

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 5, 1998

Vice President Giles called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM with the following Councilors present: Jay Schmitt, Leonard Andrews, Charles Woodward, Margaret Gustafson, Richard Kreisher, John Eline, John Wiley and Mayor Troxell. Staff present included Manager Sterner, Solicitor Oyler, Chief Gantz, Preservation Officer Powell, Code Enforcement Officer Weikert, Parking Manager Little, Highway Superintendent Lawver, Rec Director Crouse and Main Street Director Trostle.

Also attending the meeting were Beth Kanagy of the Gettysburg Times, Ken VanGuilder of the Hanover Evening Sun, and Stacey Schmeidel of Gettysburg College.

Citizens attending the meeting were Mary Oyler, John Murphy Denis Sullivan, Anne Sontheimer, Chi Chi Woodward and members and leaders of Boy Scout Troop 79.

Moved Mr. Eline, seconded Mr. Schmitt to approve the public hearing minutes of December 8, 1997 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Schmitt, seconded Mr. Eline to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held December 8, 1997 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mrs. Gustafson, seconded Mr. Schmitt to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Woodward, seconded Mr. Schmitt to adjourn this session as Council prepares for its re-organization proceedings. Motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Giles presented the gavel and surrendered the chair to Mayor Troxell who determined that there was a quorum present and that all Councilors were properly sworn in. He explained the procedure to be used to elect a new President and Vice President and then asked for a nomination for President of Council.

Moved Mr. Schmitt, seconded Mr. Woodward to elect Mr. John Eline as Council President. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Andrews, seconded Mr. Schmitt to elect Ms. Holly Giles as Vice President of Council. Motion carried unanimously.

With the election of President and Vice President, Mayor Troxell relinquished the chair and gavel to the newly elected President, Mr. Eline, who proceeded with the meeting of Council.

Mr. Eline introduced and welcomed the new councilor from the Second Ward, Mr. John Wiley.

Moved Mr. Wiley, seconded Mr. Woodward to appoint Charles W. Sterner as Borough Manager-Treasurer and set bond at \$100,000, Borough to pay premium. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Woodward, seconded Mr. Schmitt, to appoint Sara L. Stull as Borough Secretary and set bond at \$100,000, Borough to pay premium. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mrs. Gustafson, seconded Ms. Giles to appoint William Little as Parking Manager and set bond at \$100,000, Borough to pay premium. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Ms. Giles, seconded Mrs. Gustafson to appoint John D. Lawver, Jr. as Highway Superintendent, Fire Marshall, and Assistant Borough Manager-Treasurer, set bond at \$100,000, Borough to pay premium. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Eline, seconded Mr. Schmitt to appoint Frederick A. Gantz as Chief of Police. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Schmitt, seconded Ms. Giles to appoint Larry Weikert as Code Enforcement Officer. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Kreisher, Seconded Mr. Andrews to appoint Andrea Crouse as Recreation Director. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Andrews, seconded Mrs. Gustafson to appoint Dr. Walter L. Powell as Grants Manager and Historic Preservation Officer. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Wiley, seconded Ms. Giles to appoint David Sanders as EMA Director. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Woodward, seconded Mr. Andrews to appoint Donald G. Oyler as Solicitor. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mrs. Gustafson, seconded Ms. Giles to appoint the firm of Rager, Lehman, Myers & Houck, CPA, as auditors for the Borough. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Ms. Giles, seconded Mr. Woodward to appoint PNC Bank as depository for all funds except Police Pension Fund and payroll account. Police Pension and payroll depository to be the Adams County National Bank. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Eline, seconded Mr. Andrews to appoint the firm of C.S. Davidson as Borough Engineer. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Schmitt, seconded Mr. Andrews to appoint Mayor William Troxell as a voting delegate to the PSAB annual conference. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Kreisher, seconded Mr. Andrews to appoint Edward G. Puhl as Chairman of the Vacany Board. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Andrews, seconded Mr. Schmitt to adopt Robert's Rules of Order for the conduct of meetings. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Wiley, seconded Mr. Schmitt to set the time and place of Council Meetings on the second Monday of each month at 7:30 PM, prevailing time, in the Municipal Building and advertise same in the Gettysburg Times. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Woodward, seconded Mr. Schmitt that all wages as provided in the 1998 Budget be adopted retroactive to January 1, 1998. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mrs. Gustafson, seconded Ms. Giles to pay all bills and payrolls. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Ms. Giles, seconded Mr. Woodward to pay certain bills including utilities, insurance, and those offering discount when due. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Kreisher, seconded Ms. Giles to appoint Denis Sullivan as Councilman from the First Ward to replace Mr. Troxell. Several Councilors voiced concern that neither of the two candidates were well known by Council, and that additional time was needed to investigate their interest and qualifications. Mr. Kreisher withdrew his motion, and Ms. Giles withdrew her second.

