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Serving the Back Mt. Area

HL man displeased by taxpayers action

The board of the Harveys Lake Taxpayers Association gave unanimous approval to a number of resolutions and motions last Tuesday night with such dispatch that one association member walked out on the meeting.

Assn. member Nick DiVeronica, a prominent Harveys Lake businessman, challenged the board's right to establish resolutions and positions for the entire association without soliciting the vote and opinions of association members.

Association President William "Buddy" Hoblak defended the board actions by referring DiVeronica to the association's recent articles of incorporation and bylaws which he claimed authorized the board to act.

He offered DiVeronica an opportunity to buy a copy of the bylaws so that he could better understand the organizational structure. The five board members at the association then unanimously passed a motion authorizing the sale of copies of the bylaws to any member who wished to obtain them.

DiVeronica expressed his general displeasure at the limitation of taxpayer participation in the association decisions and walked out of the meeting.

Among the actions unanimously agreed by the association board were a resolution "condemning Councilwoman Michelle Tattersall Boice" for her suggestion that residents petitioning for the restoration of garbage service in the borough be reassessed for property tax computations.

Hoblak said Mrs. Boice would "not permit protest without penalty" and said it was "bad enough" for borough taxpayers to be penalized by the discontinuance of garbage collection "after having paid for it."

The resolution called Boice's suggestion a "totalitarian" view.

Boice has been a public critic of the taxpayers association, having stated that the group does not truly represent the taxpayers of the borough.

The Association board also

unanimously passed a resolution calling for strict enforcement of borough zoning ordinances restricting "living over the water" to non-conforming structures registered with the borough.

A portion of the meeting consisted of a report by Hoblak on a meeting arranged by State Sen. Frank O'Connell for taxpayer association representatives with officials of PennDOT.

Hoblak said the delegation intended to press borough claims that PennDOT inspectors were negligent in inspecting and improving road installations following the installation of borough sewers. Other complaints included deteriorated guardrails, drainage problems and improper swales.

According to Hoblak, the PennDOT spokesman at the meeting focussed his reply on "improperly installed driveways" which cause ice buildup in the winter and subsequent road deterioration.

PennDOT indicated that it would solicit assistance from the borough council asking their help in administering specifications for future driveway installations and modifications of existing drives which cause problems.

Borough Council President Frank Coulton, present at the taxpayer's association meeting, asked why he and Mayor Alvin Zim were not included in the delegation which met with PennDOT officials and O'Connell, since their participation in the visitation had been discussed at a borough council meeting. Hoblak said there may have been "a misunderstanding."

Then Coulton asked what disposition PennDOT indicated about repaving and reinstallation of guardrails on state-maintained roads at the lake. Coulton pointed out that the delegation had raised questions about inspection negligence by PennDOT officials and come back with a report about how driveway drainage was the reason for bad road conditions.

Hoblak reported that the ranking PennDOT official, when asked about repaving and guardrails, merely "smiled."



FLOWERS BEAUTIFUL—Bright red and white flowers mixed with bright green greet visitors as they enter the center of Dallas. The

flowers surround the front of Fino's Pharmacy at the corner of Main Street and the highway.

Shaffer reports carnival a success

Country Carnival Chairman Bill Shaffer reported that this year's event turned out to be most successful fair sponsored by the Dallas Fire and Ambulance, Inc.

"We had capacity crowds every day, Friday through Sunday," said Shaffer. "We extend our sincere appreciation to the Back Mountain residents for their support."

Forty five fire companies took part in last Friday night's parade with 59 pieces of equipment, according to Parade Chairman Lynn

Sheehan. Daddow Isaacs American Legion Post 672 headed the parade.

Other participants included uniformed units of Irem Temple and the Edwardsville mini-football teams.

Trophies were awarded to Breslau Fire Company, best apparatus; West Wyoming Hose Co. No. 1, newest truck; Trucksville Fire Company, oldest truck; Franklin Hose Co., Edwardsville, most men; Espy Fire Co., Espy, farthest distance; Franklin Ladies

Auxiliary, largest ladies auxiliary, Larksville Fire Co. Auxiliary, farthest distance.

The Judges Award went to Washingtonville Fire Co., White Eagle Hose Co., Old Forge, Wilkes-Barre Township Fire Co., and Shavertown Fire Co.

Judges were Fire chiefs Joe Kowalchin, Honey Pot; Steve Kubasti, Swoyersville; Jack Stephenson, Trucksville; and Al Uzdella, Breslau.

