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Township Committee September 10, 2007

Devinney, Hinkle, Templeton, Ouellette, Fitzpatrick

Also Present: Doug Heinold, Twp. Solicitor; Janice Lohr, Municipal Clerk; Karen Zimmermann, Deputy Municipal Clerk; Denton, Township Engineer; Phil Goffredo, Code Enforcement; Scott Taylor of Taylor Associates, Township Planner; Chief of Police Ed Parsons

MOMENT OF SILENCE – IN REMEMBRANCE OF THOSE LOST ON
SEPTEMBER 11, 2001

ORDINANCE 2007-9 AMENDING CHAPTER 145, GOVERNING CERTIFICATE OF HABITABILITY, CHAPTER 222, GOVERNING PROPERTY MAINTENANCE, AND CHAPTER 234, GOVERNING RENTAL PROPERTY TO ADOPT REVISED VERSION OF BOCA CODE, NOW ICC CODE *2nd READING BY TITLE ONLY AND PUBLIC HEARING

HEARING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Templeton: Talked with Mr. Schaeffer and Mr. Goffredo for their input on this ordinance. Mr. Schaeffer said the building code shouldn't be included in that language since code is state and federal. Ordinance refers to code from 2003 – not 2006. Mr. Corcoran seemed to think that this was the correct date and ordinance.

Fitzpatrick: Mr. Goffredo had indicated that we were still using the old code.

Goffredo: No, the current is 2006. It's for property maintenance only.

Fitzpatrick: I think we should table and reword this.

Lohr: Could this change be made and done tonight?

Heinold: No, substantive change. Suggests zoning and construction officers read and comment. I would just let it die and let the officials have input on the new ordinance. Leave it on the table with no further hearing date and that will let it die.

Resolution Passed unanimously to that effect.

Ordinance 2007-11 CANCELING CERTAIN FUNDED APPROPRIATION BALANCES HERETOFORE PROVIDED FOR VARIOUS CAPITAL PROJECTS AND REAPPROPRIATING A PORTION OF SUCH FUNDED APPROPRIATION BALANCES FOR OTHER CAPITAL PROJECTS

Ouelette: Recommendation from professionals that this be withdrawn due to needed changes.

Resolution Passed unanimously to that effect.

RESOLUTION 2007-112 AUTHORIZING ACTIONS TO PURSUE GREEN ACRES AND COUNTY OPEN SPACE FUNDING ON COOPERTOWN ROAD PROPERTIES, BLOCK 1900, LOTS 5.02 AND 5.03 AND HOLDING PUBLIC HEARING ON SAME

Heinold: Township has received "at risk" authorization – 50% Green Acres 25% county. 25% Delanco.

Taylor made presentation:

Aug. 17th plan for property right behind municipal building. Plan was done quickly without government body or recreation purely to see what could be fit on there. Parking, small athletic building, restroom. 400 ft x 1000 ft. Shown as soccer or football field with 200 ft. baseball field for little league (younger users). Perimeter walking trail to pond with perhaps a fishing dock and picnic pavilion and tot lot for siblings of those playing. Berm to create sense of place.

Fitzpatrick: Presented to DYSA for preliminary review. Because of the way the field drains, they suggested soccer be moved further with baseball in forefront and be made full-size. They don't need two full-size soccer as per their regulations. Got email from Dave Rust at Rec. Wanted tot lot, not fishing pier. Apparently best bass in Nellie's Pond.

Heinold: All we are doing is showing a potential acquisition and the plan is what the property may yield and are not bound by it. It's a way to keep the funding out in the open should the township want to acquire it.

Templeton: What's the impact on the greater ... our portion of Pennington? Does that Green Acres award shift to this site? What is the county part?

Fitzpatrick: County part would shift to this part. Pennington has never been a deal. We never received the deed.

Heinold: There was a deal in place. There may have been issues at Pennington that I've heard for years. For tonight, it's simply a discussion that Green Acres has authorized this as an "at risk" property. Those are important questions. Recreation needs to have input. You need to invite the county back in.

