

SUPERVISORS MEETING
AGENDA

JUNE 10, 1975

CALL TO ORDER

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

TREASURER'S REPORT

CORRESPONDENCE

OLD BUSINESS

- (1) Report on New Flood Plain Maps (Jeff Roush)
- (2) Police Report Action

NEW BUSINESS

- (1) Record Keeping System - Bartell Assocs. of State College
- (2) Herbert Stenger - Youth Service Bureau - to discuss Bureau's present and future
- (3) Set Hearing Date - Kissinger Rezoning, Adopt Occupational Privilege Tax Ordinance (June 23, 1975)

PLANS FOR APPROVAL

- (1) Subdivision of Lots 2 and 2A for Harold T. Breon, et ux, formerly a portion of J. Kenneth Walker Farm
- (2) Subdivision of Lot #29 in Centre Hills Village owned by Peter R. and Johanna Gould for Jaan and Judith Kiusalaas

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- (1) Centre Hills Decision (State Supreme Court)
- (2) Charles Rallis - Appeal to Commonwealth Court of Pennsylvania
- (3) Presentation of Bi-Centennial Flag - Thursday June 12, 1975 at 7:00 P.M.

OPEN DISCUSSION

ADJOURNMENT

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD
BY THE COLLEGE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
IN THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING
JUNE 10, 1975

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Elwood Williams at 7:30 p.m. with Mr. Trotter and Mr. Ziegler in attendance.

The Minutes of the meeting held May 13, 1975 were read and corrected as follows:

Page 12, Line 3 - change the time from 4:00 p.m. to 4:15 p.m.

Page 12, Line 8 - change Depositor to Depository.

Mr. Trotter moved that the Minutes be approved as corrected. Mr. Williams seconded this motion.

The Minutes of the Special Meeting held May 23, 1975 were read and corrected as follows:

Page 3, Item No. 5, Lines 13 and 14 - change the Borough of State College's Revenue Sharing to the Council of Governments.

It was moved by Mr. Trotter and seconded by Mr. Williams that the Minutes be approved as corrected.

The Treasurer's report was given as follows:

Balance as of May 1, 1975	\$31,205.66
Deposits made during May	30,901.91
Balance	62,107.57
Expenditures for May	25,502.45
Balance as of June 1, 1975	\$36,605.12

It was moved by Mr. Trotter and seconded by Mr. Williams that the Treasurer's report be accepted. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

A letter dated June 5, 1975 was read from Mr. Ernest Johnson addressed to Mr. Elwood Williams, Sr., of the Supervisors of College Township. He was disturbed by the recent article in the Pennsylvania Mirror with regard to the dismantling of the quadriplex building by its new owner, Nuri Mohsenin, and the possibility of his re-erecting this structure on the south side of the property he owns at 800 Elmwood Street, adjacent to Spring Creek. His main opposition to Mr. Mohsenin's placing the quadriplex on the property was that it would detract from and lessen the value of adjoining property if for no other reason than the lack of sufficient off-street parking.

"Auxiliary questions" which he stated that remain to be answered are (1) the problem of locating this building on an ordained flood plain; (2) the existence of a large sewer main in the middle of the proposed location; (3) the limited amount of usable ground for this proposed structure since this portion of the "lot" is divided by Spring Creek.

A copy of a letter from Nuri Mohsenin to Mr. Johnson, in reply, was also read. Mr. Mohsenin thanked him for his letter and that he appreciated his concern for the quality of the neighborhood, and submitted the following answers to his questions.

