

MINUTES OF  
COLLEGE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL  
JANUARY 13, 1977

A MEETING OF THE COLLEGE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL WAS HELD TUESDAY, JANUARY 13, 1977 IN THE TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL BUILDING.

PRESENT: JOHN H. ZIEGLER  
J. CARROLL DEAN  
DONALD E. BAILEY  
DOLORES A. TARICANI  
CLARENCE E. TROTTER

ALSO PRESENT: MANAGER ELWOOD G. WILLIAMS, SR.  
TREASURER ROBERT A. FREDERICK

THE MEETING WAS CONVENED AT 7:35 P.M. BY JOHN ZIEGLER.

FOUR SETS OF MINUTES CAME BEFORE THE COUNCIL FOR APPROVAL. BECAUSE SEVERAL SECTIONS WERE MISSING IN PRIOR DRAFTS, THE AUGUST 10, 1976 MINUTES WERE EDITED BY CARROLL DEAN AND SUBMITTED FOR REPRODUCTION AND APPROVAL FOR THE NEXT MEETING. THE DECEMBER 14, 1976 MINUTES HAD THE FOLLOWING CORRECTIONS:

- PAGE 1, 2ND PARAGRAPH, 2ND SENTENCE TO READ, MINUTES.. "FOR NOVEMBER 9, 1976".
- PAGE 2, TREASURER'S REPORT WAS "ACCEPTED" NOT APPROVED.
- PAGE 3, LAST SENTENCE CHANGED TO READ "THE PLAN WAS SIGNED BY THE CHAIRMAN AND VICE-CHAIRMAN."
- PAGE 6, 3RD PARAGRAPH, 3RD LINE, ADD "FOR SPRING CREEK PARK" AFTER THE WORD COUNCIL.
- PAGE 6, 3RD LINE FROM BOTTOM AFTER THE WORDS "SPEED BUMPS": "THERE WAS ALSO RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ALTERNATIVE USES OF HARRIS ACRE PARKLET."
- PAGE 8, LAST SENTENCE UNDER DISCUSSION: "THE COUNCIL DIRECTED THE CHAIRMAN TO REQUEST SOLICITOR MCCORMICK TO LOOK INTO ILLEGAL ACTIVITIES UNDER CONSIDERATION."

DEAN MOVED THAT THE DECEMBER 14, 1976 MINUTES BE APPROVED. TROTTER SECONDED THE MOTION AND IT WAS UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED. AFTER DISCUSSION OF THE DECEMBER 30, 1976 MINUTES, DEAN MOVED THAT THESE MINUTES BE TABLED PENDING FURTHER CLARIFICATION. TROTTER SECONDED THE MOTION. THE MAJORITY OF COUNCIL APPROVED THE MOTION; ZIEGLER VOTED NO.

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**BAILEY MOVED AND TARICANI SECONDED THE MOTION THAT THE ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL FOR JANUARY 3, 1977 BE APPROVED. THE MOTION WAS UNANIMOUSLY PASSED.**

**UPDATE INFORMATION**

**MANAGER WILLIAMS REPORTED THAT THE JOE MEYER'S LAND IS NOT FOR SALE. FOLLOW-UP ON THE PROBLEM OF DRAINAGE WILL CONTINUE. IN REGARDS TO THE SPEEDING NEAR THE WELL-MARKED LEMONT SCHOOL: POLICE HAVE BEEN NOTIFIED TO ENFORCE THE SPEED LIMIT.**

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

**THE TREASURER'S REPORT WHICH HAS BEEN MADE PART OF THESE MINUTES WAS UNANIMOUSLY ACCEPTED BY COUNCIL. NEXT THE TREASURER BROUGHT UP THE PROBLEM OF MEETING THE MAILING DEADLINE OF FEBRUARY 1ST FOR THE COUNTY AND REAL ESTATE TAX. THE COUNCIL DIRECTED THE TREASURER TO PROCEED POSITIVELY IN PREPARING THE TAX FORMS BUT TO ALSO SEE IF HE COULD GET A TEMPORARY EXTENSION OF THE MAILING DATE. MR. FREDERICK ALSO MENTIONED THE TIME CONSUMING JOB OF COLLECTING THE OCCUPATIONAL ASSESSMENT TAX. MEANWHILE, AN AD HOC COMMITTEE CONSISTING OF TROTTER, WILLIAMS, FREDERICK AND ZIEGLER IS TO CONTACT THE SCHOOL BOARD TO NEGOTIATE THE NEW TAX COLLECTION AGREEMENT FOR THE COMING YEAR. THE POSSIBILITY OF CHANGING TAX DATES AND THE PROBLEMS OF COLLECTION WILL BE DISCUSSED AT THIS TIME.**

