

KT planners hear complaints about Maple Crest subdivision

By CHARLOT M. DENMON
Staff Writer

More than 50 residents from the Carverton Road area attended last Tuesday's meeting of the Kingston Township Planning Commission in protest of the Maple Crest subdivision proposed by developers Flack, Wallach and Moreck.

The Maple Crest subdivision of 32 homes was on the agenda for review and discussion only to inform the planning commission of the developers' plans. No official action was taken by the committee.

Questions raised by residents involved water, traffic conditions and access to the well which supplied water to their homes, since

the proposed development would be behind their homes.

Lynn Wallach explained that he had a study done by engineers at his expense, the result being the engineers reported that there seemed to be a sufficient amount of water.

"The interesting note is that the crowd that came out was only there because the developer was nice enough to go door to door with a letter about the meeting, so all the residents would be informed," Township Manager Jeffrey Box said. "They are the most cooperative developers that the township has worked with," Box stated.

In other business the Commission:

- Recommended final approval of Mrs. Blaze's Bunker Hill subdivision into three lots.

- Recommended approval by supervisors of Hidden Acres on Green Road subject to submission of final plans to DER by Davis Designs, developer.

- Rejected a request by Steven Lloyd for variance of roadways from 25 feet in width to 20 feet in Summerfield development.

The commission members explained that after seeing what happened to Woodridge and Woodcrest, they didn't want to see it happen again. The 20-foot roadways are too narrow for emergency vehicles nor do they look good, the commissioners said.



BANK BRANCH OPENS - The Grange National Bank of Wyoming County cut the ribbon on its new branch in Beaumont last Wednesday. A grand opening celebration will be held this Friday and Saturday, with the first 200 customers receiving a free silver dollar. Present for the ceremony last week were, left to right; Joyce Wall, teller, Joan Bindal, teller, C.J. Cornell, president of the board of directors, K. Price, secretary of the board, Tom McCullough, vice-president and CEO, Boice Lavre, director, Larry Tyler, director. (Photo by Charlotte Bartizek)

KT supers will oppose PG&W rate hike

The Kingston Township Supervisors will oppose the Trucksville Water Company's request with the Public Utilities Commission for a 90.8% rate increase. At last Wednesday's Board of Supervisors meeting, the board authorized Township Manager Jeffrey Box to file a complaint with the Public Utilities Commission.

The utility wants the increase to take effect March 31, and water users have until that time to regis-

ter their comments. While the supervisors said they could not speak for township residents, they felt that the township should complain as a water user itself.

In other business at the meeting, Box reported that Kingston Township has been approved for a \$50,000 grant from the Luzerne County Office of Community Development. Box said the money would be used primarily for road and sidewalk repair and construc-

tion. Since the grant is for work in low to moderate income areas, the township must conduct a survey of residents' incomes to determine where the work can be done.

Box also reported that the township's request for a "blight elimination grant" from the Pennsylvania Department of Community Affairs had been turned down.

The township's efforts to have a traffic light installed at the intersection of Route 309 and Franklin Street have once again failed, as the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation, which must authorize the installation, found less than the required minimum traffic flow during a survey it conducted in December.

State regulations require an average of at least 75 vehicles per hour in one direction during an eight hour period to qualify for installation of a traffic signal.

The supervisors authorized Box to readvertise for bids for the Center Street Park project. All bids received last year were too high and were rejected. The park has now been redesigned and reduced in scope, and the bidding will be in two parts; one for excavation and the other for equipment.

The Board of Supervisors will hold a special meeting on Friday, February 17 to appoint a replacement for Ambrose Gavign, who recently died. Box said there have been several applicants for the position, but that anyone interested may still contact him.

In other matters, the board:

- Appointed William Tippet and Box to the Police Pension Board of Trustees.

- Appointed Tippet as the liaison with the police department for the remainder of 1989.

- Reappointed Osbert J. Patton as sewage enforcement officer.

- Accepted a settlement with the Chrysler Motors Corporation for an accident in 1985.

- Authorized Box to institute two personal days and two additional sick days to the benefit package that all full-time non-uniformed township employees receive.