1. the quadriplex is being demolished and will not be re-erected at the site on Elmwood Street.
2. the duplex house at 824-828 will remain as a two-family house. He has no plans to add any more units in that building even though he has obtained the required variance and the building permit.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

COLLEGE TOWNSHIP

1481 EAST COLLEGE AVE.

STATE COLLEGE, PA. 16801

NOTICE

A SPECIAL MEETING WILL BE HELD BY THE SUPERVISORS ON
MAY 23, 1975 AT 4:00 P.M. IN THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING TO TAKE
CARE OF THE FOLLOWING BUSINESS:

- (1) AMEND ORDINANCE #25 - PENNSYLVANIA SEWAGE FACILITIES
ACT
- (2) PASS A RESOLUTION SETTING PERMIT FEES FOR ON-SITE
SEWAGE SYSTEMS
- (3) OPEN BIDS FOR ROAD ROLLER
- (4) DESIGNATE FARMERS NATIONAL BANK AS DEPOSITOR FOR
STATE ACCOUNT
- (5) ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT MAY BE PROPERLY BROUGHT
BEFORE THE BOARD.

BY THE BOARD


Chairman

May 22, 1975
Date

3. the present four buildings on one lot that Mr. Johnson referred to are actually situated on two lots zoned C-1 and R-3 on 2.6 acres subdivision of the former owner, Mr. George Bohn.
 - a. The building at 2019 East Branch Road was converted to a three-unit apartment in 1970-71. The unit at 852 Elmwood Street remained as a one-unit apartment. The four car garage was converted to a single unit house in 1974. These two buildings are located on a 1.1 acre corner lot.
 - b. The other two buildings are presently on a second lot 1.5 acres zoned R-3. The building at 834 Elmwood contains two units, one on each floor.

He further stated that the work done to these buildings to date has met the electrical, heating, plumbing and housing requirements of the Centre Region Council of Governments. He included a description of the tenants occupying the buildings, and stated that off-street parking has been provided for 12 cars on two parking lots for the nine rental units. Concerning any future development at the lower end of this property, the following clarifications were made:

- a. This portion of the property, being 1.5 acres zoned R-3, can be developed for up to 12 units without any variance or special exceptions, according to our Zoning Ordinance. Currently there are only four units on this lot.
- b. The largest portion of this lot has recently been deleted from the flood plain.
- c. There is a sewer easement on the lot but obviously no one is permitted to build a structure on a sewer easement.
- d. The division of the lot by the creek does not limit the availability of land for a building development on this lot. The Ordinance regulates the open space, land covered by the building, and other details.

In conclusion he wished to assure Mr. Johnson that whatever he did in the future with this property should enhance the value of his property as well as the quality of the neighborhood.

Since Mr. Mohsenin had answered Mr. Johnson's questions, no action was taken by the Supervisors.

A letter dated May 28, 1975, from Bruce E. Speegle, P.E., Department of Transportation, Clearfield, Pa. was read. Mr. Speegle stated that Mrs. Pat Kauffman, 411 Pike Street, Lemont, had contacted him relative to her driveway approach to Pike Street which she felt was very hazardous. This situation was reviewed with her by one of the District Traffic Representatives and was determined to be very hazardous. They advised her to contact the Supervisors to request they consider putting up a "Driveway" sign in advance of her driveway. If the Supervisor have any questions regarding this matter to contact a member of this Section at 814-765-5361, Ext. 293.

The Supervisors felt they could really get involved if they started to put up "Driveway" signs in the Township. Mr. Williams said the only suggestion he had in a case like this would be to pass an ordinance that the private property owner would have to buy the sign and this would be put up at the designated location, less than 100 feet for clearance and site distance. Mr. Trotter asked if there was any evidence to indicate that they do any good anyway? He felt they didn't. Mrs. Kauffman had not contacted the Supervisors prior to the meeting.

A copy of a letter dated May 23, 1975, from Reed McCormick to Mr. Ernest Bergman was read. Mr. McCormick wrote to him as Chairman of the Centre Regional Council of Governments concerning tax collection and the efficiency and uniformity of same in College Township and the Centre Region. This was

brought to his attention by Mr. Roger Johnson, College Township Tax Collector. Mr. McCormick requested that the letter be referred to the appropriate committee to consider methods to standardize the policies of the various townships and the State College Borough. Mr. Johnson suggested a computer list of employees and residents be considered. Mr. McCormick is willing to appear before the Council or Committee to define the problems and suggest possible solutions if such a meeting could be arranged.