Devinney: What will the cost to the township be?

Heinold: No, appraisers are working on that now. Property owners indicated that they would be willing to sell it to the township for the right price.

HEARING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Resident of Delaware Ave: In the grant scheme of things, what is the next park we are going to buy? Where is the master plan overlay for recreation that was started in 2002? The design is done quite well for a bowling alley. How much land is it?

Heinold: 22 acres

Resident: We already gave land in exchange for Newton's Landing.

Fitzpatrick: In addition to that land, \$42,000 for Pennington from the township.

Resident: What would this cost? More...

DEVINNEY: About four times

Resident: Began planning Pennington without master plan, but there was input from DYSA and recreation with a plan for future growth. \$649,000 was budgeted, over \$600,000 was reappropriated. Taylor Design did a plan ...are we going to build Pennington? It is 27 almost rectangular acres – 7 fields vs. 3 and attracting an attractive nuisance for someone to cut across the tracks. There was a bike track in the plan for Pennington. There isn't one here. I have concerns about taking on a new piece of land without DYSA, Recreation, and the Joint Land Use Board.

Resident: How many members of DYSA were present?

Fitzpatrick: Four. Members were encouraged to come here tonight.

Resident: Rec has been teased with a building. Start your master plan before you start bonding more money. You are taking 22 acres of industrial land. It's ratable and can ease our tax burden in a way that residential land cannot.

Is the pole barn for public works part of this?

Ouellette: It was looked at.

Resident: Will that building be used for record storage?

Fitzpatrick: It wouldn't qualify for Green Acres if it was.

Resident: We have a tendency to do things on the fly.

Fitzpatrick: This is the beginning.

Resident: It's not the beginning.

Fitzpatrick: You must have missed a meeting. We announced that we weren't going to get Pennington.

Ouellette: This property came up about three weeks ago. I could be mistaken and this was going on for some time.

Resident: How will you replace 22 acres of ratable land?

Ouellette: That's a good question.

Resident: I'm urging you to step to the side and do a master plan. I have another question. What will you be doing with bonded money.

Heinold: Issue raised regarding master plan.

Taylor: Land use portion. Recreation as part of the scope. Field of dreams was visualized as future. May need to change due to the county plans. A. Have we lost Pennington? B. What alternatives are there? If this is lost, it's gone forever.

Heinold: We're going to need input from recreation. Did you get numbers on needs projected forward?

Taylor: The plan does – it must be 2003. In 2003, designs were solicited and that site was maxed out. If that parcel doesn't come to fruition, take a step back and see what are the must-haves and what we would like to have.

Resident: If there is immediate need, we have acreage at West Avenue. We need to think in larger terms. Clustering fields will save Mr. Fenimore money and maintenance in travel all over town.

Resident: I have two school-age children. I don't want anything rushed. We're too much in debt. I'm perturbed that money was spent for this. Who signed off for this? How much did it cost to do this plan?

Ouellette: It cost the professional service fees.

Resident: Our taxes went through the roof.

Ouelette: Sometimes you have to spend some dollars to make a plan.

Resident of Second St: Pennington was a crazy idea. We have Savannah Mews land. The land at Savannah Mews have been offered for free and along the river walk.

Heinold: Why did you think Pennington was a crazy idea?

Resident: I don't think our demographics support that.. I would agree with Mike that we have too much debt. We can't afford to take those acres off the tax rolls. We have to build it and maintain it.

Heinold: You're saying plan was driven by dreams.

Fitzpatrick: It was a wish list.

Templeton: What has happened to the county's intention on Pennington? I've lost track.

Heinold: There was supposed to be an exchange. County was to acquire portion of Pennington that was undeveloped.

Fitzpatrick: Steve mentioned it at a meeting a few meetings ago that the county wanted to keep that land.

Templeton: They have withdrawn?

Heinold:

Templeton: We've had a Green Acres award for Pennington siting there for months.