As Council has only 30 days to name a replacement for Mr. Troxell, the issue now will go to the Vacancy Board, which is composed of members of Council, and chaired by Edward Puhl. Moved Mr. Andrews, seconded Ms. Giles to conduct a meeting of the Vacancy Board on Monday, January 12 at 7:30 PM in Council Chambers with both candidates attending to give a brief presentation. Candidates Denis Sullivan and Theodore Streeter will be notified of the meeting.

Mayor Troxell reported that he would be attending the PSAB training in February for new Council members. He also reported that the two groups holding re-enactments are planning one joint event in July 1998.

Ms. Giles reported that the Safety Committee was advised by Polly Parone, Retail Merchants Association, of some minor problems they have experienced with their signs for holiday parking. They are looking into heavier stock paper and lamination for the next holiday season. See Safety Committee minutes for further information.

President Eline will schedule a Council workshop within the next month. He will advise of the date and time at a later date.

Moved Mr. Woodward, seconded Mrs. Gustafson to appoint Kathleen Kotula to the Recreation Board representing Cumberland Township. This term will expire in September 2002. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Woodward, seconded Mr. Schmitt to appoint Brian Smith to the Recreation Board representing Franklin Township. This term will expire in September 2002. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Woodward said he would like to continue serving on the Recreation Board but asked that another Councilor be appointed to represent Council at the Office for Aging because it conflicts with his work schedule.

Mr. Andrews announced that the January 6 Legislative Committee meeting is cancelled. He has received a letter from Senator Punt concerning the Train Station since the last meeting. Solicitor Oyler did respond to that letter.

Solicitor Oyler gave a brief description the necessary deed work which must be prepared including a quit claim deed from the Olinger family. He is working on that paper work and plans to meet the January 31 deadline set by Senator Punt.

Moved Mr. Kreisher, seconded Mr. Schmitt to approve the brick sidewalks as requested by St. James Lutheran Church at York and Stratton. The church will sue stone subbase rather than concrete, and construction will be inspected by the Borough Engineer. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Eline reported that he will be working on new committee appointments. Councilors should notify him of their preferences as soon as possible.

Manager Sterner asked for and received Council approval to advertise road building materials bids to be opened in February and awarded in March.

The Arts Council was awarded a \$1,500 grant for 1998 to be used in beautifying the Optimist Bandshell at the Rec Park.

Moved Mr. Kreisher, seconded Ms. Giles to approve the flea market dates set for May 9 and September 19, 1998. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Andrews, seconded Mrs. Gustafson to reappoint Carl Swinn to the Gettysburg Municipal Authority for another five year term. The term will expire in December 2002. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Ms. Giles, seconded Mr. Andrews to appoint Timothy Good to the Gettysburg Municipal Authority to fill the term of Allen Larson. This term will expire in December 2001. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Eline reported that he and Mayor Troxell would be attending the transportation meetings with the Chamber. The Planning Commission is reviewing the Subdivision Ordinance and will send them back to Council for review in another month or two.

Mr. Lawver reported that the final inspection for the traffic signals were approved in December except for the sidewalk markings which should be complete in March.

Dr. Powell reported that the Community Development Block Grant application is due in March. Public hearings will be scheduled. Mrs. Gustafson asked Dr. Powell to prepare a report on the prior use of CDBG funds.

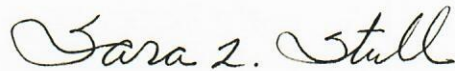
Mrs. Crouse reported that she would be attending the area township monthly meetings starting this month. The Park is receiving Christmas trees to be mulched and made available for residents. She has been working with Dave Nett at the Gettysburg School for use of their new gym. She should have a response for the March Council meeting.

Ms. Giles inquired about Mrs. Crouse attending the township meetings and what the plans are for a multi-purpose community center. Mrs. Crouse replied that she plans to attend the township meetings to introduce herself and to keep them abreast of upcoming events at the Rec Park. The community center is in very preliminary stage of planning along with other long range goals.

Chief Gantz reported that the P.A.C.T program has been going very well. They meet on the third Thursday of the month with a good response from the citizens.

With no further business moved Mr. Schmitt, seconded Mr. Woodward to adjourn the meeting at 9:25 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sara L. Stull". The signature is fluid and elegant, with the first letters of each word being capitalized and prominent.

Sara L. Stull