**THE COUNCIL COMMENDED THE WORK DONE BY THE TREASURER AND HIS DEPARTMENT IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS. SPECIAL EMPHASIS WAS PLACED ON THE EXCELLENCE OF THE YEAR-END REPORT.**

**CORRESPONDENCE**

**(1) COPY OF A LETTER TO DAVID SIMS, DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR CONSTRUCTION, PENNDOT, FROM JOHN ZIEGLER, DATED JANUARY 10, 1977 DETAILING THE DECISION OF THE COUNCIL TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT TO CONTRIBUTE FUNDS FOR THE PROPOSED BIKEWAY.**

**(2) COPY OF A LETTER FROM RONALD SHORT, CHAIRMAN OF THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION TO THE LOCAL PLANNING COMMISSIONS, DATED DECEMBER 30, 1976 ON THE SUBJECT OF THE NEW REQUIREMENTS OF THE**

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**NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM.**

DEAN STRESSED THAT THE TOWNSHIP CAN STILL KEEP THE PRESENT FLOOD PLAN BUT CAN AMEND ORDINANCES TO MEET THE NEW REQUIREMENTS.

(3) COPY OF A LETTER FROM REED McCORMICK, TOWNSHIP SOLICITOR, TO THE COLLEGE TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION DATED JANUARY 3, 1977.

DUE TO SOME LACK OF COMMUNICATION EVIDENT IN THE LETTER, TARICANI AGAIN STRESSED THE POINT SHE WISHED TO MAKE: SHE WANTED THE STATUS OF THE REZONING OF CERTAIN TOWNSHIP LANDS CLARIFIED FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION.

**PLANS FOR APPROVAL**

THERE WERE NO PLANS PRESENTED.

**NEW BUSINESS**

(1) RE: LETTER TO MUNICIPAL MANAGERS FROM RONALD SHORT, DIRECTOR, DATE 12/22/76 CONCERNING THE SUBJECT OF THE STATE PLANNING ASSISTANCE GRANT EXECUTION. TARICANI MOVED THAT THE COUNCIL APPROVE THE RESOLUTION SUBMITTED TO THE COUNCIL BY THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION DIRECTOR CONCERNING THE STATE PLANNING ASSISTANCE GRANT. SECONDED BY DEAN, THE MOTION WAS UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

(2) THE ZONING OFFICER REPORT WAS MADE PART OF THESE MINUTES. THE COUNCIL COMMENTED ON THE INITIATIVE OF THE REPORT'S PREPARATION AND THE EXCELLENCE OF THE WORK DONE BY THE ZONING OFFICER IN THE PAST YEAR.

(3) ZIEGLER ASKED FOR COMMENTS CONCERNING THE COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS FOR COG. THE CHAIRMAN THEN RULED THAT THERE WOULD BE NO CHANGES FOR THE COMING YEAR. THE APPOINTMENTS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE - CLARENCE TROTTER  
CODE ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEE - DONALD E. BAILEY  
FINANCE COMMITTEE - JOHN ZIEGLER  
PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE - JAMES A. WINCK  
PLANNING COMMISSION - NURI MOHSENIN

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- PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE - DOLORES TARICANI
- SOLID WASTE COMMITTEE - J. CARROLL DEAN
- TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE - CLARENCE TROTTER
- PERSONNEL COMMITTEE - DONALD E. BAILEY
- COORDINATING COMMITTEE - CLARENCE TROTTER &  
J. CARROLL DEAN

(4) A FIVE YEAR TERM APPOINTMENT (FROM 1-1-77 TO 12-31-81) TO THE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY WAS DISCUSSED. DEAN MOVED AND TARICANI SECONDED THE MOTION THAT MR. DAN W. STEARNS BE APPOINTED. IT WAS UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

(5) APPOINTMENTS TO THE PARK AND RECREATION BOARD WERE DISCUSSED. A LETTER FROM LLOYD NIEMANN, CHAIRMAN OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE TO MANAGER WILLIAMS DATED 1/10/77 NOTED THE FOLLOWING TEENAGERS WERE WILLING TO SERVE: MISS PAULA M. FROKE, MISS JUDY WALL AND MR. KEVIN RUNG. IN ANSWER TO A QUESTION FROM DEAN, MR. NIEMANN ANSWERED THAT THE ADDED NUMBER OF STUDENT MEMBERS WOULD RESULT IN BETTER NEIGHBORHOOD REPRESENTATION. TROTTER MOVED AND TARICANI SECONDED THE MOTION THAT THE ABOVE NOTED TEENAGERS BE APPOINTED TO THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE. THE MOTION WAS UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

