

MIDDLESEX TOWNSHIP
WORKSHOP MEETING
30 JANUARY 1998

OFFICIALS PRESENT:	SUPERVISORS:	Robert Eppley
		Joseph Capuano
		Charles Shughart
	SOLICITOR:	Keith Brenneman
	ENGINEER:	Bud Grove
	POLICE CHIEF:	Barry Sherman
	ZONING OFFICER:	Mark Carpenter
	SECRETARY	Mary Justh

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 am in the new Municipal Building by Chairman Robert Eppley.

TAX COLLECTION EXONERATION

Tax Collector Nancy Sheibley presented a list for exoneration and letters from Cumberland County Board of Assessment, concerning policy change allowing no exoneration of taxes. On a motion by Mr. Shughart, and seconded by Mr. Capuano the Supervisors voted unanimously to approve the exoneration requests as submitted by Middlesex Township Tax Collector Nancy Sheibley.

On another motion from Mr. Shughart, seconded by Mr. Capuano, the Supervisors voted unanimously to continue exonerating residents as we have in the past. Tax Collector Sheibley requested a letter from the Secretary to that effect.

VOTING PRECINCT DISCUSSION

Robert and Marion Smyser representing Middlesex Board of Election feel the precinct needs to be divided, based on the amount of time people spend waiting in line to vote and the workers at the polls are just too busy to take any personal time for lunch, etc. The Election Board needs a proposal from the Supervisors in order to proceed, but once they agree to proceed, the Election Board will handle the details. A Census Map is necessary to calculate the division of the Township. Mr. Capuano suggested that the Smysers pick up the map to expedite the process. Mr. Eppley asked Shirley Herman to comment on the process of dividing the precinct. The Board of Supervisors directed the Secretary to draft a letter to Democratic chairperson, Richard Lindsay and Republican chairperson, Robert Eppley, about the possibility of dividing the precinct. A motion was made by Mr. Capuano, seconded by Mr. Shughart to begin the process of redistricting.

JOHN GLEIM SUBDIVISION REAPPROVAL

On a motion made by Mr. Capuano to reapprove the Final Subdivision Plan which would expire on February 2, 1998, subject to the same conditions, financial security and approval of waivers as originally approved on 5 Nov. 1997, seconded by Mr. Shughart, passed unanimously. Fisher responded to Solicitor Brenneman that no written notice concerning approval with conditions will be necessary.

GCW PROPERTIES, INC. PREL/FINAL SUBDIVISION PLAN #97007

Discussion of plan included need for HOP from PennDot and improvements to traffic signal will be at the developers expense. Plan is ready for approval and will be considered at Supervisors meeting on February 5.

BENATEC BRIDGE INSPECTION REVIEW

Project Manager, Douglas Stumpp, from Benatec reported on the three township bridges in Middlesex. Reports on all three bridges were ordered to file.

Chairman Eppley asked for an update on Wolfs Bridge. Mr. Stumpp explained that the bridge weight limit was downgraded to 3 ton due to extensive deterioration throughout the floor beams. The cost of repairs will be approximately \$250,000.

MEADOWBROOK FARMS SKETCH PROPOSING REVISION TO APPROVED PREL. SUBD. PLAN #98001

John Sepp of Penn Terra Engineering, Inc. presented a revision to reduce the number of lots from 216 to 190, and requested reduction in the street width from 36' to 30'. After some discussion the Supervisors directed Mr. Grove to consider this request. Supervisors agreed to waive additional traffic study requirements. Developers will return to Planning Commission after receiving Mr. Grove's review.

HEIRS OF PAUL O. SUNDAY PLAN #2, REVISION TO APPROVED PREL/FINAL SUBDIVISION PLAN #97005

On a recommendation by Mr. Capuano, seconded by Mr. Shughart, the Board of Supervisors accepted the revised plans subject to adding an original signature over or near the seal. Mr. Carpenter stated the plan is ready to be approved, but the Planning Commission recommended the engineer Hartman and Assoc., Inc. be required to provide an original engineer signature on the plan.

ROBERT LINE JR. REQUEST TO WAIVE R-T ZONING REQUIREMENTS

Mr. Capuano commented that since no construction on these lots can take place without a Land Development Plan or building permit the designation of common open space can be handled at that time. Mr. Carpenter will direct the developer to add a note to the plan stating this.

TRASH REMOVAL/RECYCLING RFP

Rescheduled till the February 28th workshop meeting.

NEW FEE SCHEDULE

Mr. Capuano introduced resolution 98-4, setting fees for miscellaneous permits issued by the Township of Middlesex. Resolution was seconded by Mr. Shughart and passed unanimously.

Mr. Capuano introduced resolution 98-5, amending fees under the Middlesex Township Zoning and Subdivision Ordinances. The resolution was seconded by Mr. Shughart and passed unanimously.

Mr. Shughart introduced resolution 98-6 amending the Recreation Fee for developers submitting new Subdivision and Land Development Plans to \$350.00. The resolution was seconded by Mr. Capuano and passed unanimously.

ZONING CONSULTANT DISCUSSION

Mr. Capuano made a motion for Secretary Justh to draft a proposal for the Gannett Fleming Agreement for Technical Engineering/Planning Services, Priority #1 with an estimated cost of \$13,000.00, including a no increase of fees statement in the event the Township decides to proceed with other priorities listed in the agreement..

ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENT DISCUSSION: PERSONAL WIRELESS SERVICE FACILITIES

After presentation by Solicitor Brenneman of input by the Planning Commission the Board of Supervisors directed Solicitor Brenneman to revise the proposed wireless ordinance as per information discussed.

HARDEE'S/FLYING J TRUCK ACCESSIBILITY

Chief Sherman described ongoing traffic problems at the Flying J/Hardee's western driveway on to US 11. Hardee's will not take responsibility for the truck traffic problem. Middlesex Police have written to PennDot explaining the problem and the fact that Hardee's was not designed as originally planned. Chief Sherman will keep the Supervisors informed of the situation.

There being no further matters before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 11:25 AM.