Fitzpatrick: When rec was doing the plan, the building would be \$2 million, so the \$300,000 low interest loan was just a drop in the bucket, and they would have had to be build by piecemeal. I never thought it was a good deal for Delanco. I voted no to bond for spending on any property we didn't own. I don't believe it's a good location due to the access road. Green Acres agreed to move. We would have to pay for utilities. I never thought it would come to fruition. The fields we have are used and maintained. Soccer rips up a field. It would be nice to have a field for make-up games. I don't think we can have one huge park.

Resident of 2nd: I was part of the agreement from the county. Township didn't actively pursue and should have. I don't think there was ever strong enough consensus to get it done.

Fitzpatrick: I disagree

Resident: I agree with David. There should be a walk around the river. The building is a red herring. I thought that was part of what the school was for. I agree that somewhere along the line we need a master plan to determine how many kids we have and what we actually need. The school was built based on Rivers Edge. I don't think that has materialized. We need to be read. If we're not, it scares everyone and raises our taxes.

Resident of Maple: Township didn't approach rec or sports until after the fact. What is the stipulation on the property to the west side of the fields (behind houses on Colgate). I would feel safer sending my daughter there on her bike. Recreation needs storage. We have no help from the school. We bought a shed, but can't use it because we can't get it into the town. This (pointing to the presentation board) is like looking at the field of dreams. It's never going to happen. Is the land going to be tested?

Heinold: Green Acres requires it.

Resident: What about Nellies Pond? I wouldn't fish anything out of there? Come to rec. This is all done behind closed doors. We have fields at West End. We don't get told anything. You could be closing the fields there and building townhouses.

Did you spend money on this?

Ouellette: Yes, on the planning.

Resident: It's just going to be a picture in town hall.

Resident of Maple: Is there anything else that abuts that could be built later that could take away from the park later?

Templeton: To the top is Distributec and on the other side is Winzinger and they told us there are reapplying for the concrete recycling plant.

Resident: The kids in this town need recreation. Kids lost their basketball court at the school and are now playing in the street. It's the disaffected kids you have to worry about. To hear \$300,000 is a drop in the bucket. To bring people and traffic out here ... something hasn't been thought out carefully. You need to look at what is being put in here. Look at how it affects the insurance. I'm not sure about Rivers Edge demographics. It would seem like they would need something more on this side of town. I'd ask you to think it through a little differently.

Resident of Kansas: I heard about a pole barn tonight. I couldn't build one, but you are planning one. If Winzinger gets in, you can expect a lot of trucks where the kids will be going up and down the road.

What happened to the municipal building?

Ouellette: Sold

Resident: What about the Columns? What happened to that? Last time I was here there was a solid deal?

Ouellette: We're back here with more proposals on the table.

Resident: The planning board needs to do more planning.

Resident of McCay: Was Chief Parsons asked about this proposal regarding safety?

Parsons: Discussed briefly with Steve (Corcoran)

Resident: Nothing hasty should be done. Township Committee should look back as to how much money in planners and attorneys was spent on triparty agreement. Please weigh things carefully.

Resident of Burlington Ave: I'm keeping an open mind. I would prefer my open space tax not go to industrial zoned land. Use it if something opens up at Hawk Island or the Lippincott property. You mentioned that this came up a few meetings ago. A few months ago, an appraisal came up, but it was confidential. So this has been going on for a lot longer?

Hinkle: Yes, six weeks.

Resident: I'm missing something on Pennington Park. We were going to get land along the creek and there was an agreement with the county to swap.

Heinold: Pulte still owns along the creek.

Resident: We haven't lost the land.

Taylor: JLUB requirements on that land.

Resident: We could keep the land

Fitzpatrick: Yes, or maybe the county will buy it.

Resident of Kansas: Bad location between two businesses and off the road. As a coach, I see you are asking young children to travel on their own. If you are going to spend money, give it to DYSA now. We have equipment that is duct-taped together. The kids are so enthusiastic. You say the fields are wonderful; they aren't that great. Helmets and balls have pieces missing. We are in debt; we can't spend money on this. Where is he going to put his stuff?