(6) MR. GREGORY RAMSEY, HEAD OF THE CENTRE COUNTY HISTORICAL REGISTRATION PROJECT, REPORTED ON THE EFFORTS OF THE PROJECT TO PLACE LOCAL HISTORIC BUILDINGS ON STATE AND NATIONAL REGISTERIES AND TO CREATE AN HISTORICAL DISTRICT IN THE CENTRAL SECTION OF LEMONT. MR. RAMSEY AND HIS ASSISTANT MICHAEL HALM TOLD THE COUNCIL THAT THEIR WORK IS FREE OF CHARGE AND THAT THEY HAVE THE ASSURANCE OF ASSESSORS THAT THERE IS NO EFFECT ON PROPERTY TAXES. TARICANI MOVED THAT THE COUNCIL ENDORSE THE CENTRE COUNTY HISTORICAL REGISTRATION PROJECT FOR COLLEGE TOWNSHIP AS PRESENTED TO THE COUNCIL BY MR. RAMSEY. SECONDED BY TROTTER, THE MOTION WAS PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

(7) ZIMMERMAN PHASING OF PENN HILLS PRD WAS ON THE AGENDA BUT MR. ZIMMERMAN WAS NOT PRESENT TO DISCUSS THE REPHASING. A LETTER TO THE COUNCIL FROM MR. ZIMMERMAN DATED 11/23/76 WAS NOTED

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BUT NO ACTION WAS TAKEN BY COUNCIL BECAUSE OF INSUFFICIENT INFORMATION.

(8) A LETTER TO MANAGER WILLIAMS DATED 1/3/77 FROM CARL FAIRBANKS CODE ADMINISTRATOR, STATED THE PROPOSED PROCEDURES TO BE FOLLOWED IN ENFORCING BUILDING STANDARDS FOR ACCOMMODATION OF THE HANDICAPPED. MANAGER WILLIAMS WAS INSTRUCTED BY COUNCIL TO NOTIFY MR. FAIRBANKS THAT THE TOWNSHIP HAS BEEN UNDER BOCA CODE STANDARDS SINCE 1966. SOLICITOR REED McCORMICK IS ALSO TO BE ASKED THE LEGAL INTERPRETATION OF ORDINANCE #32. THE SPECIFIC QUESTION: HOW DO BOCA REGULATIONS APPLY ON ACCESS STANDARDS FOR THE HANDICAPPED?

(9) A LETTER TO MANAGER WILLIAMS FROM FRANK GLENN, CHAIRMAN OF THE COLLEGE TOWNSHIP BICENTENNIAL HISTORY COMMITTEE DATED 1/12/77 REPORTED PROGRESS ON THE SALE OF THE HISTORY OF COLLEGE TOWNSHIP. THE ENDEAVOR WAS "IN-THE-RED" BUT MR. GLENN WAS FINANCING THE DEFICIT. THE COUNCIL COMMENDED MR. GLENN AND HIS COMMITTEE FOR THEIR WORK AND INSTRUCTED MANAGER WILLIAMS TO WRITE A LETTER OF APPRECIATION.

(10) AN INFORMATION ITEM ON THE AGENDA CONCERNED THE ROADS TO BE TURNED BACK TO THE TOWNSHIP BY PENNDOT. (RE: LETTER TO COUNCIL FROM THE HIGHWAY SYSTEM TASK SUBCOMMITTEE DATED 12/12/76). NO DECISION CAN BE MADE UNTIL THE TOWNSHIP CAN BE SHOWN EXACTLY WHERE THE ROADS ARE LOCATED AND THEIR CURRENT CONDITION.

(11) STREET LIGHTS IN DALEVUE WAS NEXT ON THE AGENDA, THE QUESTION: STREET LIGHTS FOR INDIVIDUAL STREETS OR FOR THE ENTIRE DEVELOPMENT? TARICANI AND MANAGER WILLIAMS WERE APPOINTED BY THE COUNCIL TO MAKE A STUDY OF THE TOWNSHIP'S STREET LIGHT REGULATIONS AND TO RETURN TO THE COUNCIL WITH THEIR RECOMMENDATIONS. INCLUDED IN THE STUDY WILL BE THE VARIOUS REQUIREMENTS OF WEST PENN.

