

COLLEGE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL

REGULAR MEETING

JUNE 10, 1982

7:30 P.M. - 9:36 P.M.

Members present: Donald E. Bailey, Gale L. Dargitz,
J. Carroll Dean, Herbert W. Stewart,
Dolores A. Taricani (Chairman)

Others present: C. Thomas Lechner, Manager

Open Discussion

No questions or comments made.

Minutes

Council unanimously approved (with no corrections) the minutes of May 13, 1982 (Regular Meeting) and May 20, 1982 (Road Inspection).

Council unanimously approved (with the following correction by Mr. Dean) the minutes of June 3, 1982 (Public Meeting & Hearing). Paragraph 1 on page 3 is changed to read:

"The unpredictability of the future use of these commercial establishments (through ownership changes, natural catastrophe) counteracts any facts based on existing use if it is important to include/designate them as within the historic district. 'If you think that the property really belongs in the historic district, then the present construction has no bearing on the situation.'"

Manager's Update

1. notified (by letter) ^{Roose} Robert Johnson of his reappointment to RHAC
2. forwarded Storm Water Ordinance to Planning Commission for their recommendation; manager has been told to await advice from the Centre Region Planning Commission on this issue
3. sent letter of endorsement to Penn State University emergency medical services which specified that College Township is governed by a "council" not "supervisors"
4. scheduled and held on June 3rd a Public Meeting for discussion of Centre County Historical Society's "historic district" proposal
5. deferred a public hearing for Flood Plain Ordinance update until COG makes available more data
6. advertised Local Government Investment Trust Ordinance

Manager's Update (continued)

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7. Local Government Survey preparations are almost completed; approximate cost is \$500.00 for the forms and postage
8. sent letter to CATA commending its management, requesting elimination of the 2nd morning run of the C-route bus, requesting revision of fuel cost estimates, requesting lower salary increase for manager
9. Council received a check and letter of intent from Penn State University to proceed with traffic light modification (Walk-Don't Walk) at University Drive and Curtin Road.

Treasurer's Report

Council unanimously approved Treasurer's Report. (Dargitz moves; Bailey seconds).

Correspondence

1. memo from Zoning Officer Arthur S. Beward concerning Penn Hills lot
2. "thank you" letter from Mr. & Mrs. Soder and Mr. & Mrs. John Schreck (re: Spring Creek Estates - Phase II, Subdivision Plan - Final)

Plans for Approval

1. Council unanimously approved the Gilligan Subdivision Preliminary & Final Plan, dated April 26, 1982, with no revisions. (Dean moves; Bailey seconds)
2. Rimney Replot: Council unanimously approved the Preliminary and Final Plans of Rimney Replot, dated September 4, 1981, revised September 16, 1981. (Dean moves; Dargitz seconds)
Replot transfers ownership of a section of land from a son to his mother resulting in the significant reduction of the nonconformity of one of the lots involved.
3. Karl E. Colyer, Uni-Tec, Inc., on behalf of client Mr. Marion Eisenbaum, sent Council a letter withdrawing the application for the Suburban Realty Joint Venture Subdivision.

New Business

1. Council postpones discussion of the Metropolitan Planning Organization (M.P.O.) until June 17, 1982.
2. Council unanimously agreed to sign the Joint Articles of Agreement for the South Atherton Street Bikeway. (Dean moves; Bailey seconds).

2. Joint Articles (continued): major issues discussed 86

--agreement participants' roles and responsibilities as to a) business management/administration of the construction of bike paths, and b) actual engineering and construction; Council members and David Sweetland, Sweetland Engineering, interpret the "Joint Articles" and previous paperwork as defining the following:

-State College Borough as the lead municipality and owner of the bike path, will process necessary paperwork, arrange initial finances, pay all bills up to and including \$300,000.00; reimbursement agreement will be changed to name State College Borough as lead municipality instead of College Township.

-PennDOT as project director/manager/supervisor awards the construction contracts (reviewing the bids along with Sweetland Engineering), prepares all specifications, prepares documents, performs the inspection; PennDOT is involved because of federal moneys contributed to bike paths.

-If PennDOT has neither the time or personnel to do the inspection, then College Township and Sweetland Engineering may enter into another agreement specifying that Sweetland will do the inspection. PennDOT, along with Sweetland Engineering will prepare construction plans, administrative contracts, perform inspection.

-College Township Council's jurisdiction over this issue requires only that it grant official approval of the bikeway project. As previously decided, Council has a maximum contribution commitment of \$14,000.00.

Dean is concerned that paragraph 3 on page 3 of the "Joint Articles" is too constrictive of College Township since it requires unanimous agreement among the three participants to dissolve the agreement. Dean prefers that it be changed to read: "This agreement shall be binding on the parties hereto indefinitely unless terminated by mutual agreement of any two participant municipalities."

BUDGET APPROVAL

3. CATA ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~: Dean moved that Council approve College Township's share of the CATA Budget for 1982-83. Seconded by Dargitz. Unanimously approved, ~~as revised with the proviso that CATA reexamine proposed salary structures and make a final statement on reduction of costs or reasons why such reductions could not be made. (Council will consult referendum results for next year.)~~

Major issues discussed between council members and Paul Oversier, CATA Manager:

--elimination of 2nd morning run on C-route (at least on trial basis) because it is not a cost-efficient service for College Township residents; relatively few College Township residents use the C-route services.