Robert C. Wheeler will manage new bank branch

Robert C. Wheeler is the manager of the newest branch of the Grange National Bank of Wyoming County, which opened in Beaumont February 8.

Wheeler, whose title is vice president, has been with the bank for all of his 23 year banking career. He started as a teller in the main office in Laceyville, and has since served in all areas of the bank's business.

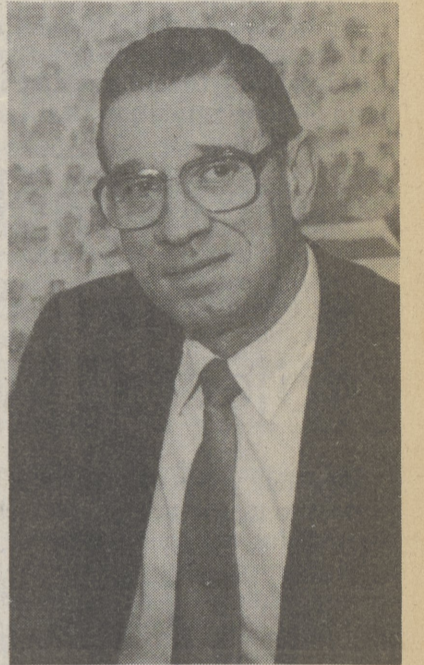
The bank's latest branch is located at the intersection of Routes 29 and 309 in Beaumont, eight miles from the center of Dallas. Under construction since November, the branch will house the bank's facilities and provide office space for tenants. Facilities will

include a drive-up window and night depository.

"We like to provide friendly, personal service in all our branches," Wheeler said. "We try to know our customers. We also offer convenient hours, including Saturday morning and some evenings."

Wheeler is no stranger to working at branches of the bank, having served as manager of the Lawton branch for several years. With the addition of the Beaumont office, Grange National Bank of Wyoming County now has four locations, including its main office in Laceyville.

Wheeler, who lives in Meshoppen, is married and the father of two adult children.



Robert C. Wheeler

Kingston Township briefs

Applications open for rec commission

The Kingston Township Board of Supervisors will be accepting applications from individuals interested in serving on the Township Recreation Commission.

The Recreation Commission is a very active community oriented group whose function is to formulate activities for residents of the Township. These activities include Christmas decorating contests, Hobbie nights and the summer recreation program for children.

Anyone interested in serving may send a letter of application or apply in person to: Jeffrey K. Box, Kingston Township Manager, 11 Carverton Road, Trucksville, PA 18708. Phone: 696-3809.

Hobby Nights planned

The Kingston Township Recreation Commission is sponsoring the "Second Annual Hobby Nights" scheduled to take place at the Westmoreland Elementary School on three consecutive Thursday nights - February 23, March 2 and March 9, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Featured will be stamps, handcrafts, tokens, baseball cards, trains, coins etc.

Anyone who would like to display, call Cy Chadwick at 696-3325 for more information.

Hobby nights will be free to the public.

Back Mountain briefs

Fire hits Franklin Township barn

A fire Saturday that destroyed a barn owned by Marietta Gay has been labled suspicious by the state fire marshal. The barn and two vehicles stored inside it were consumed in the blaze. Franklin Township fire chief Robert Appleby was quoted as saying he believed the fire was arson because traces of gas fumes were found around the perimeter of the barn.

DAR names winners of Good Citizen Contest

Susan Wells, Dallas Senior High School, and Allyson Lukasavage, Lake-Lahman High School, are among the winners of the Wyoming Valley Chapter of the Daughters of The American Revolution Good Citizen Contest. The winners and their parents will be guest of honor at a reception and awards ceremony Saturday, March 18, at 1:30 p.m. at the Dorrancetown United Methodist Church, Kingston.

The students will represent their schools in statewide and national contests.

Board

(continued from page 1)

selor Dr. Rhoda Tillman who accepted a position with the Wyalusing School District. They appointed Ms. Debra Hadzor, RD 1, Dallas, as a temporary professional employee to replace Dr. Tillman.

Directors approved the request to send John Wega to the Eastern Pennsylvania Educational Computing Conference; Mrs. Charlotte Williams to the Pennsylvania Association of School Business Officials; Fred Templin to the 20th Annual Federal Programs Conference and Gilbert Griffiths to the Regional Conference at a total cost of \$1,431.15.

