanimously.

Public Comments:

Brad Hunt - Commented that the traffic lights on Rt. 97 in the vicinity of GVFS are working well. As a resident of White Road, Mr. Hunt voiced several questions and concerns about the proposed extension of White Road onto Heritage Drive. (A copy of Mr. Hunt's comments will be retained in the Township files.)

Marlene Lufriu - Questioned when the road work involved with the Deer Chase project would be done. Dayhoff recalled that the developer had indicated it would be done in September, but this has not happened. Atty. Davis added that financial security has been posted for one year.

Lyman Schwartz - Feels that there is a lot of merit in what Brad Hunt said.

The Treasurer's Report was approved by motion of Waybright, 2nd by Chantelau, carried unanimously.

The Bills to be Paid for September and October, to date, were approved by motion of Chantelau, 2nd by Waybright, carried unanimously.

Road Report:

The Road Report was accepted by motion of Chantelau, 2nd by Waybright, carried unanimously. Chantelau commented that Road Superintendent Graham has recommended purchasing a new salt spreader at a cost of \$1684 on the state contract; the market price is over \$3000. Following brief discussion, motion by Waybright to purchase the salt spreader, 2nd by Chantelau, carried unanimously.

Correspondence:

- A letter was received from Andrea Crouse, Gettysburg Recreation Department, requesting the Supervisors to pass a resolution in support of a grant for which she is applying for the Rec Park. Following discussion, including that this in no way binds the Township, motion to adopt the resolution by Dayhoff, 2nd by Chantelau, carried unanimously.
- A letter was received from Harold Yingling of Yingling's Auction Service requesting permission to place two (2) "tent" signs in Township right-of-way

for directional purposes. Chantelau questioned what the Township Zoning Ordinance says about tent signs. Dayhoff said these were approved by the Zoning Hearing Board some time ago. Chantelau feels a more permanent sign would look better. Also, it is anticipated that Lake Heritage will come in with a sign request. A "hodgepodge" of various signs would be unsightly. A policy should be set for the type of signage the Township wants there. There was discussion about "TOD" (Tourist Orientation Directional) signs. Motion by Chantelau that the Township temporarily approve two (2) tent sign: one (1) to be located at the entrance of Heritage Drive (south side) off of Rt. 97 and one (1) to be located across from Yingling's new entrance/exit off Heritage Drive. These signs are in no way to interfere with sight distance. All other tent signs are to be removed from Township right-of-way. This approval is temporary until permanent signage can be determined to be placed in Township right-of-way. 2nd by Waybright, carried unanimously. Waybright suggested that the Township get with Mark (Lewis) and get discussion with Yingling and the Lake and work out something before Mark goes to PennDOT.

Announcements:

Waybright - Regarding a CRIS (Comprehensive Road Improvement Study) meeting in Straban Township, a list of improvements has been drawn up and will be prioritized.

The Zoning Officer's Report was overlooked earlier on the agenda; motion by Dayhoff, 2nd by Waybright, to accept the report, carried unanimously.

There will be a convention of Adams County Elected Township Officials on November 8, 2000 at the Heidlersburg Fire Hall.

Old Business:

Mud College School - Davis is in the process of preparing a deed conveying Mud College (Pleasant Grove School) to the Township. If there is a trust to come with, this would be a separate matter. Motion by Dayhoff to accept the donation of Mud College from the Crouse family and also that the Township purchase a commemorative plaque with the Crouse names on it stating the donation to the Township, cost of the plaque not to exceed \$700, and that the Township will maintain the building and contents "as is" for historical and recreational purposes, 2nd by Chantelau. Chantelau questioned if after the Township acquires the school, if it is available for school districts to come in and use, will it be run from the Township office. Dayhoff said Littlestown (Area School District) has agreed to do a curriculum. Chantelau questioned if the Township should meet with the Crouse family to do an inventory. Davis commented that pictures inside and outside would be helpful for inventory as well as insurance purposes. Waybright asked if there were any other one-room schools still a school in the County. Following discussion, motion carried unanimously.

SALDO amendment - Motion by Waybright to adopt, 2nd by Chantelau, carried unanimously.

Supervisors Compensation - Following brief discussion it was decided to advertise this ordinance for adoption at a special meeting to be held on November 2, 2000, at 7:15 PM.

Budget Workshop - There will be a budget workshop advertised for November 2, 2000 at 7:30 PM.

New Business:

Traffic Concerns - Chantelau commented that on the night of the concert a security person was on PA 97 in the Littlestown lanes. Traffic was backed up to Rock Creek and also down the Rt. 15 exit lanes. Traffic flow was being thwarted. If traffic is directed, it should be done at all the lights. This condition was observed at approximately 6:45 PM when he came home from Littlestown and then went to Gettysburg. Chantelau also noted that security personnel were noticed and in evidence on opening day, but later on, Wednesday, no security people were to be seen; he hopes they were there.

The Supervisors and Solicitor Davis broke for executive session at approximately 8:19 PM. The meeting was recalled to order at approximately 8:29 PM.

Solicitor Davis commented that three items were discussed during executive session: a concern that the Township may be sued, an ongoing alleged ordinance violation, and a new violation of SALDO. Action is contemplated.

Motion for adjournment at 8:30 by Waybright, 2nd by Chantelau, carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Bonnie L. Koontz Secretary