Fitzpatrick: There is something with the code. The shed requires footings

Other resident: Can't be at West End – close to sewer. Other location in commercial – can't go there, but school can put sheds anywhere.

Resident: How many trucking companies are in this town? Can't they solicit for a trailer.

Parsons: I could get one tomorrow.

Resident: Can go to the school.

Heinold: Only issue footings?

Resident: no, it was the size of the container. We have had two containers – roof leaked and then mice. Bought garage 12 x 24. Then needed footings. Township was going to give two sheds and then considered commercial.

Heinold: Footing is state code. What is the plan now? Where do you want to go? If it is township ordinance that's the problem, we can rewrite it? The issue should be where do we want it.

Jass from rec: Frustration...they bought the shed and it keeps coming back; there's no place to put it..

Templeton: I will track down Fenimore, Schaeffer and Rust and try to get our heads together and move forward.

Resident of 2nd: Builder of Creekside was willing to do it in lieu of Creekside Recreation.

Templeton: Still on the table?

Resident: Yes.

Resident of Delaware (me): Comment was made that this came up a while ago and someone must have missed a meeting... I've missed one in the last year and there was never an announcement that the triparty agreement was dead. Someone from Newton's Landing gets up here every 2nd or 3rd meeting and asks for the status of the agreement and you always respond that it hasn't moved.

Fitzpatrick: Steve did say it at one of the last two meetings.

Resident: He said the county might be interested in keeping the land. He didn't say that the agreement was dead.

On the proposed plan, kids need places to play, but you can't afford this. Our debt load is too high. We have residents in tears over their taxes.

Resident: We have land at West Ave. What do we need this for?

HEARING CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC

Heinold: I've done a lot of Green Acres and this is the most revealing I've attended. The common theme is that we need an open-space plan. I think we should follow through with the open space and recreation element of the master plan. It should be based on need.

Vote:

Devinney: No with thanks to the public for expressing their views.

Fitzpatrick: In light of conversation tonight, no.

Hinkle: No,

Templeton: No
Ouelette: No

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:
RESOLUTION 2007-113 AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER FOR THE
ACQUISITION OF STREET SWEEPER

RESOLUTION 2007-114 AUTHORIZING PROFESSIONAL CONTRACT FOR
ENGINEERING SERVICES UNDER THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK
GRANT PROGRAM

PAYMENT OF BILLS
ACCOUNT AMOUNT
GENERAL \$ 511,638.16
PAYROLL \$106,379.30
TRUST \$10,761.78
RECREATION TRUST \$3,950.00
APPROVAL OF MINUTES – 8/6/07 & 8/20/07
APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

CORRESPONDENCE
DISCUSSION ITEMS:

1. MANSION UPDATE

Mr. Squires made a presentation. He wasn't on the agenda. Apparently he showed up for the meeting with his presentation boards.

His private company buys and sells real estate interested in mansion – both he and fiancé have elderly family members who need care. He can work at home. Has had an architect in and will restore painted marble etc.(lots of details on architectural details). Suites, conference room, rooms to entertain clients, rooms for family members. Aquatic therapy in the basement for their parents. Third floor art rooms and playroom for the family. On the back, wrap-around porch, tennis court, three-hole chip and put – basketball court.

Carriage house renovated for guest house.

It will be my private residence. My office (real estate acquisition) will be in the house.

Fitzpatrick: What is the corporate structure?

Squires: Private

Hinkle: What is your use for all the rooms in the back.

Squires: Gourmet kitchen... entertainment room. We have plans to fix bulkhead and do gazebo.

Resident: Will that be open to the public?

Squires: I know that there were certain provisions in the past..

Fitzpatrick: Talk about public use.

Squires: I'm open to that. It's not a deal-breaker. I'm not looking to fence that off.

Resident: How many trees will you cut down?

Squires: Some trimming. Shrubs that are now trees would need to be trimmed.

