

**MIDDLESEX TOWNSHIP
SUPERVISORS MEETING**

July 6, 2005

OFFICIALS PRESENT:	SUPERVISORS:	Chuck Shughart Vic Stabile - Absent Don Geistwhite
	SOLICITOR:	Keith Brenneman
	ENGINEER:	Bud Grove
	POLICE:	Chief Barry Sherman
	ZONING OFFICER:	Mark Carpenter
	SECRETARY:	Mary Justh

Chairman Chuck Shughart called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM in the Middlesex Twp Building and then lead the pledge to the flag.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Mr. Geistwhite made a motion to approve the minutes for 1 and 24 of June. Mr. Shughart seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

AUTHORIZE PAYMENT OF BILLS – Mr. Geistwhite made a motion to approve payment of bills per the bill list of June. Mr. Shughart seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

General Fund Checks #16504 - #16589	\$102,098.68
State Fund Ck#191 - #196	\$ 10,542.48
Escrow Fund Check #294	\$ 4,571.45
Transfer for Payroll #11 & #12	\$ 75,399.74

PUBLIC COMMENT – Mr. Joe Capuano asked the Supervisors to seriously consider writing to the state legislators regarding the High Courts decision on **an Individual's Property Rights**. Both Mr. Shughart and Mr. Geistwhite stated that they agree on Mr. Capuano's comments.

Mr. Bob Shenk from HRG gave the Supervisors and update on the PennTerra plan and what the expected start date would be. Municipal Authority has not given their final approved yet according to the Mr. Grove. Chief Sherman asked Mr. Shenk if he was aware of the need for PennTerra to bond Country Club Road.

REPORTS

Solicitor - No report

Engineer – No report

Police – Ordered to file.

Zoning – Ordered to file. Mr. Shughart asked Mr. Carpenter to investigate a sign on Trindle Road that may not be allowed.

Recreation – Ordered to file.

Fire/EMC – Ordered to file. Mr. Shughart asked if a burn ban should be enacted at this time. Mr. Shughart questioned the necessity of a burn ban.

Municipal Authority – No report

Secretary – Mrs. Justh reported that she has received correspondence from HATS regarding Wolfs Bridge and it now goes before the Cumberland County Planning Commission. The bridge may actually be accepted for Federal Funding.

OLD BUSINESS

Adoption of the Act 537 Plan Amendment and Resolution 2005-6 – Mr. Don Geistwhite made a motion to enact the amended Act 537 Plan and Resolution 2005-6. Mr. Shughart seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Ordinance 3-2005 Establishing Requirements and Procedures for the Payment, Escrow and Use of Fire Loss Claims and Penalties for the Violation thereof. Mr. Geistwhite made a motion to adopt Ordinance 3-2005 Establishing Requirements and Procedures for the Payment, Escrow and Use of Fire Loss Claims and Penalties for the Violation thereof. Mr. Shughart seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Ordinance 4-2005 Amending Ordinance 3-2001, Section 7 and Authorizing The Middlesex Township Municipal Authority To Grant Extensions To The Schedule Of Required Pumping And Inspection Of On-Lot Septic Systems, Retaining Tanks And Permit Exempt Systems. After a brief discussion Mr. Geistwhite made a motion to advertise the ordinance and have it place don the agenda for enactment at the August Supervisors Meeting. Mr. Shughart seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

ABF Request for Reduction of Security – Mr. Grove explained that he has done an inspection and at this time he recommends that the reduction for security be reduced by 50%. Mr. Geistwhite made a motion to approve a reduction of Security to \$48,615.00. Mr. Shughart seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Reappointment of Tracy Gleim and Steve Zeigler to the Planning Commission. Mr. Geistwhite made a motion to reappoint Mr. Tracy Gleim and Mr. Steve Zeigler to the Planning Commission. Mr. Shughart seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Repairs to the Township Air-Conditioning – Mr. Shughart explained that the decision of where to take the funds for the repairs is the issue. Mr. Shughart suggested that the township budget for next year reflect an increase in the building repairs in the General Fund. Mr. Shughart made the motion to pay this invoice out of the General Capital Reserve. The motion was seconded by Mr. Geistwhite and passed unanimously.

Chief Sherman told the Supervisors he would like get a **350 truck for the highway** department under state contract. The truck will be diesel, automatic with dual wheels.

Mr. Geistwhite made a motion to authorize purchasing a truck using the state contact and funds from the Capital Reserve Equipment and the State Fund. Mr. Shughart seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Chief Sherman told the Supervisors that residents on Claremont Road are complaining about the speeders through Drytown from 81 to South Middlesex Road. A study will be needed to have the speed reduced from 40 to 35 or 30. Mr. Shughart made the motion to do the speed study. The motion was seconded by Mr. Geistwhite and it was passed unanimously.

Mr. Geistwhite made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:39 PM. The motion was seconded by Mr. Shughart.