(12) THE NEXT AGENDA ITEM CONCERNED THE STATUS OF THE EARNED INCOME TAX ORDINANCE. AT LAST MEETING THE COUNCIL HAD EXPRESSED CONCERN THAT THE UNIVERSITY DOES NOT PROVIDE COMPLETE FILING INFORMATION WITH ITS TAX REMITTANCE. THE LACK OF HOME ADDRESSES AND INDIVIDUAL AMOUNTS HAVE CAUSED CONFUSION. ACCORDING TO FREDERICK, WITHOUT SUCH INFORMATION IT IS DIFFICULT TO TELL WHETHER THE TOWNSHIP IS RECEIVING ALL THE TAX MONIES IT SHOULD OR PERHAPS SOME IT

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HAS NO RIGHT TO CLAIM. IN SHORT, A COMPLETE AUDIT IS IMPOSSIBLE. DEAN TOLD THE COUNCIL THAT THE MATTER HAD BEEN TAKEN UP IN THE COG'S EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND AN INVESTIGATION WAS UNDER WAY. COUNCIL DECIDED TO AWAIT EFFORTS OF COG BEFORE TAKING ANY ACTION.

FREDERICK ALSO BROUGHT BEFORE THE COUNCIL THE PROBLEM OF THE EMPLOYERS IN THE TOWNSHIP WHO HAVE NOT YET REPORTED OR REMITTED TAXES FOR 1976. AFTER A DISCUSSION OF THE PROBLEM, TARICANI MOVED THAT THE TAX COLLECTOR NOTIFY THE DELINQUENT EMPLOYERS OF HIS INTENTION TO PROSECUTE THEM IF THEY DO NOT REMIT AND RECONCILE 1976 TAXES BY JANUARY 31, 1977. SECONDED BY DEAN, THE MOTION WAS PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

(13) PARKLAND-RESERVOIR LAND (MEYER PROPERTY): DISCUSSED IN UPDATE INFORMATION.

(14) AFTER A STUDY OF THE MAPS OF THE PROPOSED HALLOCK SUB-DIVISION, THE COUNCIL EXPRESSED FAVOR FOR THE COLLEGE-HARRIS JOINT AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE COLLECTOR SEWER SERVICE TO THE PROPOSED SUBDIVISION WITH EFFLUENT TO BE FUNNELLED INTO A NEARBY STATE COLLEGE SEWER AUTHORITY LINE. DEAN MOVED THAT MANAGER WILLIAMS APPROACH COLLEGE-HARRIS WITH SEVERAL SUGGESTIONS AS TO HOW THE SEWER PROBLEM COULD BE HANDLED AND TO SEE WHAT ARRANGEMENTS CAN BE NEGOTIATED BETWEEN THE DEVELOPER AND THE BOROUGH. SECONDED BY TROTTER, THE MOTION WAS UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

(1) THE PARKS AND RECREATION QUARTERLY PUBLIC MEETING FOR JANUARY 23, 1977 WAS ANNOUNCED BY MR. NIEMANN.

(2) THE MEETING TO DISCUSS THE POSSIBLE CONSTRUCTION OF CEMETERY ROAD WILL BE HELD ON JANUARY 26, 1977 AT 7:30 P.M. AT THE STATE COLLEGE MUNICIPAL BUILDING.

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**OPEN DISCUSSION**

TARICANI REPORTED ON A LETTER SHE RECEIVED FROM A MRS. D. W. FISHER DATED 1/11/77. MRS. FISHER HAD RECEIVED INCONSIDERATE TREATMENT FROM THE LEMONT WATER COMPANY PERSONNEL WHEN SHE REQUESTED NECESSARY SERVICE. MANAGER WILLIAMS WAS INSTRUCTED TO PURSUE THE MATTER WITH JACK MITCHELL.

BAILEY MENTIONED THE NEED TO FOLLOW UP ON THE FIRE LANE BLOCKAGE AT THE NITTANY MALL. MANAGER WILLIAMS SAID HE HAD SPOKEN TO THE FIRE CHIEF ABOUT THE MATTER.

