MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
COLLEGE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
HELD AT THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING
ON APRIL 9, 1974

The meeting of the Board of Supervisors was called to order by Chairman Elwood Williams at 7:35 P.M. Other members present were Clarence Trotter and John Ziegler.

The Minutes of the meeting held March 12, 1974 were read and approved with the following correction:

Page 2, Under Old Business - Acceptance of Streets from J. Hutchison Mitchell, change the name of the street from Matilda Avenue to Dale Street.

The Treasurer's Report was read as follows:

Balance for March 1, 1974 ----------	$ 8,722.70
Deposits for March ----------	$15,814.57
Balance ----------	$24,537.27
Disbursements for March ----------	$18,915.72
Balance for April 1, 1974 ----------	$ 5,621.55

Mr. Trotter made the motion that the Treasurer's Report be accepted. Mr. Williams seconded it and motion was carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

A letter dated 4/8/74, hand-carried by Andrew Knapka from Herbert W. Stewart, was read by the Secretary. Mr. Stewart requested a change in Zoning on 17.475 acres of land along Traffic Route #26, adjacent to lands owned now or formerly by J. D. Struble and Russell H. Kline. This land is

currently zoned I-RD. He is requesting that this land be rezoned to C-1. This letter was referred to the Planning Commission for their recommendations.

OLD AND NEW BUSINESS

REPORT ON BISHOP PROPERTY (Trotter). An investigation was made by Mr. Hoy, Triangle Engineering, and Mr. Pat Partenheimer, Soil Conservation Service, on the soil types surrounding the Dr. Bishop barn which was built and believed to be in violation of the Flood Plain Ordinance. Mr. Hoy reported that their findings showed Dr. Bishop was not in violation. A report from Mr. Partenheimer is expected in the near future.

ILLEGAL SUBDIVISION DISCUSSION. The recommendations from the Planning Commission were read by the Secretary and discussed. The points stressed were:

Educating the Public - Enclose an "alert" message with tax bills, develop a buyer's guide explaining local ordinances, through cooperation of the public media, self-education which would include Township Officials visiting the County Recorder's Office to learn of process there.

Coordinated Approach - on Regional and Township basis.

Procedure - Use of Tax Map, check Real Estate Transfers, proof of subdivision when applying for a Zoning Permit, method to verify recording of Final Plans approved by Supervisors

Enforcement - should take place when the preceding steps have been carried out.

DAN STEARNS' SUBDIVISION SEWER REQUIREMENTS (Agreement with Sewer Authority). Questions were asked of Roger Granlund, member of the College-Harris Joint Authority, as to the actual amount of loss that would result from connections being made on Mr. Stearns property located on Rock Road which has been assessed and has to be serviced. Mr. Granlund stated the amount would be closer to $4,000 - $5,000 than the $5,000-$10,000 reported previously in the Planning Commission minutes and the newspapers. He indicated this loss would also occur if and when the connections of lots in the proposed Penn Hills PRD were made, but this could be offset by sufficient development in the area between the Spring Creek sewage treatment plant and Houserville.

PRD MEETING REPORT. The Amendments to the PRD Ordinance were discussed and a few minor changes made on the revisions at a meeting held on March 26. It is hoped one instrument would result from this for all Townships.

WAGE TAX COLLECTION STUDY. This information was presented by Mr. Moyer and Mr. Davis at various meetings with the State College Area School District and Representatives of the Borough, Patton, College, and Harris Townships held to discuss the centralization of Wage Tax Collection.

Also, a Proposal for a Centre Region Health Department was distributed to the representatives which has been altered since first submitted to COG by Mark Henry, Health Officer. The proposal is divided into five main sections. The first section is legal formation, the second covers program activities, the third is a description of manpower and their duties while the fourth presents equipment and material needs. The last section discusses finances.

The suggestion was made that this material be handed out to various organizations in the Township for their comments, and to get them involved. It was moved by Mr. Williams that one or both reports be sent to Civic Associations, Women's Clubs, and other organizations for their comments. This was seconded by Mr. Ziegler and supported by Mr. Trotter. Motion was carried.

COG COMMITTEE REPORTS

A report of the Code Enforcement Committee was made by Mr. Ziegler. He mentioned that the Borough has made some rate changes in the Building Code and feels that the Township should do likewise to bring theirs up to date. Also, that the ~~BOCA~~ National Plumbing Code hasn't been amended for at least 6 years, and that this also should be brought up to date. A sample ordinance will be sent to each Supervisor to study. The question was asked about the increase in fees and if they are necessary. Also, if there was any relationship between permit fees and salaried inspectors. Is this fee a hidden tax? A discussion was held on these questions.

Mr. Trotter gave a report on the meeting of the Transportation Committee. He felt this meeting was pretty well covered by the Press. He stated that September 1 has been set as the date for taking over the Fullington franchise. A discussion followed his remarks.

Mr. Williams reported the Public Safety Committee had not met since the last Supervisors Meeting. It was mentioned weeds are growing high around the fire hydrants in the Township. It was felt these hydrants should be kept cleared of weeds by the Lemont Water Company from whom they are rented.

It was also felt there should be an inter-local agreement to deputize police for inter-township enforcement.

APPOINTMENT

Mr. Williams submitted the name of Mrs. H. Clark Dalton as representative from College Township to serve on the Community Appearance & Design Review Board. It was moved by Mr. Ziegler that Mrs. H. Clark Dalton serve as the Representative to the Community Appearance & Design Review Board. Mr. Trotter seconded this motion and Mr. Williams supported it. Motion carried.

PLANS FOR APPROVAL

None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Williams made the announcement that the Riff-Raff Collection dates will be May 6, 7, & 8.

Also, the Government Study Commission will hold a public meeting on May 1 at 7:30 P.M. in the Municipal Building.

OPEN DISCUSSION

Andrew Knapka discussed the J. H. Mitchell Plan for North Lemont portion of land to be dedicated as park land to the Township. He indicated to the Supervisors that the adjoining portion of land (approximately 4 acres) was also available to be added to the park; that Mr. Mitchell would not give this to the Township but gave them the chance to buy it. Mr. Knapka was unable to give any price for these lots. He said this should be worked out between the Supervisors and Mr. Mitchell. They felt they should first get a price and

then decide if they were interested in obtaining this land.

Mr. Knapka also stated that he felt the things that the Planning Commission was asking him to do on the Sketch Plan for the North Lemont Subdivision were unreasonable since most of this information had already been noted as to the legal subdivision status of properties involved. He stated he felt they just hadn't taken the time to read the notes on the Plan.

Sue Smith asked if the Supervisors had acquired a chipper. The reply was no but they would see if they could borrow one if the need was great enough.

It was asked if the Township could do anything about cleaning up the Four Seasons Fruit Stand area. Mr. Williams said there was and it would be looked into.

It was asked if anything could be done about the former Arthur Bohn garage on College Avenue which is falling apart. Mr. Williams said there has been a Zoning Permit issued to remodel this building.

It was indicated that complaints had been received about someone filling in the Flood Plain area on the Oak Hall Road near Dr. Parks' place. This will be looked at.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:05 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

John H. Ziegler
Secretary