

**MIDDLESEX TOWNSHIP
SUPERVISORS MEETING
OCTOBER 6, 1999**

OFFICIALS PRESENT:	SUPERVISORS:	Robert Eppley Joe Capuano Chuck Shughart
	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

Chairman Robert Eppley called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM in the Middlesex Township Municipal Building. Mr. Kessler then led the assembly in the pledge to the flag.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion by Mr. Shughart seconded by Mr. Capuano the minutes of 1 & 17 September were approved.

AUTHORIZE PAYMENT OF BILLS

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

General Fund Checks # 9184 thru #9302	\$ 51,299.38
Escrow Fund Checks #102 thru #104	2,544.00
K-9 Fund #101	2,225.00
Transfer for Payroll #18, #19	53,620.58

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION – Mr. Bob Snyder asked if the Township had an Ordinance for barking dogs? Keith Brenneman explained that such an Ordinance concerning the volume of sound is impossible to enforce. Chief Sherman explained that it could be addressed in a civil suit.

REPORTS

SOLICITOR: Mr. Keith Brenneman explained that the collection of engineering inspection fees is done by an additional amount being tacked on to improvement security. The Township Ordinance allows for the collection of those fees by billing the developer. Mr. Brenneman ask the Board to authorize a resolution to be drawn up to allow for the collection of those fees simply by billing. Mr. Shughart made a motion to allow Mr. Brenneman to draw up a resolution to bill the developer for the engineering inspection fees. Mr. Capuano seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

ENGINEER: Engineer Grove reported that the weight limit study for Country Club Road has been started and as soon as the analysis is complete the Township will have a report.

POLICE: Report ordered to file. Supervisor Shughart told the Chief that he was glad to actually see an arrest for littering.

ZONING: Report ordered to file.

RECREATION: Presented by Bob Snyder and ordered to file. Seniors report was also read, acknowledging the death of former Secretary Ann MacNamara with a moment of silence. The Seniors will have a breakfast meeting on Friday and a picnic at the park pavilion in the near future.

FIRE/EMC: Report ordered to file. Chief Beam attended a hearing on the benefits for the fire fighters and the release of information with regards to spills that cross boundaries. How and when spills are reported and what happens inside the terminals when there is a spill. Chief Beam also reported that the records are being updated in the computer for the year 2000 for those individuals with health emergencies. Mr. Beam also reminded the Board that Fire Prevention Week is this week.

MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY – No report at this time.

SECRETARY: Secretary Justh reported that Trick or Treat will be celebrated on Thursday, October 28, from 6 PM to 8PM. Mrs. Justh reported that Gov. Ridge changed the 2000 New Year's Day holiday from December 31, 1999 to Monday, January 3, 2000. Because this makes January 3rd the legal holiday, the annual organizational meeting for townships will be moved to Tuesday, January 4th, 2000, and the auditor's organizational meeting will be held Wednesday, January 5th, 2000. Mrs. Justh reported that our electric provided will be changing for next year and we need to sign the appropriate papers. Mr. Shughart made a motion agreeing to go with the Central Pennsylvania Energy Consortium. Mr. Capuano seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

AWARDING OF HOLLOW BROOK ROAD BID. Chief Sherman recommended that the Supervisors do not award the bid. Mr. Capuano made a motion to refuse any and all bids at this time. Mr. Shughart seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

(#99013) RUTH C KESSLER – PRELIMINARY/FINAL SUBDIVISION PLAN – Mr. Carpenter explained that the plan is to add $\frac{3}{4}$ acres on to the basic lot with the meets and distances shown on the plan. Mr. Grove did not have any comments on the plans. Mr. Capuano made a motion on the Ruth C. Kessler plan prepared by Curfman and Zullinger dated 9/17/99 to grant the waiver of Preliminary/Final Subdivision Plan. Mr. Shughart seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Mr. Capuano made a motion to approve the plan seconded by Mr. Shughart and passed unanimously. Mr. Carpenter explained that a PA DEP Form B – non-building waiver

for residual property was also needed. Mr. Capuano made a motion seconded by Mr. Shughart and passed unanimously.

DAVID DUNCAN – 13 PARADISE DRIVE – HOLDING TANK SECURITY DEPOSIT –

Mr. Carpenter reported that David Duncan has an existing cesspool at his residence not a septic system, but wants to update his system. Mr. Duncan has been denied a sand mound and needs to have a holding tank requiring a \$500.00 application fee and \$3,500.00 maintenance fee. Mr. Capuano told Mr. Duncan that he needs to put the tank in. The fees are a safe guard for the Township because the Township is ultimately responsible if the system fails. Keith told the Board of Supervisors he can get the tank installed and the fees can be resolved later. The Supervisors were all in agreement that the tank needs to be installed and a decision will be made for the next Township Meeting.

MUNICIPAL ANIMAL PROTECTION SERVICES AGREEMENT - Mr. Shughart made a motion that the Township should contribute \$250.00 quarterly to the Humane Society as we did in the past year. Mr. Shughart made a motion to adopt the agreement with quarterly payments of \$250.00. Mr. Capuano seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

TRAFFIC SIGNAL MAINTENANCE CONTRACT – Chief Sherman asked the Supervisors to allow him to put the Traffic Signals out to bid. Mr. Capuano made a motion to allow Chief Sherman to bid the Traffic Lights. Chief Sherman suggested that the Street Lights need to have a maintenance agreement which we did not have maintenance the first year. This will change the assessment for the Street Light Taxes, since no maintenance had been included. Mrs. Justh will get the figures to Mr. Brenneman before the end of November.

RESOLUTION 99-15 DESIGNATING THE WEST SHORE TAX BUREAU AS THE TOWNSHIP COLLECTION AGENT – Mr. Shughart made a motion to adopt resolution 99-15 designating the West Shore Tax Bureau as the township Collection Agent. Mr. Capuano seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

ADOPTION OF THE 2000 WEST SHORE TAX BUREAU BUDGET – Mr. Capuano made a motion to adopt the 2000 West Shore Tax Bureau Budget. Mr. Shughart seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

RESOLUTION 99-16 ESTABLISHING A COMPLETE COUNT COMMITTEE FOR THE YEAR 2000 CENSUS – Mr. Capuano made a few remarks about the need to complete the census forms when they arrive for the upcoming year. Mr. Carpenter and Mrs. Justh will be working with the committee and help to get a complete count. Mr. Capuano made a motion to adopt Resolution 99-16. Mr. Shughart seconded the motion, it passed unanimously.

MEMBERSHIP IN THE GREATER CARLISLE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE – Mr. Shughart suggested that we should not belong to this organization. Mr. Capuano explained that the organization is good for business, but not necessary for the Township to be a member. Mr. Shughart made a motion to void the check and not join the Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Capuano agreed to the motion and it passed unanimously.

A Township resident asked if anyone saw a collie running lose in the Township.

HOLLOW BROOK ROAD BRIDGE - Mrs. Jane Crosswhite would like to encourage the Township to reinforce the Bridge in its present appearance, noting its historical value. Mrs. Crosswhite wants to be notified if any action is taken because the bridge greatly affects her property. Mr. Capuano explained that the bridge is not worth saving. Mr. Capuano explained that the bridge has to disappear and it is very expensive to get involved with grants. Mr. Shughart explained that the safety of the bridge is foremost. The Township will be struggling with the budget in the next couple of weeks, and we are not against trying to get aid or grants, but we can not get involved with too much expense.

Mr. Capuano made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8.05 to go into Executive session. Mr. Shughart seconded the motion.