Mr. Trotter reported that that letter had come before the Advisory Board and it was the suggestion of the Board that they appoint a subcommittee made up of the tax collectors of the municipalities to coordinate this effort. He felt the difficult problem was to determine in which municipality each resident lives. Mr. Williams mentioned another problem was that such places as the Hospital, Corning Glass, etc. are paying their taxes to the Borough and not to our tax collector. These are just a few of the problems that have to be

~~Missolved.~~ Resolved.

Mr. Trotter stated the tax collectors know the problems best and they would be a subcommittee to formulate a recommendation that would, in turn, come back to COG.

A copy of a letter dated May 16, 1975, to Mrs. Carol Foster, 204 East Hamilton Avenue, State College, from Robert Ayer, Director of Parks and Recreation, was read. This letter was in response to a letter from Mrs. Foster in which she cited an incident that had happened to her and her child at the Spring Creek Park recently where her child fell into the stream. Mr. Ayer felt the answer was in better education of the users of the park of the potential danger of the creek for use by young children and the need for close supervision by

those in charge of youngsters when they are in or near the creek area.

OLD BUSINESS

A report on the new Flood Plain Maps. The Township received revised Special Flood Hazard Boundary Maps from the engineering firm of Gannett, Fleming, Corddry and Carpenter, Inc. These are the engineers who were supposed to have contacted the Township to review the maps with the Zoning Officer but to date have not done so. He reviewed the maps and found a few minor corrections to be made yet, such as: the labelling of Spring Creek as Slab Cabin Run and vice versa, also Cedar Run be labelled as such, and that one minor portion not marked as Special Flood Hazard on the new maps be included (located at the ^{Busher} Bathurst property).

When these are returned to the firm with the desired changes yet to be made, then they will be returned to the Township as the official Township Special Flood Hazard Maps.

Police Report Action. Mr. Ziegler summarized the Board's action to date. The Supervisors have studied the report very thoroughly and it has been very well covered by the two local newspapers. The discussion on contracting was continued. A memorandum from Carl B. Fairbanks, Borough Manager, was received concerning the subject contractual police services. The Borough would provide a minimum of 140 hrs./week patrol coverage along with all administrative, staff, planning and specialized functions of the State College Police Department. Those hours when there is no active patrol in the Township a complaint response will be maintained. The proposed cost of this service for 1975 is \$4,896.00 per month or a total of \$29,376.00 for the remaining 6 months, assuming that a contractual agreement took effect July 1, 1975. They further expect to negotiate with the Township for the purchase of the police cruiser and radio equipment

consisting of one mobile unit and two portable units. In addition they would expect that any monies received from the State Foreign Casualty Tax Fund to be used for police pensions would be turned over to the Borough for use in their police pension fund.

If these figures are found to be agreeable and the Township agrees to contract police services from the Borough they would require some time to draw contractual agreements, hire personnel and in general complete the many fine details not set forth in his memorandum.

The list of expenditures for the Township Police Department for 6 months of this year (December 1, 1974 - May 31, 1975) amount to \$17,833.21 plus \$4,349.00 for a police car or a total expense of \$22,182.21. The amount budgeted for the Department for 1975 was \$55,000.00, leaving a balance of \$27,166.79 to be used for the remaining 6 months.

Application for a grant was discussed and was felt it would not be worthwhile to apply for this year but that the paperwork should be started in order to obtain the grant for next year.

Mr. Ziegler made reference to Pages 39 and 40 of the Police Report where Mr. Orndorf recommends the Township contract for law enforcement services from the State College Police Department under the 6 conditions set forth. These 6 items were read and discussed.

It was asked what guarantee the residents would get that they would receive their fair share of coverage and manpower? Would there be some patrol logs and reports? A daily log is kept and a regular report would be sent to the Township. This log can be checked at any time in the Borough.

Would there be more patrols in the future than there ^{are} now? It was felt there would probably be more patrolling than there is now because the Township Police now spend a great deal of time doing the paperwork and making out reports which they wouldn't do if contracted.