Resident: Are you going to put condominiums on the sides?
Squires referred to his coaching days and said he'd like to get back into coaching.
Resident: What percentage of business will use the home?
Squires: 15%
Resident: Do you currently do a lot of entertaining at home?
Squires: Yes, but it is outside. Political fund-raising. Fiancé is editor for *Philadelphia Inquirer*.
Resident: Would you be expanding the carriage house?
Squires: no
Resident: Turn-around time?
Squires: 30 days
Resident: You referred to bidding war when the building was available before.
Fitzpatrick: Were you aware of the RFP process?
Squires: Yes, lost interest.
Fitzpatrick: What brought your interest back?
Squires: Drove by, saw it again... would have, should have.
Resident: Still be part of redevelopment zone?
Heinold: Deed restriction for single-family use. He is agreeable. Talked about waterfront and township easement. Redevelopment becomes less of an issue when we are talking about residential.
Resident: Does the asking price cover what the town has in the building? Is it open to anyone who wants to buy it?
Heinold: Since J2 process, efforts by Committee members have resulted in some proposals. Talked about setting a deadline and putting a process in place. Need to review each proposal, quantify, and put a package together so we can structure this.
Resident: Is asking price equal?
Squires: Offer was a dollar to dollar match.
Heinold: Consistent with J2 proposal. Do you have an objection to releasing the figure, Mr. Squires?
Squires: \$1.85 million.
Resident: If Mr. Squires is close to matching J2, what is holding the council from just saying they are matching J2, why aren't we just taking it?
Devinney: If he were the only person interested, that would be the way to proceed. It's your money.
Resident: I agree, but this is a property that is sucking money out of everyone. I had heard that there is a retirement place that is looking for a facility. I was told that Diane Allen was involved in securing funding.
Fitzpatrick: Not that I'm aware of.
There is information we would need before we sign on the dotted line.
Templeton: Is there a niche or bracket on which you tend to focus?
Squires: No
Devinney: Thank you for coming to public session.

Meeting open to the public:

Resident of McCay: Where are we in transition for Newton's Landing?

Heinold: Was to be an agreement related to the farmhouse. I'm waiting to someone from Pulte or Newton's Landing Homeowners' Association to get back to me if township needs to be involved.

Resident: How about bond from I, II, and III?

Heinold: Last I heard Kathy from Birdsall didn't ask for inspection.

Resident: Pulte's contractors were out doing basin on Newton's Landing Blvd. Engineer hasn't been out to date. Winter snow?

Heinold: Pulte shouldn't need to be notified. They own them.

Resident: Court date on the 19th – fine issue.

Heinold: Adjourned. Game plan in place for seed mix.

Resident: Was the tri agreement area under the bonds?

Fitzpatrick: Before anything is turned over it has to meet county specifications.

Heinold: It may have been. I'd have to go back and check.

Resident: Landscape architects need to look at Lot ----- (I missed this number) and 210063.01 I was asked to put this on the record. Will HOA and homeowners be given specific notice of release of the bonds?

Heinold: I don't remember what we did.

Jass: We weren't notified.

Fitzpatrick: I thought that process was put in place.

Resident of Shippo Way: Attended JLUB. You almost didn't have a quorum for the Abundant Life vote. Before Township Committee has private meetings, review who would be there. Recusals. Private meetings are a problem with someone who is associated with the county. Mr. Templeton did not attend, thank God.

Templeton: That was why I didn't attend.

Heinold: Is there someone who said that would have been a conflict?

Resident: One of the professionals suggested that there could be a private meeting and then the master plan could be adjusted to what Abundant Life wanted. We hire professionals, but need to be aware when something looks like it is going to create fees for those professionals, we need to look at that. They need to be rainmakers for their companies. They make money if we do this.

Heinold: Background... Taylor has a contract for master plan regardless of what it includes. Variance application may occur from Abundant Life. Paid from escrow of developers.

Resident: I was referring to Green Acres. Was the Board aware of this or was it just from Steve? My question is about the initial exploring. If it goes to professionals to become part of the master plan, rather than going through the process that everyone else does – the public has no input. It doesn't look good if you have a private meeting with someone associated with the county.