DEAN QUESTIONED CLAIRE BROWN'S MOTION IN THE DECEMBER 1976 PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES CONCERNING THE PARKING FOR THE PROPOSED McDONALD'S RESTAURANT. GENERAL DISCUSSION FOLLOWED ABOUT THE PRESENT PARKING FACILITIES AT THE NITTANY MALL AND THE FURTHER REDUCTION IN PARKING SPACE THAT WOULD OCCUR IF THE RESTAURANT WAS BUILT.

DEAN MADE BRIEF MENTION OF THE EXISTENCE OF THE REGIONAL CONSCIOUSNESS GROUP HEADED BY CAROL HERRMANN.

DEAN MOVED AND BAILEY SECONDED THE MOTION THAT THE MEETING BE ADJOURNED. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY AND THE MEETING ENDED AT 11:40 P.M.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

ELWOOD G. WILLIAMS, SR.  
SECRETARY

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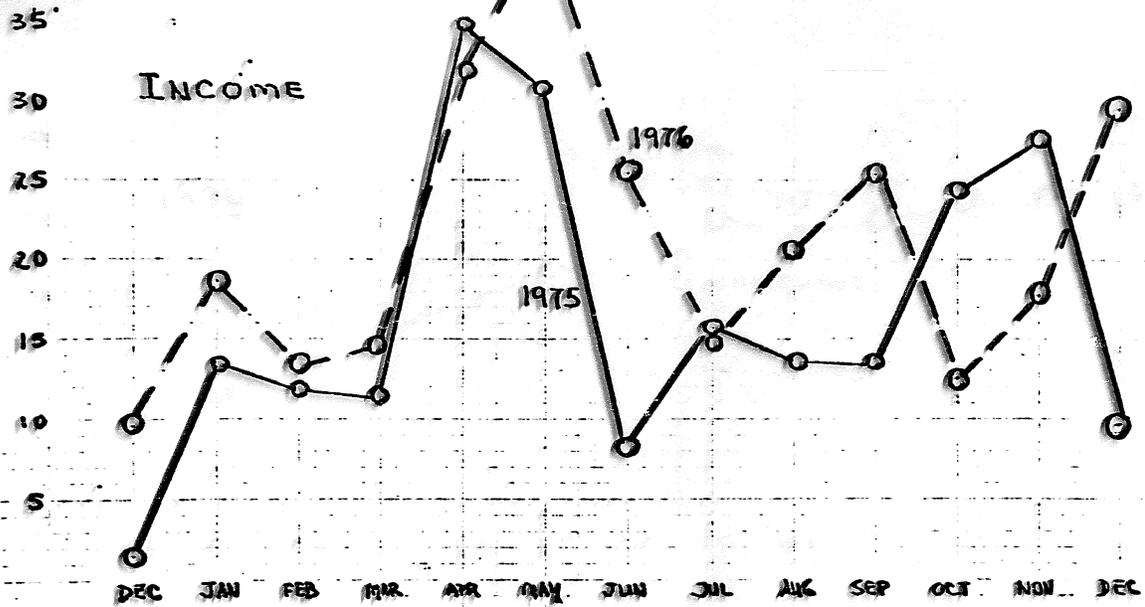
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GENERAL ACCOUNT - RECEIPTS & EXPENDITURES  
DECEMBER 1976