The parade lasted more than an

hour.

Prizes awarded at the Country Carnival were 19 inch color TV, Roger Bartholomew, RD 3, Dallas; \$250 gift certificate from Daring's, Don Hazeltine, Dallas; Remington rifle, Dallas; 31-day chime clock, Joe Perugino, Kingston.

Other prizes awarded were a handmade doll to Audrey Stogoski, RD 4, Dallas; red and green afghan, Mary Theresa Wenger, Kingston; and a yellow afghan, Robert Senchak, Dallas.

Ross Twp. purchases 1981 diesel truck

by Louise Edwards
Ross Township supervisors held a special meeting Tuesday, Aug. 26, at the township building to open bids for a new diesel dump truck. At a previous meeting, the supervisors approved a motion to advertise for a 1981 diesel 8.2 liter engine with a dump body believing it would

provide lower fuel cost, better fuel mileage and less engine maintenance than a gasoline engine.

Six bids were submitted at the Aug. 26 meeting. The supervisors voted to accept a low bid of \$22,997 for a GMC truck submitted by Isaacs Inc.

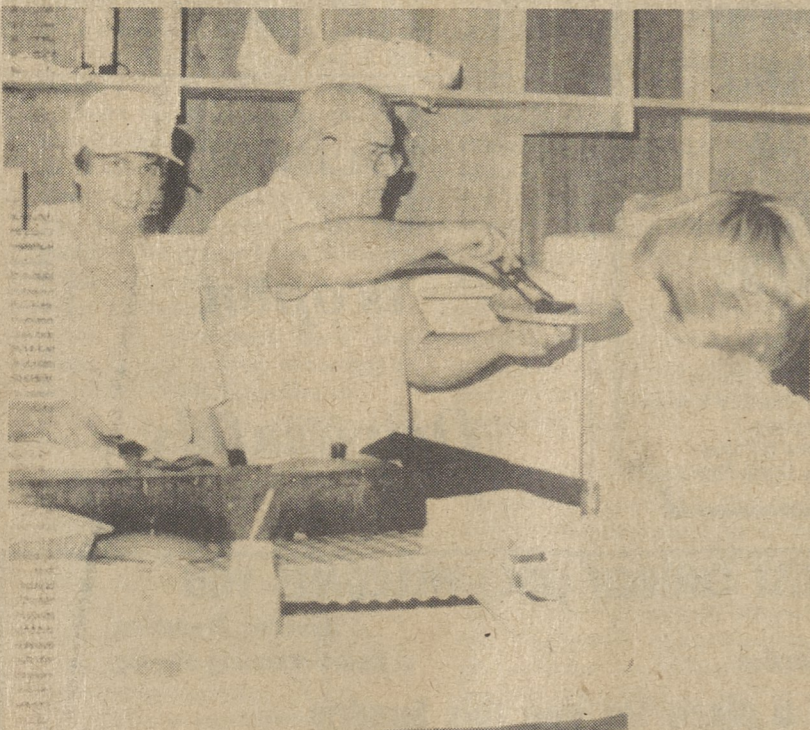
A representative from Isaac's

stated that production of 1981 trucks will begin about the first week of September and that delivery of the truck can be expected eight to 10 weeks from that date.

The supervisors will keep the snow plow, plow frame and plow lights from the township's 1972 GMC truck and when the new truck is delivered, they will put the 1972

GMC out for bids. A lone bid of \$3,500 was submitted by J.L. Culver of Shickshinny to plaster and stucco the Ross Township municipal building.

The supervisors voted to accept the bid but have the new work done in light brown instead of pink which is the present color of the building.



CHEF LYONS—Dallas Borough Police Chief Ed Lyons takes his turn at chef at the food booth last weekend at the Dallas Fire and Ambulance Country Carnival. Above, Lyons serves a young customer at the stand. [Photo by Mark Moran]

FAREWELL FINE FRIENDS—The employees of the Pennaprint staff recently held a farewell luncheon, at the Irem Temple Country Club, for Ray Carlsen, former publisher and his wife, Blaze Carlsen. Employees attending, first row, l to r: Ruth Holthaus, Bea LaBar, Olga Kostrabala, Kay Whitehead, Virginia Hoover, Betty Meeker, Jane Opalicki, Estella Parker and Charlot Denmon. Second row, Ray Carlsen, Blaze Carlsen, Peggy Poynton, By Phillips, Jim Smith, Martin Reddington, Susan Duncan, Jan Jones and Debbie Zurinski. [Photo by Mark Moran]

