

COMMISSIONERS OF BRIDGEVILLE
REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 10, 1987

MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 7 PM BY PRESIDING CHAIRMAN JAMES EVANS, IN THE ABSENCE OF PRESIDENT GILEFSKI.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: ALFRED L. JONES, JAMES S. EVANS, WILLIAM L. HARTZELL. COMMISSIONER TULL WAS ATTENDING A WASTE TREATMENT CONFERENCE IN RICHMOND, VA.

GUESTS PRESENT: CHIEF OF POLICE, JOHN TYNDALL; WASTE TREATMENT PLANT MANAGER, JOHN LOSCOMB; CONNIE COLLINS, ALDERMAN; GEORGE GRAVES, THE LEADER: WALTER MARS, THE BANNER; FRANCIS ADAMS, BUTCH TRIBETTS, BRIDGEVILLE FIRE CO.; DENISE L. TATMAN, PATRICIA MAE CORRELL, ADDISON TATMAN, RUTH B. ADAMS, RUTHI ADAMS HUNTER, LANDY CORRELL, AND MIKE COLLISON.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER JONES, SECONDED BY WILLIAM HARTZELL TO DISPENSE WITH THE READING OF LAST MONTH'S MINUTES APPROVED BY THE BOARD.

BILLS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$16,935.98 WERE PRESENTED FOR PAYMENT. A MOTION WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER JONES, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HARTZELL TO PAY ALL BILLS AS PRESENTED. APPROVED BY THE BOARD.

CHAIRMAN EVANS INTRODUCED ABDUL QAISSAUNEE OF CABE ASSOCIATES FOR THE MONTHLY STATUS REPORT OF THE SEWER PROJECT.

MR. QAISSAUNEE SAID THAT CABE ASSOCIATES HAD LOOKED INTO THE POSSIBILITY OF A BACK HOE FOR THE TOWN'S USE AS AN ATTACHMENT TO A PIECE OF EQUIPMENT INCLUDED IN THE PROJECT COST. EPA SAID THEY WOULD PROBABLY NOT APPROVE THIS. THE ATTACHMENT WOULD COST BETWEEN \$7,000. - \$8,000. HE SAID THE TOWN COULD GO THROUGH THE CONTRACTOR TO PURCHASE THE BACKHOE OR BUY IT AT A LATER DATE. HE SAID THEY COULD ALSO TAKE A CHANCE ON EPA PAYING FOR IT AT END OF PROJECT AS THEY SOMETIMES DO IF ANY MONIES ARE LEFT OVER. MR. QAISSAUNEE SAID THERE WOULD BE A MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY MORNING AT 10:00 AM AT THE TOWN HALL FOR PRE-BIDS ON CONTRACT C. HE SAID ONLY 3 CONTRACTORS HAD PUT IN BIDS AND THEY WILL AWARD THE CONTRACT ON 8/27/87. HE SAID THE MATTER OF OBTAINING THE EASEMENTS NEEDED FOR THE 'OUTFALL' HAS NOT BEEN RESOLVED AND THE COMMISSIONERS SHOULD ACT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. HE SAID THAT AT LAST MONTHS MEETING HE WAS TOLD THAT THE EASEMENTS WERE ALL TAKEN CARE OF. HE FEELS THAT PRESIDENT GILEFSKI WILL HAVE TO MEET WITH THE PEOPLE INVOLVED TO TRY TO RESOLVE THE PROBLEM.

MRS. RUTH ADAMS INTRODUCED HERSELF AS HALF OWNER OF THE SUDLER PROPERTY AND STATED THAT THURMAN ADAMS JR. OWNED THE OTHER HALF. MRS. ADAMS SAID SHE HAD NOT BEEN BROUGHT AN EASEMENT TO SIGN OR HAD NEVER DISCUSSED SAME WITH MR. GILEFSKI. SHE WAS NOT AWARE OF ANYTHING UNTIL SHE SAW CRANES AND EQUIPMENT IN THEIR CORN FIELDS. SHE SAID SHE CAME TO THE TOWN OFFICE TO DISCUSS THIS BUT MR. GILEFSKI WAS NOT AVAILABLE. THAT AFTERNOON PRESIDENT GILEFSKI CAME OUT TO HER HOUSE AND APOLOGIZED FOR THE TOWN. SHE TOLD HIM TO GO SEE HER HUSBAND, WHICH HE DID. SHE SAID AN EASEMENT WAS NOT DISCUSSED

NOR HAS SHE SIGNED ONE OR DOES SHE INTEND TO SIGN ONE. SHE ALSO SAID THAT SENATOR ADAMS WOULD NOT SIGN. MRS. ADAMS ALSO WANTED TO KNOW HOW FEDERAL MONEY WAS OBTAINED WITHOUT SIGNED EASEMENTS?