Ouellette: They were sent to the Joint Land Use Board. We had a meeting that lasted an hour and sent them to the Joint Land Use Board.

(I missed something in here.)

Resident: They met with you informally. They asked for a PILOT program. This township has too many pieces of property that are not taxed. Abundant Life hasn't made their contribution to the Rancocas Creek Greenway. What they are planning to build isn't tax-exempt. We're abusing the master plan. I live in a development on an overlay.

On the master plan, we look like affordable housing. We need our master plan. We can't go with "We'll work with you and adjust our master plan later."

Templeton: There's a coincidence that the master plan is being rewritten now and this has come up. Abundant Life is testing the water. They were referred to JLUB due to rewriting of master plan, their lots are also a redevelopment area, and it's a C-1 zone.

JLUB sent it back to Township Committee. Some of those processes are more open than others. Master plan was dated 1999; we're ten years down the road.

Fitzpatrick: They came before full committee in 2002 or 2003 informally to see how they could move forward. At that time, nothing came forward. I'm surprised that it is back.

Resident: Surprised that it was suggested that they meet with master plan subcommittee.

Heinold: That area needs to be looked at. Master plan shouldn't be a closed process. I understand that they have a subcommittee for the master plan because they are so busy.

They need to make it a priority.

Fitzpatrick: Even if master plan was there, they would still have to apply so they couldn't slide through anything. Some pieces are in industrial, commercial, etc... that shouldn't be. A couple of the members of the Township Committee should be on the master plan subcommittee.

Resident of Kansas: Sent a letter to school regarding basketball court?

Fitzpatrick: Went to see Mike (Livingood) - he said they were reviewing. Courts weren't provided by Delanco. Told him that there were 40 kids in lot and far more of a problem to town. They are building a new tot lot.

Ouelette: Talked to Mike. Property behind school open for public recreation - no tie in with basketball courts. He agrees that parking lot has more kids skateboarding.

Parsons: We allow them in there. They didn't tell us they were putting a parking lot in. They can park there. It's a parking lot. No neighbors called. They cleaned up after themselves. We just arrested six 8th-9th graders for graffiti. It wasn't the kids in the parking lot. There isn't anyplace for them to go. We have 8-9 guys. A drunk driver or a domestic can tie up officers for hours.

Hinkle: We need to have liaison with the schools.

Parson: They have no safeties for the kids this year. We weren't told that. We had to add assistance for crossings.

Correspondence: Resignation from Historic Preservation Advisory Board - open seat

Fitzpatrick: Mr. Radcliff who interviewed for JLUB was willing to serve on another board.

2. ORDINANCE 2007-12 CANCELING CERTAIN FUNDED APPROPRIATION BALANCES HERETOFORE PROVIDED FOR VARIOUS CAPITAL PROJECTS AND REAPPROPRIATING A PORTION OF SUCH FUNDED APPROPRIATION BALANCES FOR OTHER CAPITAL PROJECTS

Ouelette: \$177,000 - use for street sweeper instead of loan from Bridge Commission, buy cameras for police department, and pay our share for vehicle for animal control

Fitzpatrick: I thought we were waiting for the ordinance, but we had already decided on the money

Ouelette: We have these dollars here. Let's use them here.

Templeton: What's the \$10,000?

Fitzpatrick: It came from rec.

Templeton: I like the mayor's idea to use this instead of borrowing again.

Fitzpatrick: Anything sent to Bridge Commission?

Lohr: No, Steve was waiting for Bridge Commission.

Motion to revise for street sweeper (119,000) and video cameras for police (33,000)

Templeton: Is there a clock? Can we restructure this in time to use it for the street sweeper bid.

Lohr: You have 60 days. There is no definitive answer on when money from Bridge Commission would be in.

Ouellette: Introduce Sept 24, Mtg. Oct. 1. Enough time?

Heinold: Put it on 24th for 1st reading, can have special meeting for public session.

