

MIDDLESEX TOWNSHIP
SUPERVISORS MEETING
DECEMBER 2, 1998

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

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM in the Middlesex Township Municipal Building by Chairman Robert Eppley. Supervisor Chuck Shughart then led the assembly in the pledge to the flag.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion by Mr. Shughart which was seconded by Mr. Capuano the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of 4 and 20 November.

AUTHORIZE PAYMENT OF BILLS

On a motion by Mr. Shughart, seconded by Mr. Capuano and passed unanimously, the Board approved payment of bills represented by the bill list for November, summarized as follows:

General Fund Checks # 7804 thru 7908	\$ 44,059.21
Rec Program Fund #162 thru 167	3,540.52
Pension Fund #177	1,997.84
Cap Res Rec Checking #149	1,000.00
Transfer to Payroll Fund	45,458.37

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION: Inez Thornton -Bernheisel Bridge Road asked if the Supervisors had made a decision on the study of Bernheisel Bridge Road, as to whether to post the road at this time. Mr. Capuano indicated that the study had not been completed, but that Mr. Grove would have a report later tonight.

Township resident Mr. Mel Spahr of Wertzville Road defended the value and the beauty of Shady Lane as a place for "Lover's" to enjoy.

Mr. Fred Norman stated that the conditions on Sunnyside Drive and Rt. #944 need to be studied for traffic. Chief Sherman indicated that the traffic on #944 is really close to maximum. Mr. Norman suggested that the police patrol that area more. Chief Sherman indicated that it is very hard to station an officer there at all times. Chief Sherman told Mr. Norman that after hearing the police report I think he would understand why. Mr. Norman had a suggestion to change the sign at the top of the hill on Rt. #34 to allow right turn for local traffic, where a "no right hand turn" is

now in place. Solicitor Brenneman stated that a sign for "local traffic only" may be hard to enforce. Mr. Capuano indicated that Rt. 34 no right hand turn can be discussed with Penndot when the Sunnyside Drive & Rt. #944 is discussed. Mr. Norman asked if 2 stop signs could be put on Sunnyside Drive at the base of the hill. Mr. Capuano indicated that a meeting will take place when Penndot has the plans ready and at that time we may be able to question the "no right turn" on Rt. #34.

Mr. Tracy Gleim of Sherwood Drive stated the if Bernheisel Bridge Road has a truck restriction placed on it, how are local farmers going to access their property with grain and fertilizer with the weight restriction on the bridge on Wolfs Bridge Road and weight restriction on North Middlesex Road. The speed limit of 30 mile an hour is very hard to maintain on that Bernheisel Bridge Road, I would like to know who came up with it.

Mr. Mike Thorton told the Supervisors that Rt. #114 is less than 3 ½ miles away from Bernheisel Bridge Road. Why can't Rt. #114 be used as an alternate route?

Mr. Robert Eppley stated that we have to be careful not to dump our traffic onto another Township.

Mr. Bud Grove stated that he had a report to give, but he may as well give it now. Based on the Geometry of Bernheisel Bridge Road the study is not done and there are about 4 or 5 items that need to be done. First an alternate route needs to be found, then a Geometric and structural analyze need to be complete. The speed limit change was based on actual driving tests conducted by Grove Associates. Bernheisel Bridge Road should be considered a major collector of the Township.

REPORTS

SOLICITOR: Mr. Brenneman reported that Triple Crown had filed an appeal on the Supervisors decision and Mary will distribute copies of the Appeal later. Mr. Brenneman also reported on the status of the On-Lot Septic Management Ordinance and made a recommendation that it be brought up at the Workshop Meeting.

ENGINEER: Mr. Grove reported that Keen Transport 18 month Maintenance Security will expire on December 5 and a final inspection of the property will take place on Friday the 4th. Mr. Grove indicated that when the inspection is complete the security can be released. Mr. Grove also indicated that the Keen Shop Addition 18 month Maintenance Security will expire January 9, 1999 and the Supervisors can take action of either or both tonight subject to an inspection. Mr. Capuano made a motion to release the Keen Transport Security of December 5, 1998 subject to the Engineer being satisfied that it meets all Township requirements. Mr. Shughart made a second and it passed unanimously. Mr. Grove stated that Meadowbrook Farms for Phase I has requested that the Township accept the street dedication that had been denied because the As-built Survey had not been received. There are five items on the As-built:

1. 1030.a The location of concrete monuments (as actually set) must be shown,
2. 1303.c Sanitary sewer mains, manholes and laterals must be shown,
3. 1303.e Water mains and fire hydrants must be shown,
4. 1030.f Street light locations must be shown, with a waiver of
5. 1303.g landscaping, for which a letter of credit is being held.

Mr. Grove stated that when the

As-Built Plan is submitted and approved, \$16,510.00 in maintenance security and a deed of dedication are received the Supervisors will then be able to take action.

