

To Dedicate Pine Island Lighting Sunday

On Feb. 2 1961 a group of businessmen and farm operators met at the Jolly Union Inn to organize a civic group of some sort. Discussions were held on the type of organization to have. The advantages of such an organization for Pine Island were apparent. A committee was formed to seek out the different types of groups, that the organization should be modeled after. On this committee appointed were: Frank Roy, Temporary Chairman, Sylvester J. Krasniewicz, Temporary Secretary, Fred Wilcox, Edward Pietrzak, John Todman, Tom Kamaard, Albert Daubert, Ralph Paffenroth, Edward Gerczak. The committee meeting will be held on Monday Feb. 13, 1961 at the Jolly Union Inn at 7.30 P.M.

The next regular meeting will be held on Thursday Feb. 16, 1961 at the Pine Island Hotel at 7.30 P.M. All businessmen farm operators and farmers in the vicinity of Pine Island interested in such an organization are invited to attend this meeting.

Chamber Alerted on Jet Study

PINE ISLAND — The Pine Island Chamber of Commerce has alerted its Jetport Study Committee to the Federal Aeronautics Authority study on three sites for a Port of New York Authority jetport, due Friday.

The FAA study is for sites in Burlington County, N.J., and Orange and Suffolk Counties in New York.

The chamber's Jetport committee is comprised of Ted Sobiech, Vincent DeHosa and Sylvester Krasniewicz.

Although it was not indicated at the Monday meeting what defensive measures would be taken if Orange County is the top choice for the jetport, chamber votes in the past have opposed the jetport for the Pine Island area.

The chamber also set Sept. 1 for their harvest chicken barbecue. On Aug. 31, the chamber will be host to all visitors who wish to tour the Pine Island Black Dirt area.

Mrs. Ann Brozdowski and Mrs. Helen Youngman were named to set up a system whereby guides would be provided for cars desiring a lecture tour of the section during the harvest period.

The formal dedication of the street lighting project for the Pine Island district will take place this Sunday, April 29 at 3 p. m. The Pine Island Chamber of Commerce who sponsored the street light project will be host to the people of the light district at a program which will be held in front of the Pulaski Fire House. Guests will include representatives of Orange & Rockland Utilities, General Electric, suppliers of the new light fixtures and officials of town and county government.

Miss Diane Roy, daughter of the president, Al Roy, of the Pine Island Chamber of Commerce, will pull the switch formally putting the Light District into operation.

The public is cordially invited to the dedication, and refreshments will be served after the ceremonies. Members of the street lighting committee are: Al Roy, Sylvester J. Krasniewicz, B. R. Bierstine, Edward Gerczak, Vincent A. Krasniewicz, Don Gerlitz and Lou Poloniak.

Pine Island lights near

April 29 is the tentative date set by the Pine Island Chamber of Commerce for dedication of a chamber-sponsored lighting district. The district is in Warwick Township. Committee Chairman Sylvester Krasniewicz said at the chamber's meeting Monday night that 63 lights would be installed in Pine Island, Amity, Little Brooklyn, and Little York by April 30.

Chamber President Alfred Roy named a committee to study creating several small reservoirs in Pine Island for fire protection. The community has no public water supply or hydrants. Committee members are Ralph Paffenroth, chairman; John Filipowski, Milton Masker, Jr., Joseph Pieczonka, and John Brozdowski, Jr.

Chamber road committee chairman Louis Poloniak said he would meet with town attorney John J. Beattie, III, to discuss the town's taking over of Railroad Avenue, which runs parallel with Pulaski Highway to the rear of St. Stanislaus Church in Pine Island.

According to Poloniak, the town's zoning law requires roads dedicated to the town to be 50 feet wide. Railroad Avenue is 36 feet wide, he said. However, under a recent bill, towns may accept roads less than 50 feet if they were built more than 10 years ago and are public roads.

Pine Island Light Plan Approved

WARWICK — A public hearing on the establishment of a Pine Island street lighting district was without opposition as presented at a meeting of the Warwick Town Board at Town Hall Tuesday.

The project was proposed by the Pine Island Chamber of Commerce. Representing the chamber at the hearing were Alfred A. Roy, president; Francis Roy, Sylvester Krasniewicz and Bernard Bierstine.

Plans call for 63 mercury vapor and incandescent street lights. Sixteen of the mercury vapor type will be in Pine Island and important intersections of the district, and the remainder—incandescent—in Little York, Little Brooklyn and Amity.

According to Supervisor Martin Schmirck and the board, final negotiations between the town and Orange and Rockland Utilities, Inc., will take place within "two or three weeks," after which construction will begin. There are three sample street lights in the district now, installed last fall.

Supervisor Schmirck requested to appoint a light district committee to screen complaints and to handle resolutions involving requests for additional street lights in the future. The committee's recommendations will be forwarded to the Town Board for action.

Only one question was asked during the hearing. Mr. and Mrs. Wisner Masker Sr. asked for a description of the boundaries of a district.

Francis Roy Heads New Pine Island Chamber of Commerce

Francis A. Roy has been elected to head the newly organized Pine Island Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Roy was elected at a meeting of the organization Monday night at the Exchange Grill along with Jacob Feagles, vice president; Joseph Pieczonka, treasurer and Fred Wilcox, secretary.

Directors elected Monday, who in turn elected the officers, were Louis Poloniak, Joseph Pieczonka, Harry Etkall, Fred Wilcox, Alfred R. Roy, Vincent Kosuga, Vincent Krasniewicz, Edward Gerczak, Albert Daubert, Jacob Feagles and Benjamin Bierstine. Sylvester Krasniewicz was chosen as chairman of publicity and promotion.

The new group has 73 paid members, 62 of which attended the election meeting.

Among civic improvements under consideration are street lighting, a community dump and highway guard rails.

The board of directors will meet April 7 at 8 p. m. at the Exchange Grill with a general membership scheduled for the same time and place on April 10th. It is hoped that meetings after those dates can be held in the Pine Island Firehouse.

There will be no Story Hour this Friday at the Albert Wisner Memorial Library. No more will be held until after the spring vacation.