3. ORDINANCE 2007-13 AMENDING CHAPTER 222 of the CODE ENTITLED "PROPERTY MAINTENANCE" TO PROHIBIT CERTAIN ACTIVITIES ON VACANT LANDS

Heinold: In my report, I have an opinion on issues the township faces on Winzinger regarding this.

Templeton: What's vacant land? Stand alone lot? Does this satisfy legal requirement?

Heinold: Citing under maintenance code – front and side yards don't apply to vacant lot. This ordinance will address procedural issue they are raising.

Fitzpatrick: Would it be held up in court if we pass it at this time?

Heinold: Goal is to get them to come to JLUB and have a public session.

Templeton: They appeared last week. Attorney said use hasn't changed over 25 years they have owned it. Didn't understand why they were cited. Used to be a tree line; it became Enterprise Drive.

Heinold: My understanding they are filing an application.

1st reading tonight – Passed unanimously

Public hearing for Sept. 24th.

4. COOPERTOWN ROAD "FAIR SHARE" PLAN FOR INSTALLATION SEWER LINE – moved to next meeting.

COMMENTS – PROFESSIONALS

COMMENTS – TOWNSHIP ADMINISTRATOR (absent)

Goffredo: ticketed guy for trash as per Fitzpatrick request. Had a response for something Hinkle had referred to him as well.

Lots of calls about kids hanging out at 7-11, near Catholic Charities and by Vinnies.

Talked to Whitesell. I suggested that they post signs for loitering.

Fitzpatrick: I called too. They walked the property. Looking into putting up security camera. Are going to paint. Will enhance grass around trees. Will put container where the bushes are for Catholic Charities.

Using the enforcement program which is working.

Investigating salon on Ash Street.

Fitzpatrick: Hickory and Walnut – empty lot with tall grass.

24 complaints – 27 out of compliance (not sure if I heard these two numbers correctly.)
Received 6 applications with three going to JOUB

COMMENTS - TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE

Hinkle:

- Thanked participants for marrow match
- 45,000 gallons of water used at Gateway Park – broken pipe on Feb. 7th. Broken pipe? Fitzpatrick: problem every year. It was an estimated bill.
- Hinkle: Not estimated.
- Sept. 22 is Hawk Island Clean up

Devinney:

- Fire Commssioners meeting-

Fitzpatrick:

- met with Diane Allen's office regarding Hawk Island. Sent inventory from 1996 and info regarding dredging from 2003. Area is too small for dredge spoils.
- Economic Development – to Hovnanian regarding Savannah Mews as a name for Delanco.
- Historic Preservation – working on sesqeentennial – through school. Also will run on community day at Pennington Park at at senior meeting. On Oct. 7 state signs on historic properties in town. (showed first sign for Dobbins house)
- took FEMA course online. They will come out to do a course for Township Committee.

Templeton:

Joint Land Use Board Meeting

- Oct. 2 for Savannah Mews
- Winzinger's disruption permit shows preexisting landfill was small and confined to one area. They are going ahead with their application for the Class B recycling center (see town website for more information and contacts)
- Jevic installing diesel filling pump in the middle of their property. This had been previously approved.

Also attended meeting in Cherry Hill regarding group homes proposed there for emotionally disturbed kids. Home were bought by a real estate company in Ohio and then by another one in Ohio before being leased by this company which operates programs for younger children with behavioral problems as well as one for adjudicated youth similar to what Capital Academy was bringing here. At that meeting, the acting director of the state Division of Behavioral Services told the three hundred people who were there that they would never place adjudicated youth or sex offenders in a residential neighborhood. We know that's not true from what almost happened here. Ask the people in Camden. That's why we need to be very cautious about the Zurbrugg property.

Ouellette:

- Bulletin board will be back up at the Deli on Franklin soon.

- Burlington County Times vote – Delanco one of the best communities to live. Fire Company the best, as well as Delanco Savings and Loan best bank.

Meeting ended at 11:20 pm Submitted by Maureen Barrett