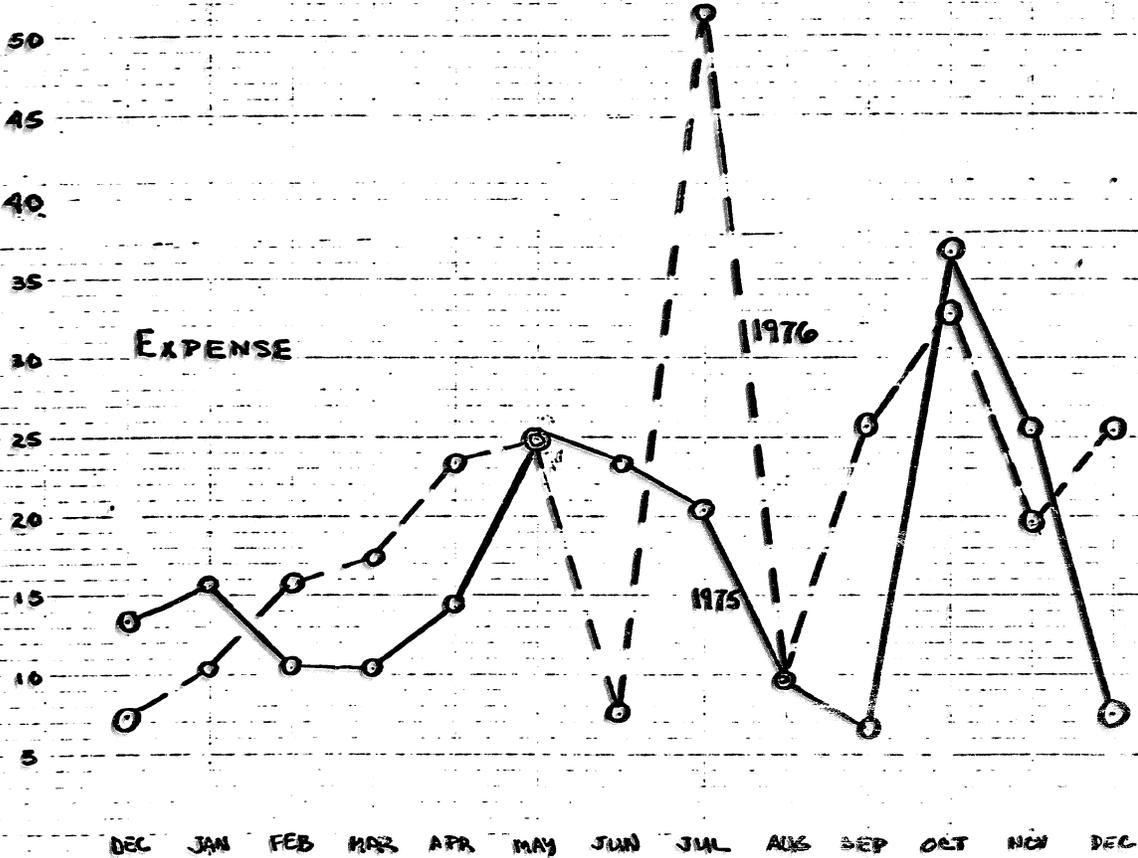
	<u>Dec. 1976</u>	<u>Nov. 1976</u>
Check Book Balance - Beginning of the Month.....	\$ 568	\$ 1,537
Receipts during the Month.....	29,263	15,644
Transfers from the Savings Account.....	<u>5,500<sup>a</sup></u>	<u>5,000</u>
AVAILABLE.....	\$35,331	\$22,181
Expenditures for the Month.....	\$25,122	\$19,613
Transfers to the Savings Account.....	-0-	2,000
Transfers to Other Funds.....	<u>500<sup>a</sup></u>	<u>-0-</u>
Check Book Balance - End of the Month.....	\$ 9,709	568

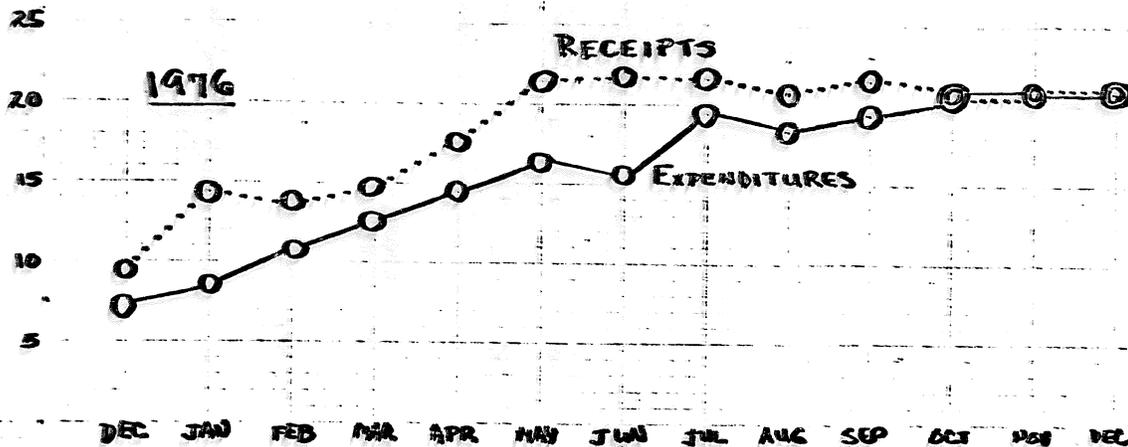
a - Light Fund savings are invested through the General Account.



COLLEGE TOWNSHIP  
COMPARATIVE SUMMARY -75/76  
GENERAL ACCOUNT

Figure 1





COLLEGE TCHSEIP  
MOVING AVERAGE-75/76  
GENERAL ACCOUNT

Figure 2

