

MIDDLESEX TOWNSHIP
SUPERVISORS MEETING
MARCH 7, 2001

OFFICIALS PRESENT:	SUPERVISORS:	Robert Eppley - Absent Chuck Shughart Vic Stabile
	SOLICITOR:	Keith Brenneman
	ENGINEER:	Bud Grove
	POLICE:	Chief Barry Sherman
	ZONING OFFICER:	Mark Carpenter
	RECREATION:	Debbie Vogel - Absent
	FIRE CHIEF:	Ed Beam
	SECRETARY:	Mary Justh

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

Vice Chairman Charles Shughart called the meeting to order at 7:10 PM. Police Chief Barry Sherman led the pledge to the flag.

AUDITORS REPORT – Mr. Shughart introduced Mrs. Carol Ramp, chairperson of the auditors, and she reported on the audit of the Township records. Mrs. Ramp stated that the township has kept expenses down for the year 2000, but she did recommend that the Township look at hiring CPA professionals for the audit in the future because of the GASB Statement 34. Mr. Stabile asked what the cost would be to the Township. Mrs. Ramp explained that it could cost \$35,000. to \$40,000. 00, but stated that the price may be inflated. Mr. Shughart asked Shirley Herman and Cindy Gleim-Pool to stand be recognized for their work on the audit.

PUBLIC HEARING FOR ORDINANCE 2-01 – Mr. Shughart turned the meeting over to Township Solicitor Keith Brenneman for the public hearing. Mr. Brenneman stated that this is the time and the place for the public hearing on the amendments to the Middlesex Township Zoning Ordinance. Mr. Brenneman stated that the hearing is being conducted under the authority of the PA Municipalities Planning Code and that the advertised Ordinance proposes substantial changes to the provisions in the Ordinance with respect to the RT or Residential Towne Zoning District and proposes an addition of an Overlay District known as the Groundwater Protection Overlay District. Mr. Brenneman stated that the Ordinance and the Hearing have been advertised as required by law and posting of the area has occurred and written notice has been given to certain individuals as required by the Township Zoning Ordinance. Mr. Carpenter assured Mr. Brenneman that notification has occurred. Mr. Brenneman supplied exhibits for the hearing: 1. Comments by the Letort Regional Authority dated 2/17/2001, 2. Cumberland County Planning Commission comments dated 2/15/2001, 3. Proof of Publication for the Hearing tonight, and 4. the Summary of the Ordinance as advertised. The full Ordinance has been available for public inspection at the Township office. Mr. Brenneman then asked for public comment. Mr. Dick Koch, Gannet-Fleming, gave an overview of the overlay district. Mr. Robert Long spoke on his property (256 acres) of which he wants to develop. Mr. Capuano spoke concerning residents rights, Matt Denlinger asked questions of Solicitor Brenneman. Mr. Long asked the Board of Supervisors to extent the hearing until a letter is received from his

attorney. Mr. John Gleim was acknowledged and spoke on his concerns. Supervisor Vic Stabile suggested that the record be kept open and re-advertise for a continuation of the hearing on April 11 at 7:00 PM. Mr. Stabile made a motion to recommend that the Ordinance be modified by the Planning Commission comments and be readvertised. Mr. Shughart seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Vice Chairman Chuck Shughart closed the hearing until 4/11 at 7:00 PM.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Supervisor Stabile made a motion to approve the minutes of February 7 and 23. Mr. Shughart seconded the motion and the minutes were approved.

AUTHORIZE PAYMENT OF BILLS

On a motion by Mr. Stabile, seconded by Mr. Shughart, approval was given for payment of bills represented by the bill list for February, summarized as follows:

General Fund Checks #11164 thru #11281	\$ 57,629.11
Escrow Fund Checks #154 thru #156	9,074.55
Pension Fund Check #111	3,416.19
Transfer for Payroll #3 & #4	51,935.67

PUBLIC COMMENT – Mr. Capuano **congratulated** the Supervisors on keeping the expenditures down for the year according to the auditors report. **Mrs. Julie Johnson asked the Supervisors for an extension** from an enforcement letter that she received concerning unlicensed vehicles and trash on her property. Mr. Brenneman will forward an agreement letter to Mrs. Johnson granting an extension of 45 days must be signed by 3/19/01.

REPORTS

SOLICITOR: No report at this time.

ENGINEER: Mr. Grove stated that **Pheasant Development** has requested a reduction of security from \$64,000.00 to \$22,456.83. Mr. Grove stated that his concerns at this time are placing the wearing course on the street and detention pond has silted in or was not graded properly. Mr. Grove is forwarding a copy of his memo to the developer. Mr. Stabile made a motion to grant a reduction in security for Pheasant Development as stated in Mr. Grove memo of 3/7/2001 to the new amount of \$22,456.83. Mr. Shughart seconded the motion and to passed unanimously.

