

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE  
COLLEGE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
HELD AT THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING  
ON DECEMBER 4, 1973

The meeting of the College Township Board of Supervisors was called to order by Chairman Elwood Williams at 7:30 P.M. Other members present were Lester Weaver and Clarence Trotter.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved with the following correction: Page 3, Line 3, change Centre Regional Planning Commission to Centre Regional Finance Committee.

The Treasurer's Report was read as follows:

Balance for November 1, 1973	-----	\$18,246.56
Deposits for November	-----	28,133.88
Total Disbursements for November	-----	10,220.54
Balance for December 1, 1973	-----	36,159.90

It was moved by Mr. Trotter that the Treasurer's Report be accepted as read. This was seconded by Mr. Williams and motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

A letter was read from Mrs. Edward Coffman, property owner on corner of Pike & Mary Street, concerning the right-of-way of the Lemont-Coburn Railroad Line being offered for sale, indicating that she is in favor of making this a park or bike-hike trail.

A letter from Donald V. Joyce, Chairman of the College Township Park and Recreation Board, encouraging regional cooperation among the members of COG and with the Centre County Commissioners to purchase the right-of-way of the Lemont-Coburn Railroad Line so that it is not lost for the future.

No action was taken on these letters until this can be checked out with the Solicitor as to legality of this situation. It was mentioned that possibly some of the deeds were set up that when the Railroad had no further use for this land it would revert back to the estate of the landowner. Also the Board would like to wait until more comments are received on this.

A Resolution from the College Township Association Secretary, Barbara Dean, was read in which they urged the Supervisors of College Township to consider an addition to the Industrial Development Authority of a member, in good standing, of the College Township Planning Commission. They felt this to be in the best interest of all the residents of the Township.

It was mentioned by Mr. Williams that there is a member of the Planning Commission appointed to the Industrial Development Authority, Jay D. Struble.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

An Action Request from Ronald Short, Secretary of the Coordinating Committee, was read. The Township is to appoint an official member to the CRATS Coordinating and Technical Committees, and an alternate to these two committees.

They also requested that each municipality submit two names of residents in the municipality to be appointed to the Citizen Advisory Committee.

A discussion was held and it was moved by Mr. Weaver that Mr. Trotter be the Representative to the Coordinating Committee, and Mr. Williams as the Alternate. This was seconded by Mr. Williams and motion was carried. Mr. Trotter was in agreement.

It was moved by Mr. Weaver that Mr. Stan Hoy, the Township Engineer, remain as Representative to the Technical Committee and Mr. J. Carroll Dean serve as Alternate. This was seconded by Mr. Trotter and supported by Mr. Williams. Motion was carried.

The following names of residents were recommended from which two persons are to be appointed to the Citizens Advisory Committee to the CRATS Committee: Wes Kriebel, Frank McKelvey, Dan Stearns, and Susan Smith. The Supervisors will discuss this and decide on two.

A letter is to be sent from the Supervisors to the Secretary of the Coordinating Committee informing them of these appointments.

The next item on the Agenda was the CRATS Resolution which PennDOT has requested be signed by COG. The CRATS agreement that each municipality signed required Centre Regional Planning Commission services as specified in the adopted Work Program. However, the signed CRATS agreement referred to a resolution by COG and Centre County committing those same services as agreed to in the agreement. PennDOT lawyers insist that COG and the County adopt the resolution which was read, to make things complete. This would be adopted by COG at their December 17, 1973 Meeting.

It was moved by Mr. Williams that COG should adopt this Resolution. Mr. Trotter seconded this motion and Mr. Weaver supported it. Motion carried.

College Township has been asked by COG to participate in the County request for County/COG equal sharing for the ON DRUGS Program. The advantages pointed out were support of a useful and important program that services all Centre Region municipalities, and that this would set a precedent of County/COG sharing proportions for other programs such as Planning, Library, etc., in the future. College Township's share would be \$170. It was mentioned by Mr. Trotter and Mr. Williams that they have heard only good reports on this program. It was moved by Mr. Trotter that tentative approval of this program and sharing the costs in the amount of \$170 be given, pending on Legislation being passed to legalize support of this type of program. Mr. Weaver seconded this motion and Mr. Williams supported it. Motion was carried.