Directors accepted the resignation of Mrs. Peggy L. Boyes, secretary to the business manager, effective April 2, 1989, and also authorized a leave of absence for

medical reasons to Harold A. Stout, custodian, through the end of the 1988-1989 school year. They also approved the extension of Mrs. Mary Yankowski's maternity leave to July 28, 1989.

Bids were approved in the amount of \$1,244 for softball equipment and \$3,715.87 for track equipment.

Ms. Candyce Fike submitted her resignation as assistant drama coach at the senior high school and Ms. Gina Bartoletti submitted her resignation as the assistant softball coach at the Middle School. Ms. Audrey Ide was named as assistant drama coach at the senior high school and Kim Fey, former Lake-Lehman softball player, was named to the position of assistant softball coach at the middle school.

Ron Musto of West Pittston was

appointed assistant baseball coach at the senior high school for the 1988-1989 school year.

Director James Richardson reported that the cafeteria is operating at a loss due to the fact that a majority of the students were not eating lunch in the cafeteria. Richardson said he was meeting with officials of the elementary, middle and senior high schools and representatives of the cafeteria to try to determine the problem. One of the steps taken by cafeteria is to distribute a questionnaire to the students to try to determine the reason why the decline in purchasing lunches.

Fred Templin, assistant superintendent in charge of curriculum reported the changes in the curriculum in the math, physics, business and health departments for the year.

Out of shape?
Overweight?
Shy?
Need motivation?

Try Us!

GREAT BEGINNINGS FITNESS CENTER

presents...

1. Women's High & low-impact Aerobics 8 a.m. - 8 p.m.
2. Men's classes - Take an aerobics class designed especially for you or use our gym.
3. Senior Citizens classes - Co-ed, call for details.

Fernbrook Plaza, Dallas (Behind Treat)

675-3650

With Coupon Only
\$10.00 Off New Member on Monthly Program
\$5.00 Off Old Members and Men on Monthly Program

WANTED TO BUY

PAYING IMMEDIATE CASH FOR . . .

- Silver Coins
- '60-'70 Halves
- War, Buffalo Nickels
- Silver Dollars
- U.S. Gold Coins
- Indian Head Pennies
- Gold & Silver Jewelry

TOM OCHMAN
Jewelry and Coins
18 Church St., Dallas (next to Rea & Derick)
PHONE 675-5872

HOURS: DAILY 10 to 5 P.M. • THURS. & FRI. EVENING 6:30 to 8:30 P.M.
MON., TUES., WED., EVENINGS BY APPOINTMENT

Washington's Birthday Sale
Feb. 21-26

Take An Additional 20% off
(Selected Items)

The Heffel House

104 E. Overbrook Rd., Shavertown, PA
675-4821

Tues., Wed., Fri., & Sat. 10:00-5:30; Thurs. 10-8; Sun. 12-4

DOMENICO'S FINE FOOD EMPORIUM

NEW YORK DELI & BAKERY

- Catering
- Gift Baskets
- Fruit Baskets
- Imported Gift Items
- Wedding & Gift Favors
- Perugina Chocolates For Valentines

498 Yatesville Road, Pittston, PA
(1/4 mile north of P.A. Senior High School)
654-9777

(This Week Only...Bring In This Ad And Receive 10% Off Purchase Limit One Per Customer)

3 Months - 9.15%
6 Months - 9.30%
9 Months - 9.45%
1 Year - 9.55%
3 Years - 9.35%

FDIC or FSLIC Insured
*Subject to availability. *No commission charged

BOB OSTROWSKI
Senior Vice President - Investments

826-6006
Prudential-Bache

CALL COLLECT

39 Public Sq. Wilkes-Barre, PA
A Subsidiary of The Prudential

Securities
Rock Solid. Market Wise.

Our FINAL CLEARANCE SALE
75% off

sally musto's
Accents
in fashion and accessories

927 Wyoming Ave., West Pittston
655-3215

MasterCard • Visa • American Express • Layaways
Daily 10-5 • Thurs. Evenings 'til 8 p.m.