POLICE: Presented by Chief Sherman and ordered to file. Mr. Capuano stated what a fine job the Police Department is doing with the number of full-time and part-time employees. Mr. Shughart mentioned that some surrounding Townships rely on the State Police, who are already over worked. Mr. Eppley mentioned that the Chief is working when some of the residents are sleeping.

ZONING: Presented by Mr. Carpenter and ordered to file. Mr. Carpenter commented that the Chief had delivered a copy of the Agreement to Mrs. Sheaffer concerning how the Township will handle the accumulation of junk on her property. Mr. Eppley asked how the Carlisle Truck Salvage is doing with the cleanup. Mr. Carpenter feels that they are making progress.

RECREATION: Presented by Bob Snyder and ordered to file. Mr. Snyder gave a brief report on the Senior Citizens Group. The next Senior Citizens Group Meeting will be January 18th.

FIRE/EMC: Presented by Fire Chief Beam and ordered to file.

MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY – Supervisor Capuano reported on a 5 percent increase by the Municipal Authority for next year. Mr. Capuano also stated that the Fetrow Acres and Ironstone Ridge studies, if the State mandates action be taken, may become a real hardship for the residents of these areas. Mr. Capuano stated that the Governor of Pennsylvania has been spending large amounts of money on sports stadiums for the State maybe we need to write to our Representatives with our concerns for water and sewer in our Township. Chairman Eppley made a motion to have Secretary Justh write a letter to our Congressman and Senator with Township concerns.

SECRETARY: No report at this time.

OLD BUSINESS

(#98020) All American Plazas, Inc., Soco Preliminary/Final Subdivision Plan – Presenting the plans are Mr. Bud Mistifer and Mr. Akens. Solicitor Grove and Mr. Carpenter indicated that everything was in order for the approval of the plan. Mr. Capuano made a motion to approve the waivers on the plan dated 9/23/98 and revised 11/25/98 ; 1. (717) Traffic Impact Study, 2. (718) Environmental Impact Assessment Report, 3. (709) Sidewalks, 4. (710) Curbs 5. (602.c,1001) Stormwater Management 6. (602.d) Erosion and Sediment Pollution Control. Mr. Shughart seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Mr. Capuano made a motion to approve the preliminary/final subdivision plan for the All American Plaza. Seconded by Mr. Shughart and passed unanimously.

(#9021) Petro/All American Stopping Center Preliminary/Final Subdivision Plan - Engineer Grove indicated that the plans were in order. Mr. Carpenter asked that a note be added to the plans indicating that a lack of sufficient parking on an existing non-conforming lot needs to

be noted so that future development will provide sufficient parking upon that lot. Mr. Capuano made a motion to approve the Petro/All American Stopping Center prepared by Akens Engineering dated 11/27/98 with the following 7 waivers; 1. (501.p) Existing and Proposed Contours, 2. (602.c) Stormwater Management Plan 3. (602.d) Erosion & Sedimentation Pollution Control Plan, 4. (709) Sidewalks, 5. (710) Curbs, 6. (717) Traffic Impact Study, 7. (718) Environmental Impact Assessment Report. Mr. Shughart seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Mr. Capuano made a motion to approve the Preliminary/Final Petro/All American Stopping Center Plan with a note added to the plans indicating that a lack of sufficient parking is an existing non-conforming condition, and any future development of that lot must provide sufficient parking. Mr. Shughart seconded and the motion was approved unanimously. Mr. Carpenter gave an update on another plan (#98022) from Mr. Akens and Mr. Mistifer that is before the Planning Commission and regardless of what has been printed in the newspaper it is a good plan and the Township has done nothing to delay the Plan. The Planning Commission decided that the Plan will be considered a Preliminary/Final Plan in an effort to expedite the plan, with a February 3rd deadline. It will be ready for the workshop meeting on December 18th.

Giant Food Stores, Inc. Traffic Agreement Bill of Sale – Mr. Capuano made a motion to accept the bill of sale from Giant Food for the traffic signal since they have met all the obligations of construction. The electric for the light will be Giant's responsibility.

Adoption of 1999 Budget – Mr. Shughart made a motion to adopt the 1999 budget. Seconded by Mr. Capuano and passed unanimously.

Letter from Dale F. Shughart, Jr., Attorney at Law – Secretary Justh reported that Attorney Shughart asked to have the minutes changed to reflect his comments. After review of the tape Mr. Carpenter and Mrs. Justh decided that the recorded minutes were not materially different than what was actually on the tape, therefore the minutes will stand as approved.

Appointment to the (Letort Regional Authority) Rivers Conservation Project – The Board of Supervisors asked Secretary Justh to table the appointment to the Workshop Meeting, December 18th at 7:30 AM.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:22 PM on a motion by Mr. Capuano, seconded by Mr. Eppley.