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3. CATA Budget (continued)

--Bailey: would want more equitable sharing of costs by federal government, state government, College Township, and overall passenger revenue; respective contribution increases/decreases for this budget:

federal government - 5% contribution decrease
state government - 16% contribution increase
Township - 27% contribution increase
overall passenger fair revenue - 13%

--Dargitz: concerned about continuing to fund C-route runs that service very few College Township residents; personally, cannot support College Township contribution increases; also is concerned about high \$14,600 custodian salary.

--Oversier: This situation illustrates Reaganomics; federal government is pulling out of its commitment to mass transit and the burden is now on local municipalities to decide 1) whether they want to fund mass transit, and 2) how to fund it given the decrease in federal moneys available.

--Chairman Taricani: outlines problems with local communities' use of mass transit:

- a. difficulty of funding mass transit with revenue of small governments having relatively small budgets and low tax rates
- b. convenience of parking of campus discourages many from using bus system
- c. local governments must face eventually the issue of the feasibility of maintaining mass transit in the Centre Region

--Oversier: agrees with Chairman's comments and cites the Centre Region's "institutional arrangements" as major "external environment factors" affecting CATA ridership (along with weather conditions and price of gas).

--Dargitz: requested more detailed justification for College Township paying 3x's as much of the percentage of the X-Route as the Borough of State College.

--Oversier answers:

- a. cost allocation formulas for most routes are based on the number of miles travelled within each municipality
- b. re: revenue allocation - when a passenger boards the bus in State College for the Mall, that revenue is credited to State College Borough; when that passenger boards the return bus at the Mall, that revenue is credited to College Township
- c. agrees that ridership patterns don't reflect accurately these allocations, but believes the formula is fairer than it appears

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Announcements

1. Bailey summarizes CRATS coordinating meeting of June 9, 1982; six items of priority were added to the 12-year plan:
 - two-lane relocation on the four-lane right-of-way on the State College Bypass - West
 - two-lane relocation of the Park Avenue extension
 - moving the bikeway from North Atherton Street to Fox Hollow Rd.
 - two-lane relocation on the four-lane right-of-way of the State College Bypass - East
 - interconnect signals upgrade phasing and timing on North Atherton Street
 - Science Park intersection at Route 26

2. Dean, referring to the May 13 Regular Meeting, clarifies that to abandon a section of Park Road requires 100% agreement of all adjoining property owners.

Council authorizes Manager Lechner to contact government liason Dave Schuckers telling him that Council wishes to begin informal conversations about the Park Road abandonment, and requests the coordinating of a meeting with the appropriate parties.

3. Council agrees (in a 4-1 vote) to communicate to PennDOT its support for the Fox Hollow Road Bikeway/Highway Improvement Project. (Dargitz moves; Bailey seconds).

Vote: approved - Bailey, Dargitz, Stewart, Taricani
opposed - Dean

Adjournment: 9:36 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

C. Thomas Lechner
Secretary

CTL: mc

COLLEGE TOWNSHIP
TREASURER'S REPORT
MAY 1982

DESCRIPTION

REFERENCE

General Funds - Receipts & Expenditures

Schedule I

Township Funds - Cash & Investments

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Schedule I

COLLEGE TOWNSHIP

TREASURER'S REPORT

GENERAL FUND - RECEIPTS & EXPENDITURES

MAY 1982

	<u>MAY 1982</u>	<u>APRIL 1982</u>
Check Book Balance - Beginning of the Month.....	\$ <u>402</u>	\$ <u>446</u>
Receipts During the Month.....	<u>68,968</u>	<u>54,310</u>
Transfers from Other Funds.....	<u>-0-</u>	<u>38,000</u>
Net Transfers from Savings.....	<u>22,001</u>	<u>-0-</u>
	<u>\$91,371</u>	<u>\$92,756</u>
Expenditures for the Month.....	<u>\$52,924</u>	<u>\$52,109</u>
Net Transfers to Savings.....	<u>-0-</u>	<u>40,245</u>
Transfers to Other Funds.....	<u>38,000</u>	<u>-0-</u>
Check Book Balance - End of the Month.....	\$ <u>447</u>	\$ <u>402</u>

COLLEGE TOWNSHIP
TREASURER'S REPORT
CASH & INVESTMENTS

MAY 1982

	GENERAL	STREET LIGHT	EQUIPMENT	PARKS & REC.	STATE	REVENUE SHARE	SPEC. ROAD CONST. FUND
II. CASH:							
Checking Account	\$ 447 ^a	\$ 35	\$ 15	\$ 2	\$ 144	\$ 2,029	\$ 363
II. INVESTED:							
A. Daily Interest - 5% Annual	12,871						
B. Savings Certificate	9,925 ^b	5,794	29,765	11,830	34,751	7,127	5,971
TOTAL FUNDS @ MAY	\$ 23,243	\$ 5,829	\$ 29,780	\$ 11,832	\$ 34,895	\$ 9,156	\$ 6,334
PREVIOUS MONTH	\$ 45,199	\$ 4,117	\$ 7,389	\$ 10,969	\$ 18,415	\$ 7,447	\$ 6,307
CASH	\$ 3,035						
INVESTED	\$118,034						
TOTAL	\$121,069						
PREVIOUS MONTH	\$ 99,843						

- NOTES:
1. General Fund Checking
 - a.) Includes \$100.00 in payroll account
 - b.) 91 - Day C.D. Matures 8-26-82 at 11.23%