POLICE: Presented by Chief Sherman and ordered to file. Mr. Stabile asked where we ranked as far as calls in the County. Chief Sherman stated that we were second or third in the County, because of the **Miracle Mile**.

ZONING: Presented by Mark Carpenter and ordered to file. Mr. Stabile asked Mr. Carpenter about the **trailers off South Middlesex Road**. Mr. Carpenter has not gone are observed the situation at this time. Mr. Carpenter stated that he received correspondence from **Mr. James Cousins concerning the sleeping quarters at ABF**. Mr. Carpenter explained that he sees nothing that is in violation. Mr. Stabile asked Mr. Brenneman to see if there was any violation.

RECREATION: No report.

FIRE/EMC: Report presented by Fire Chief Ed Beam and ordered to file. Chief Beam stated that the Fire Departments will no longer respond on animal rescues. Chief Beam presented the Supervisors with a plaque from **New Kingstown Fire Company**, thanking them for their support. Mr. Stabile asked Mrs. Justh to reply with a note of thanks.

MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY: No report.

SECRETARY: Mrs. Justh stated that the Supervisors will eventually be set up with email addresses that they can check in the Supervisors Office or by remote.

BID AWARD FOR NEW DOUBLE DRUM VIBRATORY ROLLER – Mr. Stabile made a motion to award the low bid to Groff Tractor in the amount of \$27,900.00. Mr. Shughart seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

(#01-3) THOMAS I. ROSENBERGER PRELIMINARY/FINAL SUBDIVISION PLAN & RESOLUTION 2001-7 PA DEP SEWAGE FACILITIES PLANNING MODULE. – Mr. Brenneman asked if the Agreement has been executed. Mr. Carpenter stated that everything is in order. Mr. Stabile made a motion to adopt Resolution 2001-7 recommending the PA DEP Facility Planning Module with regard to the Thomas I. Rosenberger Preliminary/Final Subdivision Plan. Mr. Shughart seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Mr. Stabile made a motion to approve the Preliminary/Final Subdivision Plan of Thomas I. Rosenberger dated 1/5/01 last revised 2/27/01 with comments granting the following waivers: 1. 305 Minor Subdivision Plans, 2. 501.p Existing Contours, 3. 501.q Location of USGS Bench Mark, 4. 501.0 Existing Natural Features 5. 1001 Storm Water Management Plan, 6. 1101 Grading Plan, 7. 1201 Landscape Plan 8. 501.dd – 601.e Sidewalks, and 9. 501.dd-601.e Curbs, with the condition that before the plan is recorded the Sewage Facilities Module be approved by DEP. Mr. Shughart seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Mr. Stabile asked about inspection of this type of system. Mr. Carpenter stated that according to the agreement there will be separate yearly inspections. Mr. Carpenter noted that the required agreement has been signed by Mr. Rosenberger and the required escrow deposit made.

(#00-16) SMALL STEPS DAYCARE PRELIMINARY/FINAL LAND DEVELOPMENT PLAN – Mr. Shaun Malloy, Hoover Engineering represented Small Steps Day Care. Mr. Stabile made a motion in connection with the Small Steps Day Care dated 10/30/2000 revised 12/4/2000 recommended that DEP approve the submittal of the Planning Exemption postcard for Small Steps Day Care. Mr. Shughart seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Mr. Stabile made a motion to grant the three waivers: 1. Preliminary request, 2. 501 Sidewalks, and 3. Curbs for the Small Steps Plan. Mr. Shughart seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Mr. Stabile made a final motion to approve the Preliminary/Final Plan dated 10/30/2000 revised 12/4/2000 with the following conditions, 1. that the applicant execute an Agreement with the Township for security of sight improvements, 2. that the applicant comply with the comments of the Middlesex Township Municipal Authority concerning manhole

#245-5, and 3. that the Applicant comply with the Township Engineers comments of 3/7/01. Mr. Shughart seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL FUNDS FOR FIRE PROTECTION – Mr. Shughart made a motion to give an additional \$3,000.00 to the Fire Departments. Mr. Stabile seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Chief Beam listed the breakdown as follows New Kingstown \$1000.00, Carlisle \$1000.00, North Middleton \$500.00 and Shermansdale \$500.00.

LETTER FROM CHUCK SHAPLEY – MYBA – Mr. Shapley presented a request to fence the teener ball field and make improvements to other fields. Mr. Stabile made a motion to grant permission to MYBA to make improvements to the fields as listed in his letter dated 3/2/01 at Middlesex Youth Baseball Association's expense. Mr. Shughart seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

After the executive session the meeting was adjourned at 10:47 PM.