MRS. CORRELL INTRODUCED HERSELF. SHE SAID SHE HAD HER UNSIGNED EASEMENT WITH HER. SHE SAID THAT PRESIDENT GILEFSKI BROUGHT HER THE EASEMENT ON THE DAY BEFORE SHE WAS LEAVING FOR TEXAS AND SHE TOLD HIM SHE WOULD NOT SIGN IT WITHOUT TALKING IT OVER WITH HER SON - AS HE TILLED THE LAND. SHE SAID THAT PRESIDENT GILEFSKI TOLD HER THAT THE ADAMS HAD SIGNED EASEMENTS. MRS. CORRELL SAID SHE HAD TALKED WITH HER LAWYER AND HE SAID HE HAD ALSO WORKED WITH FEDERAL MONIES AND DID NOT KNOW HOW THE MONEY WAS OBTAINED WITHOUT THE SIGNED EASEMENTS. SHE ALSO SAID THAT THERE WAS A CHEAPER WAY OF PUTTING IN THE LINE THAN THE WAY IT IS PLANNED AS SHE HAD TALKED TO AN ENGINEER.

MR. LANDY CORRELL SAID HIS WIFE HAD BEEN HARRASSED BY ONE OF THE FIELD FORMAN EARLY ONE SATURDAY MORNING FOR HER TO SIGN THE EASEMENT PAPERS. HE ALSO ASKED WHY MR. AND MRS. MORRIS TATMAN WERE NOT ADVISED THAT THIS WASTE WATER WAS GOING TO BE DUMPED INTO A STREAM THAT RUNS PRACTICALLY BY THEIR BACK DOOR. MR. CORRELL SAID IF THE TOWN AND CABE ASSOCIATES WERE SO SURE THAT THE DISCHARGE WOULD NOT 'STINK' WHY WOULD THEY NOT SIGN A GUARANTEE TO THAT, WHICH WAS REQUESTED BY THE TATMANS. THE TATMANS WANT THE TOWN COMMISSIONERS TO SIGN AN AGREEMENT TO BUY THEIR PROPERTY AT THE FAIR MARKET PRICE IF AT ANY TIME AN ODOR WAS DETECTED OR THE STREAM BECAME UNSAFE.

MR. QAISSAUNEE SAID THAT THERE IS A SIMILAR WATER SYSTEM IN MILTON AND HE COULD BRING SAMPLES OF WATER WHERE ALL THE ORGANIC MATTER AND EVEN THE AMMONIA HAD BEEN TAKEN OUT.

MRS. RUTHI ADAMS HUNTER INTRODUCED HERSELF AS THE DAUGHTER OF RUTH AND ALVIN ADAMS AND HEIR TO THE PART OF THE PROPERTY IN QUESTION. MRS. HUNTER SAID AS COORDINATOR FOR KENT AND SUSSEX COUNTY HEALTH CENTER SHE HANDLES STATE AND FEDERAL MONIES ALL THE TIME AND SHE TOO QUESTIONS HOW MONEY WAS GOTTEN WITHOUT THE SIGNED EASEMENTS. SHE SAID AS HEIR TO PART OF THIS PROPERTY IS SHE SHOULD WANT TO PLOT THIS LAND FOR A HOUSING DEVELOPMENT AND PUT IN ROADS SHE WOULD BE UNABLE TO DO SO OVER THE PIPES THAT WERE LAID THROUGH THIS LAND LOSING AT LEAST 75 FEET OF LAND. WHO WOULD COMPENSATE HER FOR THIS LOSS ?

MR. QAISSAUNEE SAID THAT ALL THE PLANS AND SPECS ARE SENT TO THE TOWN SOLICITOR FOR HIS INSPECTION AND HE DOES NOT KNOW WHY THESE THINGS HAPPENED.

MRS. ADAMS SAID THAT ANOTHER PIPE BETTER NOT BE LAID OR PUT ON HER LAND OR ANOTHER HOLE DUG. SHE GAVE THE COMMISSIONERS A COPY OF A PAPER DRAWN UP AND SIGNED BY HER AND MR. ADAMS, SENATOR THURMAN ADAMS AND MR. SARGENT OF ELLER CONSTRUCTION CO. FOR TOWN FILES. SHE ALSO WANTED TO KNOW WHO WAS GOING TO COMPENMSATE THEM FOR THE PINE TREES THAT WERE PLANTED THAT ALREADY HAVE BEEN REMOVED. SHE SAID THAT MR. FOWLER OF CABE ASSOCIATES TOLD HER THAT THIS ROUTE WAS BEING PLANNED 3 YEARS AGO WHEN SHE AND HER HUSBAND HAD THE DITCH CLEANED.

