

COUNCIL MINUTES

JULY 8, 2002

President Streeter called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM with the following Councilors present: Jamie Fleet, John Eline, Holly Giles, John Murphy, Bill Monahan, Caroline Smith, Bob Miller, Brian Allen and Mayor Troxell. Staff present included: Manager Sterner, Secretary Stull, Solicitor Eastman, Chief Gantz, Parking Manager Little, Rec Director Weikert, Historic Preservation Officer Powell, Code Enforcement Officer Weikert and Highway Superintendent Lawver.

Representing the press were Beth Kanagy of the Gettysburg Times and Joseph Deinlein of the Evening Sun.

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

Moved Mr. Fleet, seconded Ms. Smith to approve the June 10 minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Citizens in attendance:

Jon Muller, 65 Steinwehr Avenue, just observing the meeting.

Moved Mr. Monahan, seconded Mr. Miller to approve the Agreement between the townships of Cumberland, Straban, Mt. Pleasant, the Borough of Gettysburg, Governor's Center for Local Government Services and Howard Dougherty (Consultant) to cooperate in a regional police study. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Streeter reported that DCED approved the \$20,000 grant towards the skate board park. He will contact Senator Terry Punt to see if he is available to present the check at the Rec Park on August 31.

Mr. Fleet offered a letter for Council approval to be sent to Jim Watson, Manager, Gettysburg Municipal Authority, expressing some of Council's concerns, particularly the increase in tapping fees. He also requested copies of their most recent audits of both the water and sewer funds for Council to review.

Mr. Eline reporting for the Community Development Committee distributed a map of the town with the Regional Economic Development District Initiative (REDDI) focus area outlined.

Mr. Eline prepared a Sister City Plan to be used in developing stronger relationships with Leon, Nicaragua. It can also be tailored to meet the needs of the St. Mere Eglise and Gettysburg, SD sister cities.

Moved Mr. Monahan, seconded Ms. Smith to approve the Sister City Plan proposal. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Streeter appointed Mr. Eline to serve on a committee/liaison for the Sister City Commission.

Mr. Eline offered to work with HARB and Council to prepare a directive for HARB for guidance and what is expected of them. He will review the Boroughs comprehensive plan and schedule a workshop in the near future.

Mr. Monahan reported the Safety Committee will discuss the draft copy of a cat ordinance at the next meeting.

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

Moved Mr. Murphy, seconded Mr. Eline to approve the HARB June 19 meeting consent agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Miller, Rec Park Liaison, reported that the skate board group will be holding a demonstration on August 31 at the Rec Park from 3-7 PM. They plan to have a raffle and other activities to promote the skate park.

Solicitor Eastman reported he and College Solicitor Dana Scadudo had prepared a lease in order to use land of the College (at the rear of the Majestic Building) for the new stair tower at the parking garage. He asked Council to authorize the execution of the lease.

Moved Mr. Monahan, seconded Mr. Eline to approve the land lease agreement with Gettysburg College for RaceHorse Alley Parking Garage expansion and further, to authorize the President and Secretary to execute the agreement. Motion carried unanimously.

Solicitor Eastman reported that he, Manager Sterner and HPO Powell met with Housing Authority officials today and have a tentative agreement on the High Street School litigation. He asked President Streeter to convene an executive session later to discuss the details.

Moved Mr. Monahan, seconded Ms. Smith to accept the tax exoneration report for tax years 1993, 1994, 1995, 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000 and 2001. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Little reported the work at the deck is progressing well. Parkers are still able to use the deck on an hourly basis until further notice.

Council convened an Executive Session, after which the President announced the purpose was to discuss the litigation of the Adams County Housing Authority.

With no further business moved Mr. Miller, seconded Mr. Murphy to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Sara L. Stull
Borough Secretary

