

COUNCIL MINUTES
MAY 13, 2002

President Streeter called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM with the following Councilors present: Jamie Fleet, Bill Monahan, Brian Allen, John Murphy, Caroline Smith, Bob Miller and Mayor Troxell. Holly Giles and John Eline were out of town. Staff present included: Manager Sterner, Secretary Stull, Solicitor Eastman, Highway Superintendent Lawver, Code Enforcement Officer Weikert, Rec Director Weikert, and Main Street Director Trostle.

Representing the press were Beth Kanagy of the Times and Stacey Ward of the Evening Sun.

Moved Mr. Fleet, seconded Mr. Murphy to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Murphy, seconded Mr. Fleet to approve the April 8, 2002 minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Fleet, seconded Mr. Murphy to approve the Council Workshop minutes of April 15 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Monahan, seconded Mr. Fleet to approve the Special Meeting minutes of May 7 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Citizens in attendance:

Suzanne and Lester Merkey, 131 South Street, voiced her concern with the vandalism and litter in the Third Ward. She asked Council to do something about this on going problem. Mr. Streeter referred them to the Safety Committee meeting on Monday, May 20 at 3:00 PM.

Mary Patrick, 255 South Washington St., asked about the status of the Loitering Ordinance. Mr. Streeter noted that the Safety Committee has been researching this but has not been able to find an ordinance that would hold up in court.

Vicki Corbett, Sharon Michael, Marya Tipton, Heath Roney, Amy Roney, Stacey Cape, Michelle Sheely and Tony Rath are all here in support of the skatepark.

Kerryn Grey, Paul Sauers, Eric Gladhill and Eric Myers of C.S. Davidson gave a brief review of the bid tabulations for the parking garage. They recommended awarding the bid to the lowest bidder, McCoy Brothers, Inc.

Moved Mr. Fleet, seconded Mr. Monahan, to award the parking garage contract to the low bidder, McCoy Brothers, Inc. in the amount of the Base Bid plus alternates no. 3

through 8, for a total contract amount of \$1,679,050.25 and further, to authorize the president and Secretary to execute the contract documents. Motion carried unanimously.

Eric Gladhill and Paul Sauers of C. S. Davidson presented Council with a plaque in recognition of ten years of working together with the Borough.

Mr. Murphy gave a capital project report asking that Council amend the RACP Budget by transferring \$300,000 from the Wills House Project to the Parking Garage Project.

Moved Mr. Murphy, seconded Mr. Fleet to revise the RACP budget by transferring \$300,000 from Wills House to Parking Garage. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Troxell reported the next Adams County Boroughs Association meeting will be held on Monday, May 20. He also reported that Representative Stephen Maitland's office called to inform him that House Bill # 1744 has been approved. Mr. Fleet will go to Pittsburgh on Wednesday, May 29 to give testimony in support of House Bill #1744.

Mr. Streeter reported the NPS Committee did not meet. The next meeting will be held on Thursday, August 1 at 7:00 PM.

Mr. Streeter and Mayor Troxell traveled to Harrisburg on Friday, May 10 with other area representatives to discuss the proposed truck terminal in Straban Township.

Mr. Streeter reported Council met with the Gettysburg Municipal Authority recently. Mr. Fleet will investigate various options for changing GMA and report back to Council at a later date.

Mr. Fleet reported a special College Relations Committee meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 29 at 3:00 PM in Council Chambers.

Moved Mr. Monahan, seconded Mr. Murphy to appoint John Butterfield to the Civil Service Commission to replace Dr. Harrison Harbach, who recently passed away. The term will expire in May 2007. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Monahan, seconded Mr. Fleet to designate the first parking space on Buford Avenue as handicapped. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Monahan, seconded Mr. Murphy to adopt an amendment to the parking meter ordinance that will change two areas from 2-hour parking to 12-hour parking. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Murphy, seconded Mr. Fleet to approve all bills and payrolls for the month. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Murphy, seconded Mr. Allen to approve the 2001 Audit performed by Rager, Lehman & Houck. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Murphy, seconded Mr. Fleet to approve HARB consent agenda as presented for the April 17 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Smith reported the Human Relations committee recommends that Council support Manager Sterner in his leadership position with APMM (Association for Pennsylvania Municipal Management). He will chair the 2004 annual conference (to be held in Gettysburg) and then progress up the chairs to become president in 2006.

Mr. Streeter reported that ACTV requested to video Council meetings to help better inform the public of what is happening in the Borough. They hope to begin this in January.

Moved Mr. Miller, seconded Mr. Murphy to approve the CDL Drug and Alcohol Testing Program contract with PSAB. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Miller reported that Beth Weikert, Steve Toddes and himself met with Straban Township. They discussed the 14 acres Straban site that is proposed for recreation as well as made a request for additional funding for rec programs.

Mr. Allen reported there would be a skate park presentation at the Rec Board Meeting on Monday, May 20.

Solicitor Eastman presented Council with his status report for their review.

Managers report:

Equipment bids will be advertised for opening at the June meeting.

In response from a recommendation at the recent Council workshop, Mr. Sterner obtained and presented information on membership in the Gettysburg Convention and Visitors Bureau. Accordingly, moved Mr. Monahan, seconded Ms. Smith to approve membership in the Gettysburg Convention and Visitors Bureau. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Ms. Smith, seconded Mr. Murphy to accept the J.P. Harris exoneration reports for tax years 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000 and 2001. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Lawver reported that PennDOT would mill and pave Route 97 to East Middle Street. PennDOT requires that the contractor cannot work in town from July 1-9.

Moved Mr. Fleet, seconded Mr. Monahan to approve the outline for Zoning Amendments-schedule Public hearing for June 10 at 7:30 PM and to authorize Solicitor Eastman to prepare and advertise for the hearing. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Trostle reported Main Street would receive an award from the Downtown Center Conference in Indiana, Pa in early June.

Mr. Monahan congratulated Main Street on their efforts in receiving the 2 grants and the downtown street performers that recently begun on the square.

Mr. Monahan suggested that the Friends of the NPS be members of Main Street. This would allow for better coordination when seeking grants, such as the recent Save America Grant that Main Street and Friends of the National Park both applied.

Mr. Fleet suggested a proclamation/recognition at next Council meeting for Regina Roth who retired on April 30.

In response to a suggestion from Mr. Monahan, Mr. Streeter announced the next Council workshop would be held on Tuesday, June 25 at 5:30 PM at the Gettysburg Hotel.

With no further business to come before Council, moved Mr. Monahan, seconded Mr. Fleet to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Sara L. Stull
Borough Secretary