COMMISSIONER HARTZELL SAID THIS WAS NOT SO BECAUSE AT THAT TIME SPRAY IRRIGATION WAS BEING CONSIDERED.

MR. ADDISON TATMAN INTRODUCED HIMSELF AND SAID THE DISCHARGE STREAM WAS ONLY 250 FEET FROM HIS SON'S BACK DOOR AND HE WAS CONCERNED.

MRS. CORRELL ASKED IF ANOTHER ROUTE WAS BEING CONSIDERED AT THIS TIME. SHE SAID COMMISSIONER TULL HAD COME TO SEE HER AND HE STATED THAT HE WOULD NOT WANT THIS BEING DISCHARGED AT HIS BACK DOOR EITHER.

MR. FRANCIS ADAMS SAID IT SEEMED TO HIM THAT THE BUILDERS OF THE ORIGINAL PLANT SHOULD BE HELD RESPONSIBLE FOR SOME OF THE PROBLEM, AND THAT WHEN THAT PLANT WAS BUILT INSURANCE COULD HAVE BEEN TAKEN TO COVER SOME OF THESE THINGS.

COMMISSIONER HARTZELL, EVANS AND JONES SAID THAT THEY THOUGHT THE EASEMENTS HAD BEEN SIGNED. COMMISSIONER HARTZELL SAID IT WAS MOST AN UNFORTUNATE SITUATION AND AGAIN APOLOGIZED FOR THE TOWN. HE SAID THAT THE COMMISSIONERS WOULD TRY TO RESOLVE THE PROBLEM AND CONCERNS OF ALL. MR. HARTZELL TOLD MR. QAISSAUNEE THAT MR. SARGENT OF ELLER CONSTRUCTION MUST BE STOPPED BY CABE ASSOCIATES. DIGGING IS GOING ON NOW BUT IT IS IN THE DRAINAGE DITCH OF THE STATE HIGHWAY.

MR. QAISSAUNEE SAID WORK COULD BE STOPPED FOR 90 DAYS - BUT THESE PROBLEMS SHOULD BE RESOLVED AS FAST AS POSSIBLE. IF ANY CHANGES ARE MADE IT CAN COST THE TOWN OF BRIDGEVILLE MONEY.

CHAIRMAN EVANS THANKED ALL PARTIES FOR COMING AND SAID A MEETING WOULD BE SCHEDULED AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE BETWEEN ALL PARTIES INVOLVED AND THE COMMISSIONERS AFTER THE RETURN OF PRESIDENT GILEFSKI.

CHAIRMAN EVANS READ A BLOCK GRANT APPLICATION WRITTEN BY TOWN MANGER, CLIF LAVERTY AND KNOWN AS "A BUFFER DEVICE AT WELL #5 TO PROTECT THE OLD (1940 -) PIPE THAT HAS BEEN DAMAGED IN THE AREA OF WELL #5. FUNDING CALLS FOR 10% MATCH OF APPROXIMATELY \$3,100.00 IF APPROVED BY THE DIVISION OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT" THE COMMISSIONERS PRESENT SIGNED ALL THE NECESSARY PAPERS FOR THE GRANT. THE PAPERS WILL NEED PRESIDENT GILEFSKI SIGNATURE ALSO.

CHAIRMAN EVANS PRESENTED THE WATER BILL OF PAUL MOWBRAY FOR DISCUSSION IT WAS DECIDED MORE INFORMATION WAS NEEDED BEFORE ADJUSTMENT COULD BE MADE.

CHAIRMAN EVANS CALLED FOR DEPARTMENT REPORTS. ALDERMAN COLLINS REPORT SHOWED AN INCREASE IN CONSUMPTION AND USE OF ALCOHOL. THERE WERE 5 LAST MONTH DUE TO THE DUI PROGRAM PUTTING A POLICEMAN ON EXTRA PATROL. (REPORT ATTACHED)

POLICE DEPARTMENT - COMMISSIONER JONES SAID THAT TRAFFIC HAS BEEN HEAVIER IN AUGUST THAN IN JULY AND THAT OVERALL TRAFFIC HAS INCREASED OVER LAST YEAR.

STREET DEPARTMENT - COMMISSIONER HARTZELL HAD NOTHING AT THIS TIME.

