



Modern physics had its way last week when Paul Nulton Jr.'s garage roof was hoisted from its original foundation, where it rested for 30 years, to a new structure constructed behind the family Funeral Home.

Nulton garage roof moves with ease

It was "Iffy" right up to the end, but the roof held firm as it moved from the old foundation to the new. Edged up and along by a gigantic crane, jutting over 60 feet into the air, the 30 year old lid was destined to land in tact or crumble in mid air. It was a success or failure venture for Beaumont Funeral Director Paul Nulton, Jr. on Thursday morning, August 5. And his happy smile as the roof gently touched down on the new 46x25 foot garage was evidence of the final result.

Nulton said he decided to try moving the roof in an attempt to save dollars. Crane rental cost \$800. But constructing a roof from scratch was estimated to cost close to \$4,000. Of course, he knew he would have lost his investment if the idea didn't work. But Nulton put his faith in his friend, Norman Dymond, a masonry contractor from Vernon.

Dymond orchestrated the entire job, and assured Nulton his chances were good. Nulton's faith was well placed as the six ton structure moved easily and safely.

"This is the most excitement Beaumont has seen in ten years," said Nulton, as neighbors gathered to watch the drama. The danger point occurred when the roof broke loose from the old structure and was initially supported by the eight wires reaching from the crane. But all went well, Walsh steel crane operator, Peter Wasenda manipulated the controls expertly and Dymond and a

crew of helpers handled the ground work.

Nulton built the new garage to provide parking space in the rear of the funeralhome on Route 309. He estimates he'll have room for about 40 cars once the old structure is cleared out of the way. The new garage sits just behind the old and was built with the exact dimensions of the original.

Nulton also expressed confidence in the construction of the roof itself. Built by his grandfather, the late Harry B. Gibson, it was "alot stronger than anything you'll find built today, he said. "I wish the old guys were here to see this. But I have a feeling he's looking down and watching with a big grin on his face."

Jackson Township

Road takeover hindered

If Jackson Township supervisors take over the roads in the Sutton Hills development off Sutton Road, modern communications can certainly take no credit for the accomplishment. Township fathers have had the issue thrust upon them periodically since 1979 and still have not come face-to-face with developer John Churnetsky.

Most recently, a meeting was finally arranged for July 29. This, however, was cancelled when Churnetsky was called out of town. The meeting was proposed at the July 12 supervisory session in response to a petition from the 14 residents living in the development. The decision to talk to Churnetsky was made after three months of haggling and an engineer's report on the condition of the roads.

Driving through Sutton Hills, one is impressed by the lovely spacious homes and surroundings. While the road itself is somewhat hilly with several wide curves, it appears smooth and has stable shoulders. Churnetsky says the layout was constructed with the explicit approval of Township planners. He sees no reason for a problem now.

Still, Township Engineer Michael Pasonick, in his report to the supervisors, said the pavement is alligatoring and again required guardrails in the dip adjacent to the pond.

Churnetsky has explained in the past that he has strong misgivings about installing guardrails because of underground television, electric and telephone cables. But he continues to maintain, he is willing to discuss the matter with the supervisors and Pasonick.

Why hasn't he done so? The issue has been brought up

repeatedly at public meetings in the township. Other developers, who build in the municipality, are watching to see that regulations are not eased for Sutton Hills. Jim Veras, developer of Bulford Farms, said the supervisors are aware that they are on a tightrope. "They can't do anything for Churnetsky that they won't do for the rest of us," he said.

On the other hand, at least 14 taxpaying families live in Sutton Hills, paying hefty amounts for their properties. They feel, and everyone agrees, that they deserve something for their money, and road maintenance is about the only service a homeowner gets in Jackson Township.

Churnetsky said he has always relied on a private contractor to keep the roads clean during foul winter weather. But, he said, icing problems experienced in the region last winter, were a serious hardship.

He also noted that he is not a professional developer, although he takes the responsibility very seriously. He said he understands why the residents want the Township to take over the .7 miles of road after last winter. But, he also explained that idea of private roads is rather appealing, too. "It gives us privacy," he said.

In the meantime, the supervisors, Churnetsky and Pasonick have not said any of this to each other. They still have not met. Churnetsky says he doesn't even know what chairman Walter Zincavage looks like and he's sure Zincavage doesn't know him. With such cooperation and communication, it's no wonder a simple matter of road takeover takes three years. How long might it take to solve a real problem in Jackson Township?

Property transfers

The following property transfers in amounts of \$20,000 or more were filed recently with the office of the Luzerne County Recorder of Deeds, Frank C. Castellino:

Mary J. Goeringer to Robert F. Moore, P.O. Box 306, Dallas; Lehman Township, \$35,800.

Raymond S. Martin Jr. to Rebecca and Gary Kohli, 185 Carverton Road, Trucksville; Kingston Township, \$100,000.

Claire L. Wesley to Marcia J. and Randall A. Walsh, Main Road, Sweet Valley, Hunlock Creek; Ross Township, \$25,000.

Richard F. Foy to Barbara S. and Ira A. Hiberman, 397 Greenpond Drive, Shavertown; Greenpond Drive, Kingston Township, \$53,000.

Floyd Milbrodt to Debra Ann Cornell, Zosh Road, RD 4, Dallas; Lehman Township, \$35,500.

Vincent J. Correale to Robin D. and William F. Astrum III, RD 4, 127 Hemlock Drive, Dallas; "Oak Hill" west section, 127 Hemlock Drive, Lehman Township, \$52,500.

William P. Crosher to Judy B. and John M. Devane, 10 Savoy Drive, Dallas; Orchard View Terrace, Dallas Township, \$75,000.

John B. Kempka to Earl W. Boehm, RD 2, Box 152, Harveys Lake; Lakeview Avenue, Harveys Lake, \$34,000.

Karl W. Lown to Dorothy K. and Rick W.

Bath, RD 2, Idetown Road, Lehman Township; Lehman Township, \$47,390.

Estate of Letha A. Mayer to Phyllis J. and Hanford L. Eckman, RD 5, Millington Road, Shavertown; 149 Lake St., Dallas, \$37,000.

David G. Iverson Jr. to Karen A. and Albert E. Agnew, 39 Hazleton St., Shavertown; property there, \$44,125.

Bruce C. Artman to Patricia G. and Harry P. O'Neill III, Pioneer Avenue, Dallas Township; Pioneer Avenue, Dallas township, \$76,500.

Gerald G. McDonough Jr. to Glenn J. Lewis, Pole 212, Harveys Lake; Point Breeze, Harveys Lake, \$57,500.

Michael Ferraro to Janice and Richard Clark, 153 Perrin St., Swoyersville; Perrin Street, Swoyersville, \$47,950.

Gerald Kotulski to Debra A. and Stephen R. Crisarick, Box 119F, Oval Drive, Lakeway Manor, Dallas; Oval Drive,

Lakeway Manor, \$36,000. Miller J. Stella to Holly and Dwight Hodne, RD 3, Box 275, Dallas; 9 Woodlawn Ave., Dallas, \$42,000.

Right to know

Wednesday, Aug. 11--Kingston Township Board of Supervisors, Township Municipal Building, 8 p.m.

Thursday, Aug. 12--DAMA, Municipal Authority Building, 8 p.m.

Monday, Aug. 16--Dallas Township Board of Supervisors, Township Municipal Building, 7 p.m.

Monday, Aug. 16--Dallas Township Zoning Board, Township Municipal Building, 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, Aug. 17--Dallas Borough Council, Borough Building, 8 p.m.

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