The question of whether the policemen would be familiar with the area or not? The police will be instructed on this subject very thoroughly before going on duty. It was mentioned that there are a number of police on the State College Force who are residents of College Township and that among the problems experienced now in the Township is one of too much "folksieness". It was mentioned by one of the residents present that if a policeman answered a call, ^{it} didn't matter if he was known but it did matter whether or not he knew what he was doing.

Mr. Ziegler said he anticipated less patrols because on Whitehall Road he is now patrolled by both the Borough and Township Police where in the future there will only be one.

Mr. Ziegler moved that negotiations begin immediately for contractual police services with the State College Borough for the Township. Mr. Trotter seconded and Mr. Williams supported this motion. The motion was unanimously passed.

NEW BUSINESS

Record Keeping System. A copy of a memorandum was read from Chief of Police Elwood G. Williams, Jr., State College Borough, to members of COG Public Safety Committee. The Borough Public Safety Committee and Chief Williams have been exploring with Bartell Associates of State College, the cost of evaluating, designing and implementing an updated records system in the State College Police Department with the thought in mind of a possible regional record center to serve the entire Centre Region. It was believed through the joint efforts of each municipality Bartell Associates could be hired to evaluate the records systems to determine the exact needs of an integrated and complete records system for the entire Centre Region. It was felt the system could be standardized

making for quicker access to information of a similar nature. A list of 11 items was stated as to what a complete records system should do. A list of 12 items was indicated as to what the system when completed will do as proposed by Bartell Associates.

The proposed cost is \$4,000.00 for training 3 men, a major portion is for evaluation, analysis, and development of the system. The remaining costs are for systems manual and implementation guidelines, master copies of each form to be used in the system as well as a field officer's briefcase, one for each department. Based on COG formula for cost sharing, each municipality's costs would be as follows:

State College Borough	(48.55)	\$1,942.00
College Township	(13.65)	546.00
Ferguson Township	(16.38)	655.20
Harris Township	(7.07)	282.80
Patton Township	(14.35)	574.00

They are encouraging this type of system in order that all agencies would be using the same reporting and records keeping system which would be extremely beneficial to law enforcement in our region.

Since College Township has decided to contract with the Borough, it was felt this should be the Borough's decision and this would be included in the contract for services.

Youth Service Bureau. Miss Nancy Slaybaugh, Administrative Director of the Bureau, was present to discuss the Bureau's financial position at the present time and the future. She is seeking support from each of the municipalities for their 11 programs. The Bureau operates on a Federal Grant. At the present time they are faced with a financial crisis. They are required to match the Federal dollar with a certain percentage. Last year they lost \$73,000 in

anticipated funding through grants. With the help of Senator Ammerman and Representative Dreibelbis, this was traced to a single desk in the Department of Welfare in Harrisburg and at that point there was no further records of that money or anything. Miss Slaybaugh said they have Registered Postal Receipts of records and documents going to that office but the office has no record of them being there anywhere. They are still trying to track them down. This amount included \$62,000 in a General Grant and \$8,000 in a Welfare Grant.

The question of this being a legal expenditure for a ^{2nd} Second Class Township was noted. It was felt this is now an approved expenditure but will be checked out to be certain. Mr. Ziegler felt they should have something in writing.

Mr. Trotter felt this was a regional service and asked why they weren't being approached through COG. She said they had considered that but felt it would be to their advantage if they approached the individual municipalities to find out how they felt about this before going to COG. They possibly would receive more support from COG then.

Mr. Ziegler was in agreement with Mr. Trotter that it was a regional service but he had heard a lot about how much money the Commissioners have to turn back each year and questioned why this couldn't be used to help out in situations such as this.

The Bureau does receive a very small amount from the United Way. The Bureau's budget for this year is \$283,000 of which \$3,000 is from that fund.

The Board looked favorably on this request but will do nothing until the expenditure is proven legal. Miss Slaybaugh asked that they be considered when the Township's budget is set up next year.