WATER DEPARTMENT - COMMISSIONER EVANS SAID THE PROBLEM AT WELL # 5 SEEMS TO BE ELECTRICAL AND NOT THE MOTOR AS HAD BEEN SUGGESTED. HOPEFULLY THE PROBLEMS WOULD SOON BE WORKED OUT.

A COPY OF THE TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT IS ATTACHED.

CHAIRMAN EVANS INTRODUCED BUTCH TRIBITTS' OF THE BRIDGEVILLE FIRE Co.. MR. TRIBITT SAID THERE WOULD BE A FIRE PREVENTION PARADE ON OCTOBER 11TH. STARTING AT 1:00 PM AND WOULD LIKE TO HAVE THE TOWN'S PERMISSION AND THEIR PARTICIPATION OF THE COMMISSIONERS. THE COMMISSIONERS AGREED THAT THEY HAD NO PROBLEM WITH THE PARADE AND WOULD INDEED LIKE TO PARTICIPATE. THEY SUGGESTED THAT MR. TRIBITT GET TOGETHER WITH CHIEF TYNDALL.

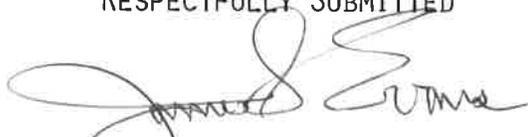
MR. FRANCIS ADAMS SAID HE HAD SOME CONCERNS ABOUT THE PROPER FENCING AT THE SITE OF THE PROPOSED STATE HOUSING PROJECT. HE PRESENTED PICTURES HE HAD TAKEN OF A HOUSING PROJECT AT CAMDEN; WHERE A WOODEN FENCE HAD BEEN ERECTED. IT WAS FULL OF WEEDS AND IN NEED OF PAINT AND REPAIRS. HE HOPES THE COMMISSIONERS WILL INSIST ON A CHAIN LINK FENCE AS THIS RUNS CLOSE TO HIS PROPERTY LINE. HE SAID HE KNOWS HOW THE STATE CAN GIVE THE-RUN-AROUND AFTER THE PROJECT IS DONE.

MR. MIKE COLLISON TOLD THE COMMISSIONERS HE HAD A CONCERN OF A MAN WHO WAS LIVING IN A CAR AND SLEEPING IN THE PARK ON DELAWARE AVE. HE SAID OTHER NEIGHBORS ARE CONCERNED ALSO. HE WOULD LIKE SOMETHING DONE ABOUT IT. CHIEF TYNDALL WAS INSTRUCTED TO GIVE HIS ATTENTION TO THIS MATTER.

MR. FRANCIS ADAMS SAID HE HAD 4 PIECES OF PROERTY THAT MR. HATHAWAY WHO ATTENDED LAST MONTH'S MEETING, MIGHT BE INTERESTED IN FOR HIS BUSINESS. HE THINKS IT COULD BE NARROWED DOWN TO 2 SITES. (ROUS PROPERTY & HOWARD ALLEN PROPERTY SOUTH OF RAILROAD). HE WOULD NEED OUTSIDE STORAGE CLOSE TO RAILROAD, WOULD USE ABOUT 40,000 GALS OF WATER A DAY AND EMPLOY APPRXIMATELY 25 PEOPLE ON A SIMILAR PAY SCALE OF NANTICOKE HOMES. IF LAND HERE IS SOON NOT OBTAINED , MR. HATHAWAY WILL GO TO GEORGETOWN INDUSTRIAL AIRPORT PARK WHERE HE CAN RENT LAND FOR \$200 AN ACRE PER YEAR. HE WOULD HAVE TO CLEAR THE LAND. MR. ADAMS WANTED TO KNOW IF A FIRE HYDRANT THAT HAD BEEN TAKEN OUT IN THE ALLEY BEHIND HIS STORE COULD BE RE-INSTALLED. COMMISSIONER HARTZELL SAID THE FIRE COMPANY WOULD BE CONTACTED TO SEE IF IT IS NEEDED AND IF IT COULD PROVIDE ENOUGH WATER TO FIGHT A MAJOR FIRE. MR. ADAMS SAID THAT WATER WAS ALSO STANDING IN FRONT OF 109 CANNON ST. HE DOES NOT KNOW IF IT IS FROM HIS METER OR WHAT. JOHN LOSCOMB WILL CHECK IT OUT.

MOTION WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER JONES, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HARTZELL TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 8:30 PM AND TO GO INTO A SHORT EXECUTIVE SESSION.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED



JAMES S. EVANS, SECRETARY