

MINUTES OF THE 315th COUNCIL MEETING OF THE BOROUGH OF CHESTER HEIGHTS, HELD IN
THE BOROUGH FIRE HOUSE, MONDAY APRIL 2, 1973.

PRESENT: John W. deCampi, Edouard N. Houtman, James E. Miller, John G. Moyman,
Raymond W. Shisler, Richard D. Wood, Jr.
Mayor John J. Kelly, Sr., Solicitor John S. J. Brooks

MINUTES of the March meeting were approved as read.

SECRETARY'S REPORT of interim business:

March 15, 1973: Executive session of Council and Planning Commission.

Stan Godorov and Richard A. Cylinder representing Fidelity Bond & Mortgage Co., presented a tentative proposal for a Planned Retirement Community to be located on the property known as Walnut Hill. Mr. Godorov stressed the fact that the submission did not in any way constitute a formal application. Copies of the tentative proposal were supplied to members of Council and Planning Commission.

March 27, 1973: A letter was sent to all residents of Old Ivy urging them to attend the April meeting of Council, at which the proposed repairs to Ivy Lane will be discussed.

March 27, 1973: Field Auditor of PennDOT conducted audit of Highway Aid Fund for 1972

CORRESPONDENCE

1. Letter from Henry J. Silva, District Justice of the Peace, relative to the overpayment to the Borough of \$5.00 in fines - as well as the payment to the State of \$80.00 in fines which should have been paid to the Borough.

ACTION: The Secretary was directed to return \$5.00 to Mr. Silva for forwarding to the State and approval was given to the petition for a refund of \$80.00 sent to the Board of Finance and Revenue by the Secretary.

2. Letter from Brandywine Youth Club appealing for contributions.

ACTION - Approved payment of 1973 budgeted funds in the amount of \$200.00

3. Letter from DCPC covering Sewerage Feasibility study.

ACTION - Mr. Houtman was familiar with the information included with this letter and has already requested an estimate of costs for such a study by F. Roy Weston Associates. A proposal will be presented at the May meeting.

4. Philadelphia Electric Co. request for information on proposed Borough projects.

ACTION - Secretary directed to inform PE of Ivy Lane repairs and Community Concepts development.

TREASURER'S REPORT

General Fund checking account	3,045.76	
General Fund Savings account	<u>11,769.06</u>	
		14,814.82
Revenue Sharing checking account		12.74
Highway Aid checking account	325.15	
Highway Aid Savings account	<u>5,899.79</u>	
		6,224.94

ACTION - Approved

RECEIPTS: Totalling \$20,441.66

Community Concepts Building Permits \$12,000.00; Discounted Taxes for 1973 \$4,240.16
Federal Disaster Relief Assistance \$3,343.00; PE Pole & Conduit tax 72-73 \$116.00;
April rent of Boro Bldg \$175.00; Sale of Ordinances \$27.50; Fines - March \$240.00
Penna Liquor License fee \$300.00

BILLS: Totalling \$1,573.64

1973 Premium Comprehensive Liability & Workmans Compensation \$651.00; Workmans Compensation increase in Premium for 1972 \$111.00; Auditors' fees \$45.00; Typing & reproductions New Fire Code \$50.00; Street Lighting for March \$98.74; Sec'y-Treas. fee for Jan. Feb. March \$250.00; Publishing 1972 Financial Report \$43.00; Filing fee for 1972 Financial Report \$2.50; Xerox copies March minutes & Old Ivy letters \$5.60; Postage & mailing envelopes \$8.70; Penna State Ass'n Boroughs 1973 Yearbook listing \$15.00; Tickets for Del. County Assn of Boroughs Convention \$72.00; Refund to Silva \$5.00; Repairs to heater in Boro Bldg. \$16.00; Brandywine Youth Ass'n \$200.00

ACTION - Items approved for payment.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE: Clean-up of trash on roads under way.

BUILDING COMMITTEE: Mr. Moyman has discussed building maintenance problems with tenant.

BUILDING & PLUMBING INSPECTORS: Mr. Ormsby reported that it is no longer permissible to make changes of any kind in on-site sewerage systems without a permit issued by the Department of Environmental Resources of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Such permits are not issued until appropriate percolation tests have been made. The only exception to the permit requirement is the routine pumping of a septic tank or cesspool. Penalties are provided for violations. The Borough Plumbing Inspector is considered an enforcement agent for the State in such matters.

PLANNING COMMISSION: Meeting with Fidelity Bond & Mortgage Co. scheduled for Tuesday, May 1st., for further discussion of proposed Planned Retirement Community.

HIGHWAY COMMITTEE: Mr. Shisler reported that steps has been taken to make temporary repairs of pot holes on Ivy Lane.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: As requested at the March meeting, Mr. Lawrence G. Wetherill presented a letter describing the type of dwelling proposed for construction on Smithbridge Road.

ACTION - The proposed structure was interpreted by Council as a single family dwelling, which is a permitted use under the Zoning Ordinance, and the Building Inspector was authorized to issue a building permit when and if all requirements of the Building Code have been met.

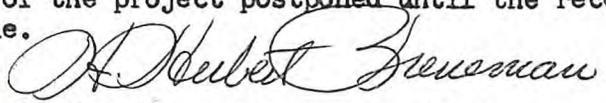
NEW BUSINESS - IVY LANE : Mr. Houtman presented a proposal to re-construct a section of Ivy Lane, extending from the Concord Twp. line to a point opposite the center of Lot #12 - an approximate distance of 700 feet. Included were provisions for under-drainage of the roadway and an inlet placed at the low point on the south side, to conduct surface water from the roadway into the stream. The project would involve costs of approximately \$10,000.00. Mr. Houtman also reported than an application for County Aid in the amount of \$5,000.00 had been filed.

Residents of Old Ivy, including Mr. Vernon Alibert, Mr. Emerson Gatchel, Mr. Stephen J. Piermont, Mr. Patrick Adams and Mr. Joseph W. Davis expressed opposition to the proposal as submitted. The consensus was that the contemplated project was inadequate and incomplete - in that it did not also provide facilities for conducting ground and surface waters from the properties abutting Ivy Lane to the stream.

Mr. Houtman explained that since the submitted proposal had been predicated oncorrecting only those problems relating specifically to the Borough-maintained roadway, it would be necessary to devise a new and more comprehensive plan in order to include the requested drainage facilities.

ACTION - Decision on enlarging the scope of the project postponed until the receipt of definitive information on funds available.

The meeting was adjourned.


H. Herbert Breneman, Secretary