Hearing Date for Kissinger Rezoning and Adoption of Occupational Privilege Tax Ordinance. A memorandum from the Planning Commission Chairman, Ronald Weis, stating their recommendation on the Gordon Kissinger Rezoning Request was read as follows:

"At their regular meeting held on April 17, 1975, the Planning Commission voted to recommend the rezoning of a parcel of land owned by Gordon Kissinger as shown on a map of Gordon Kissinger dated 7/30/71, from R-1 to C-1 and request a public hearing be scheduled as required by law."

"It is felt that this is a beneficial change in zoning as it links an isolated parcel of land zoned C-1 to the C-2 Commercial land of the Hills Plaza."

A hearing date has been set for Monday, June 23, 1975, at 7:30 p.m. Also the Occupational Privilege Tax Ordinance will be adopted and any other business that may come before the Board.

PLANS FOR APPROVAL

Replot of Lots 2 and 2A for Farmers National Bank. A review of this plan was made and a discussion was held. The condition set forth by the Planning Commission was that the word "Replot" be changed to "Subdivision". This change has been made.

It was moved by Mr. Trotter, seconded by Mr. Ziegler that this Plan be approved. Mr. Williams supported this motion and it was carried.

Subdivision of Lot #29 in Centre Hills Village owned by Peter R. and Johanna Gould for Jaan and Judith Kiusalaas. This plan had been previously presented to the Planning Commission by Engineer Andrew Knapka and approved with conditions. In the meantime, the Engineers for this plan have changed and the original copy was not transferred which had the signatures of the Planning Commission. Therefore, the present engineer, Stan Hoy, drew up another original copy of the plan with the conditions included as set forth by the Commission. He asked the Supervisors for their conditional approval in order to get the Planning Commission's signatures and return for the Supervisors' signatures without waiting for another meeting.

Mr. Trotter moved the Board approve the plan with the condition of approval of the Planning Commission. Mr. Ziegler seconded and Mr. Williams supported this motion.

Mr. Andrew Knapka presented the Sketch-Preliminary Plan for subdivision of a tract of land (5.55 Acres) of Myrtle A. Stewart, for the Supervisors' signatures, a new procedure to be followed so the Supervisors know what is happening. The question of a fee was mentioned. It was decided this was a subdivision; consequently, no fee is charged and the plan can go from Sketch-Preliminary to Final.

Mr. Trotter moved the Board accept this document. Mr. Williams seconded this motion. Mr. Ziegler questioned the signing of this document. He felt that signing the plan was admitting that the land had been properly subdivided before which has been questioned. It was finally decided this was not the parcel of land that was illegally subdivided. A request had been made by the Planning Commission that the Final Plan show the entire parcel of land, including a lot/or lots under this ownership, previously transferred without subdivision.

and that all have been desiring Centre Video Cable service and have been unsuccessful in negotiating with them.

It was moved by Mr. Ziegler, seconded by Mr. Trotter and supported by Mr. Williams, that 25 MPH speed signs and "Children at Play" signs be placed along the Brush Valley Road at Oak Hall.

A presentation of a Bi-Centennial Flag to the Township will be made on Thursday, June 12, 1975 at 7:00 p.m. in front of the Township Building. A short ceremony will include an Invocation by Rev. Eveland, flag presented by J. Doyle Corman, Chairman of County Commissioners, a few words by Charles Mong, County Chairman of Bi-Centennial Committee and Mr. J. Marvin Lee, Township Chairman of Bi-Centennial Committee. The Boy Scouts will raise the flag on the pole.

This ceremony was held on June 12, 1975 but Mrs. Regie Thompson, County Commissioner, presented the flag to Mr. Lee.

The Township received a check in the amount of \$87,079.00 which is the Federal Government's share, paid through the State, of the Phase II Project for the Spring Creek Park. This payment will cancel the debt for the project.

Mrs. Taricani said she felt it should be mentioned that on November 22 the Township will be 100 years old - established November 22, 1875.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

John H. Ziegler
Secretary