The Energy Crisis was discussed. A list of recommended measures from the Regional Planning Staff for immediate action by each municipality was discussed which included: passing an ordinance banning lighting of existing and future commercial and industrial identification or advertising signs during business hours, except for minimum security lighting; disapprove all subdivisions, mobile home parks, commercial developments or industrial facilities that would not be served by existing sewers, water or public transit; discourage all new development on the basis such will require fuel supplies which should be used for other purposes; establish a Monday-through-Thursday office work days with longer daily work time; use published Regional Parks & Open Space Plan to establish defined bikeways within the existing roadways; minimize leaf collection and urge citizens to use leaves as compost; cut down on vehicle uses for refuse pick-up; reduce municipal committee meetings, and that they be held during the day only; each municipality take action to organize and operate regional transit system. Also listed were ten items that families and individuals could take action on until

the energy crisis is alleviated. Mr. Trotter commented and objected to these items being legislated. Comments were received from residents attending the meeting. Mr. Trotter moved that the Board endorse the ideas behind the suggestions received from Regional Planning Staff but strongly oppose passing an ordinance. This was seconded by Mr. Williams and supported by Mr. Weaver. Motion was carried. A comment from a resident who agreed with them on this added that while most people support these objectives anything other than endorsement would be legislating people's lives. Another comment was that a list of township residents who are interested in forming a car-pool be made and kept in the Supervisors office as a reference when people call and inquire about this.

#### PLANS FOR APPROVAL

Dan Stearns' Final Plan for 2-Lot Subdivision on Rock Road known as Spring View Heights was presented to the Board for their approval. A discussion and review was held. Mr. Trotter moved that this Final Plan be approved. Mr. Williams seconded this motion and Mr. Weaver supported it. Motion was carried.

The Phasing Plan changes for the Calvin Zimmerman PENN HILLS PRD were presented by Stan Hoy. The change in the Phasing Plan was made in order that Mr. Zimmerman would have the deed to get a mortgage, hopefully before the first of the year, for the 10 acres that is to be developed first. He had contacted the Township Solicitor, Reed McCormick, as requested by the Regional Planning Commission, who suggested that the change be made.

It was indicated by the Representative of the Planning Commission that this Phasing Plan had not been presented for review by the Planning Commission.

No official action was taken on the Phasing Plan until the Planning Commission has reviewed and commented on this Plan but that a special meeting will be held as soon after the Planning Commission Meeting on December 20 as possible to act on this request.

In relation to the Plan change, it was asked if Mr. Zimmerman had contacted the Sewer Authority because they were going to withdraw their approval of this Plan if this change affected (decreased) the number of units that would be connected to the sewer. Mr. Zimmerman told them that he had contacted Mr. Allison informing him that there would not be a decrease in the number of units which would be connected. He indicated that he was reducing the number in one particular area but that the number would be added elsewhere in the Development.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

A meeting open to all citizens of College Township will be held by the Planning Commission to hear and discuss a proposal for a public transportation system. The meeting will be held in the All-Purpose Room of the Lemont Elementary School at 7:30 P.M. on Wednesday, January 9, 1974.

Centre Hills PRD is appealing the decision made by the Supervisors. A meeting has been set for December 14, 1973 at 9:00 A.M. to defend their position.

The regular Supervisors Meeting will be changed from 1st Tuesday in January, which is New Year's Day, to January 4, at 7:30 P.M. The Organizational Meeting will be held on Monday, January 7.

Dolores Taricani, Chairman of the Government Study Commission, gave a summary to the Board on what they have accomplished so far and what they have planned for their December 11 meeting.

Mrs. Claire Brown mentioned the fact that this meeting would probably be the last one for Mr. Weaver as Supervisor, except maybe for special meetings, and she wanted to thank him for his services these many years. The citizens in attendance indicated the same feeling.

It was asked if the Budget for next year was made up and if there was a possibility of getting more money for work in the Spring Creek Park. It was stated that there was a possibility, not this year, but probably in a couple of years.

It was also brought up about the special meeting on the illegal subdivisions, etc. which was supposed to be held. Mr. Williams said these meetings would be held the first of the year for sure.

It was mentioned about the parking of cars near the bridge at the Spring Creek Park and how they are almost running over the shrubs and trees that have been planted there. It was felt that maybe a fence should be put around this area.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,  
Lester Weaver, Secretary