

MIDDLESEX TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS MEETING

August 4, 2004

OFFICIALS PRESENT:	SUPERVISORS:	Chuck Shughart, Chairman Vic Stabile, Vice Chairman (Absent) Donald Geistwhite
	SOLICITOR:	Keith Brenneman
	ENGINEER:	Bud Grove (Absent)
	POLICE:	Chief Barry Sherman
	FIRE:	Chief Ed Beam (Absent)
	ZONING OFFICER:	Mark Carpenter
	SECRETARY:	Mary Justh

CALL TO ORDER – Chairman Chuck Shughart called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. at the Middlesex Township Building.

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG – Solicitor Brenneman led the assembly in the Pledge to the Flag.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES – The minutes have not been reviewed.

AUTHORIZE PAYMENT OF BILLS – Chairman Shughart asked for a motion to approve the payment of bills for July. Mr. Geistwhite made the motion and Chairman Shughart seconded it and the motion passed unanimously.

General Fund Checks #15468 - #15623	\$110,682.55
Transfer for Payroll #14, #15, and #16	\$110,132.52
Escrow Fund Check #261-262	\$ 2,750.35
State Fund Checks #177 - #181	\$ 40,871.91
Non-uniform Pension Fund	\$ 4,166.95

PUBLIC COMMENT – Ms. Julie Johnsen met with the Supervisors to discuss improvements on her property, as she has been advised by Senator Specter's office to report her progress at each Township meeting. She informed the Supervisors that she is receiving assistance from outside agencies and hopes to have a new roof on her home in October of this year. Mr. Carpenter asked the Supervisors if he should attempt to schedule another inspection of the home. The Supervisors instructed Mr. Carpenter to schedule an inspection to ensure safety there and relay to Ms. Johnsen that they wish her the best as she makes improvements to her property and look forward to her cooperation.

Mr. Michael Cekovic of 15 Teaberry Drive in the Meadows met again with the Supervisors to ask permission from the Township if it would be possible to subdivide a common area there in order to obtain funding to develop a recreational area in the Meadows. Mr. Cekovic has not received much of a response from residents in the area regarding assistance in creating a recreation area from the land there, as was the original plan of the developer. Zach Bond of Taylor Trust collects the assessment fees of \$35 a year from the homeowners for maintenance of an area that, Mr. Cekovic maintains, is not within the development where the fees are being collected. Solicitor Brenneman advised Mr. Cekovic that he would need to seek legal counsel as it is a private matter of the homeowner's association.

REPORTS:

Solicitor: Nothing to report.

Engineer: Nothing to report.

Police: Ordered to file. Chief Sherman advised the Supervisors that the property located on 178 North Middlesex Road and the one located at the corner of Clemson and Wolfs Bridge Road had both been mowed by the Township. The Supervisors ask Mrs. Justh to invoice the property owners for the charges incurred by the Township.

Zoning Officer: Ordered to file. Mr. Carpenter presented to the Supervisors that in order to be eligible for Growing Greener funding, the Township would need to utilize one of the County's approved engineers for this purpose. The Supervisors have deferred research on this issue to Mr. Grove, Township Engineer.

Mr. Carpenter informed the Supervisors that he has been contacted by Pilot and they have asked to meet with the Supervisors to discuss implementing a plan to rectify concerns the Township has due to traffic problems there. The Supervisors asked Mr. Carpenter to inform Pilot that they look forward to meeting with them at the next workshop meeting.

Recreation: Ordered to file.

Fire: Nothing to report.

Municipal Authority: Nothing to report.

Secretary: Mrs. Justh informed the Supervisors that Mrs. Joan Pattison has resigned from the Planning Commission due to personal reasons. Mr. Geistwhite made a motion to accept the resignation. Mr. Shughart seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. The Supervisors asked Mrs. Justh to send Mrs. Pattison a letter thanking her for her service to the Planning Commission.

Mr. Geistwhite made a motion to allow **Arora Engineering & Associates** to conduct a traffic impact analysis for the proposed development in South Middleton impacting Trindle Road not to exceed \$8,000 pro bono for Mr. Stabile. Mr. Shughart seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

(#04-16) Ralph & Linda Deitch Preliminary/Final Subdivision Plan – A letter written by Mr. Carpenter on behalf of Ralph and Linda Deitch has been accepted by Mrs. Sandy Frye, Cumberland County Tax Assessor, and has permitted Ralph and Linda Deitch to meet the requirements to move forward with this plan. Mr. Geistwhite made a motion to recommend submission of the DEP module for the Ralph and Linda Deitch Preliminary/Final Subdivision Plan revised August 2, 2004. Mr. Shughart seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. In conjunction with the same plan, Mr. Geistwhite made a motion to approve the seven waivers requested on the front of the plan dated August 2, 2004, subject to the review of the Township Engineer. Mr. Shughart seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Hoover Engineering Services/90-day Extension for Appalachian Estates – Mr. Geistwhite made a motion to grant a 90 day extension for the review period for Appalachian Estates. Mr. Shughart seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Resolution 2004-14 – Solicitor Brenneman deferred to the Supervisors to approve Resolution 2004-14, permitting Arro Engineering to conduct electrical inspections for the Township. Mr. Geistwhite made a motion to approve Resolution 2004-14. Mr. Shughart seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

New Phone System Allocation – Mr. Geistwhite made a motion to utilize funds from the Township General Fund to pay for the new phone system. Mr. Shughart seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

American Electrical Inspections Inc. – Mr. Ken Smith met with the Supervisors to request permission to be placed on the list of electrical inspectors for the Township. Mr. Geistwhite made a motion to allow American Electrical Inspections, Inc. to be placed on the list of electrical inspectors by resolution. Mr. Shughart seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Carlisle Electronics, Inc./Keystone Arms – Mr. Carpenter presented the Supervisors with a letter he received from Carlisle Electronics indicating they have received no response from Penn Dot in regards to discussion of the proposed closure of the left hand turn signal there. Penn Dot plans to close the left hand turn signal at Carlisle Electronics and Carpet Tyme due to the negative traffic impact brought about by the proposed installation of a left hand turn signal at the Keystone Arms development. Carlisle Electronics is very concerned about the negative impact this would have on their business as well as the Carpet Type business next door to them. Mr. Geistwhite made a motion to permit Mrs. Justh to send a letter to the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation on behalf of Carlisle Electronics requesting a meeting where Township officials would be present. Mr. Shughart seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Chairman Shughart made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 p.m. Mr. Geistwhite seconded the motion and the meeting was adjourned.