

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF
THE COLLEGE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
HELD SEPTEMBER 5, 1972

The College Township Board of Supervisors held a regular meeting on September 5, 1972 at 7:30 P.M. in the Township Municipal Building. All members of the Board were present. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved as corrected. A typographical error in the Treasurer's balance was made. It should have read \$34,422.49 instead of \$32,265.19.

The Treasurer's report was read and approved as follows:

Balance for July 31 - - - - -	\$34,422.49
Deposit for August - - - - -	<u>\$13,040.46</u>
TOTAL:	\$47,462.95
Expenditures for August - - - - -	<u>\$ 5,276.25</u>
Balance for September 1, 1972 - - -	\$42,186.70

BUSINESS

Supervisors Williams and Skinner met with Mr. Lucas of the State College Boro Water Authority on the fill-in in the Flood Plain. The State College Boro Water Authority has agreed to level off the dirt piles right near the wells along the West Branch Road and the culvert will be removed when the bridge is put in. This action satisfied the Supervisors.

The traffic signal has been approved for the intersection of Elmwood Street, Boalsburg Pike, Pike Street and Branch Road. The men from the Clearfield Office were here today and they have marked where they are going to put the poles. They have initiated action for a permit for speed signs. These have been updated as of today and ready for inspection by the Department of Highways.

A resolution was passed that the Variance Fee be raised from \$15 to \$20 by the Supervisors who explained that it costs the Township \$18 whenever the Zoning Board of Appeals meets to consider variance applications. The Supervisors felt the Township should, at least, break even on the costs of the applications. The \$2 difference would go toward the required legal advertisement costs of variance requests. This was moved by Mr. Skinner and seconded by Mr. Weaver and the motion was carried unanimously.

Mr. Skinner brought the matter of the size of the basement apartments before the Board. Section 202.1 of the Zoning Ordinance, Use Regulations states "...a one-bedroom (one family) apartment not to exceed 500 square feet provided it is an integral part of a single-family detached or single-family semi-detached dwelling". The Supervisors decided to begin action to revise the Zoning Ordinance requirements for basement apartments in single family dwellings from 500' to 800' and not smaller than 500'. While specifics of an amendment were not discussed, they proposed that the proper procedure be followed to change this. A public hearing is required before any change could be made.

The present School Crossing Guards were approved to serve for another year. They are: Houserville - Mrs. Winifred Wilson, Mrs. Marian Dashem, and Mrs. Edith Williams; Lemont - Mrs. Patty Lou Peters and Mrs. Sue Neff.

Mr. Skinner raised the question about Earl Maize of State College who serves as the Township's Zoning Officer and is also a member of the State College Borough Sewer Authority. Mr. Skinner said he felt this was a conflict of interest and that Mr. Maize should be removed from the Zoning position and a College Township resident be appointed. Mr. Skinner made a statement which he wishes to be recorded in the minutes. He said this is his own personal feelings and does not necessarily reflect the feelings of the other Supervisors.

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Mr. Williams said they would take into consideration what Mr. Skinner has said here. No further action was taken at this time.

It was moved by Mr. Skinner that the appointment of Mrs. Beulah Houser be approved, effective as of July 17, 1972. It was seconded by Mr. Weaver and the motion was carried unanimously.

The Secretary was asked to locate from the previous minutes, a copy of the resolution indicating that College Township would take over Carolean Industrial Drive and send a copy to the Public Gas Company.

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Neither of these rooms are ever locked. The question was asked if an extension could be put in from the phones which are already here. The answer was no. The question was then asked if a jack could be used. This way he could take the phone into his office if the need arises for one. This suggestion will be checked out by Mr. Williams.

The Minutes of the Special Meeting held August 31 at 7:00 P.M. were read. This meeting was for the purpose of opening bids received in connection with the repaving of TR 380 - Struble Road in College Township. Two bids were received; one from Herbert R. Imbt, Inc. in the amount of \$11,501.75 and another from Glenn O. Hawbaker Inc. in the amount of \$11,392.40. The resolution was passed that the bid be awarded to Glenn O. Hawbaker Inc.

Mr. Skinner stated he has received calls on having Sharp-Curve signs put on Orchard Road to the hospital. Mr. Williams said that in a week or two they should be using Porter Road, thus eliminating the sharp curve. It was suggested several Sharp-Curve signs be put on Trout Road also. It was indicated by Mr. Williams that no signs were available at the present time.

ANNOUNCEMENT

The Supervisors announced that October 2, 3, and 4 would be the dates for riff-raff collection in the Township.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Lester M. Weaver

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College Township Supervisors