

MONTHLY MEETING

January 8, 2002

The Commissioners of Sudlersville held their monthly Town Meeting on Tuesday January 8, 2002. In attendance were Commissioners Lucy Kimble and Sandy Dulin, Town Manager, Mickey Fluharty and Town Clerk, Aline Skinner. Guests included town residents Bill Reynolds, Frank Davis, Karen Craft, David Supers and Bill Roe and Joe Skinner of the Jaed Corp.

After the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, motions were made, seconded and unanimously approved to accept the minutes, treasurer's reports and budget vs. actual reports as presented.

Joe Skinner of the Jaed Corp presented the Assessment Report with recommendations for repairs and renovations to the Administrative Complex. Mr. Skinner passed out written reports to the Commissioners, the Town Manager and the Town Clerk. He then reviewed the report with the Commissioners outlining the repairs and renovations that will be necessary to bring the buildings up to code. After a brief question and answer period, the Commissioners determined they would review the report and get back to Mr. Skinner with their decision on how they wish to proceed.

Next on the agenda was Ordinance 2002-01 concerning Municipal Infractions. This Ordinance gives the Commissioners the power to enforce the municipal infractions along with a fee schedule for fines. After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Commissioner Dulin, seconded by Commissioner Kimble and unanimously approved to pass Ordinance 2002-01.

Town Manager, Mickey Fluharty, reported on his meeting with Ken Woods of Lifetime Well Drilling. There were 2 scenarios discussed. Before anything can be done, Mr. Woods indicated that test wells must be drilled to determine how much water can be drawn. He quoted a price of \$750.00 for each well. One well will be drilled on the town office property and there is a possibility one may have to be drilled at the firehouse. A motion was made by Commissioner Dulin, seconded by Commissioner Kimble and unanimously approved to have the test wells drilled. Town resident, Bill Roe, suggested the fire well be located in front of the Elementary School. Mickey will check into his suggestion.

Commissioner Kimble received a letter of resignation from Mr. Paul Swain. His work commitment is not allowing him to attend P&Z meetings. The Commissioners appointed Karen Craft to serve out Mr. Swain's term. On a motion by Commissioner Dulin, seconded by Commissioner Kimble and unanimously approved, Mr. Swain will now serve on the Board of Appeals. The Appeals Board is still needs one more person. Mr. E.T. Kimble was asked to serve and upon his acceptance, a motion was made by Commissioner Dulin, seconded by Commissioner Kimble and unanimously approved to appoint Mr. Kimble to the Board of Appeals. After a brief discussion, it was decided to stagger the terms of the three board members. Gayland Clark's term will expire in January of 2003, Paul Swain's in 2004 and E.T. Kimble's in 2005.

A letter was received from Mr. Frank Davis, President of Phillip's Garage, with a proposal to lease the town property directly behind Phillips Garage (referred to as the Warehouse Property). After a brief discussion, Mr. Davis was told the Commissioners would take his letter under advisement. Commissioner Kimble agreed to contact the town lawyer to see what options the town has.

Town Manager, Mickey Fluharty, reported he met with Sudlersville Fire Chief, Robbie Blackiston, to discuss the progress of the Emergency Management Plan for the town. An emergency numbers list and a notification list are being worked on. We met with the new town accountant, Chuck Ireland. Minors clean up items were discussed and Mickey will be working on his recommendations at a later date. The second edition of The Sudlersville Times was mailed with the January sewer bills. Windows "98" and the Norton Anti-Virus "2002" were installed on the office computer. These changes are the beginning of the upgrades to the computer. A new mouse was purchased but it needs an adapter. Mickey also reported he received a letter from the State Highway Department regarding our concern about truck traffic. They indicated they were doing everything they can to help. We should continue to pursue whatever we can get State Highway to do in a reasonable manner. There is also the possibility of putting pressure on the sheriff to police our area more frequently. Schools at both ends of town may afford us some leverage. There was a brief discussion about the poor condition of the road at the intersection of Rts. 300 and 313. This problem has been reported several times. Mickey will follow up.

E. T. Kimble reported he is compiling a report on the East Station. He will get the information together and meet with Mickey to determine a course of action.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Aline P. Skinner
Town Clerk