

COUNCIL MEETING

APRIL 8, 1991

Vice President Ditzler called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM with all of Council present except Mr. Frazee. Also in attendance: Mayor Linn, Mr. Oyler, Chief Gantz, Mr. Sterner, Mr. Lawver, Mr. Weikert, Mr. Powell, and Linda Filer.

Moved and seconded the agenda be approved.

Moved Mr. Schmitt, seconded Mrs. Simpson to approve the March 11th minutes as submitted. Motion Carried.

Mr. Ditzler introduced John Eline, Chuck Songer's replacement, and welcomed him to Council.

Mr. Ditzler appointed Mrs. Simpson to the Main Street Board.

Mr. Stokes gave an oral resignation effective Wednesday, April 3, 1991. He will submit a written resignation before Council meets next month.

Moved Mr. Schmitt, seconded Mrs. Simpson to accept Mr. Stokes resignation with profound regret, and further congratulate him on his nomination to County Commissioner. Motion Carried.

Mr. Ditzler noted the Safety Committee met to interview the three candidates for the position of police officer, and have made a selection. Moved Mr. Ditzler, seconded Mr. Schmitt to accept Craig Staley as the new patrolman, on the usual six month probation. Motion Carried.

Citizens in Attendance:

Kelly Bieda, Gettysburg College, new student representative.

Andrea McGauley, 240 Baltimore Street, representing the Gettysburg Fire Department for Jackie Temple. She noted the campaign is going quite well as \$314,000 has been raised thus far which represents 28% of the goal. The ground breaking is scheduled for the end of April and construction to begin the end of May. Construction should take approximately 1 year and GFD plans to begin the new building summer 1992.

Jim Behm, President of Main Street Board, Tom Metz and Frank Sapp, also of Main Street thanked Council for its support in the draft of Historic Pathway. They also welcomed Jean Simpson to the main Street Board.

Mayor Linn thanked Harry Stokes for all the long hours and hard work contributed to the Borough.

Moved Mr. Eline, seconded Mrs. Simpson to approve all bills and payrolls. Motion Carried.

Mr. Lawver reported that the brush pickup will begin on April 15. Other items which will require hauling permits will be picked up beginning May 6. Permits can be purchased in the Code Enforcement Office through May 3, 1991.

Mrs. Daniels noted that a vacancy exists on the Rec Board representing Straban Township. Also she will speak to Joel Hill to see if he is interested in renewing his term with the Board of Code Enforcement Appeals. Both appointments will be made at the next Council meeting.

Mrs. Daniels reported the Health Committee reviewed the pooper-scooper ordinance and has suggested several modifications. Mr. Oyler will review the proposed ordinance prior to advertising.

Mrs. Daniels reported the Health Committee also discussed recycling. Each person has been assigned a task for gathering information. Committee is considering Borough conducting the pick-up, delivering materials to Rescue Mission, and awarding a contract for garbage pick-up.

Moved Mrs. Daniels, seconded Mrs. Simpson to adopt a Resolution supporting the retention of our local State Health Center as a full time facility. Motion Carried.

Mrs. Daniels reported that she spoke with Anne Faber about the lack of a tax assessor. Many deletions occur, with a resultant loss of tax revenue. Manager to look into the problem, with the hiring of additional assistant tax assessors, or the institution of a landlord-tenant ordinance.

Mrs. Simpson reported that the sidewalk at the corner of Springs Avenue and Howard Avenue needs immediate attention. Code Enforcement Officer to send notice.

Moved Mr. Witt, seconded Mr. Eline to adopt the Ordinance designating Barlow Street between North Stratton Street and Markley Alley as a Residential Parking Permit Street. Motion Carried.

Mr. Witt reported that the Fire Codes and Fire Prevention Code Ordinance will be reviewed and soon be ready for adoption.

Mr. Witt reported for the safety Committee that a request was made to establish a standardized parade route. Chief Gantz proposed a route from Lefever Street, to north on Baltimore Street to Lincoln Square, East on York Street to Liberty Street, and then disband on Lefever Street. This route will not replace any established routes, but will be suggested when future requests are made for new events.

Mr. Witt reported that the Safety Committee should examine the possibility of removing some of the stop signs in the Colt Park area. No decisions will be made until the public has an opportunity to make comments.

Managers Report:

- 1). After discussion with Department Heads, we have decided to eliminate oral Department reports at Council meetings. Each Department head will attend Council meetings to answer questions and report on important issues. Note that each of these persons works closely with the appropriate committees to keep Council informed.
- 2). Several months ago Council decided that should the snow season be mild, and if funds remained from the snow budget, Council would consider contributing \$1,000 to the SPCA. This can now be done.
- 3). We have received a plan for parking in front of the Hotel, Parking Committee will need to meet to act on the proposal.

- 4). Received a request from the Drug and Alcohol center for a trash receptacle on N. Stratton Street. Utility Committee should investigate.
- 5). Act 101 requires the Borough to amend its Zoning Ordinance to limit the height of structures in the State designated flight path. This area encompasses the west end of town, due to Doersom's, and must be acted on. Model ordinance prepared by PennDOT will be turned over to Planning Commission to begin the process of adoption.
- 6). Main Street Gettysburg will be applying for \$15,000 in Design Grant funds from DCA. Funds will be used to assist property owners in improving their buildings on a matching basis. Council needs to adopt a resolution to apply for the funds, on behalf of Main Street.
- 7). After study by Manager and URDC, it is recommended Council award the RIRA Lincoln Square Project to Washington and Dowling Inc., the lowest bidder, and Hull's electric. Recommend awarding the Base Bid and Alternate 2 and 3. Project should begin on or about May 1.

Moved Mr. Schmitt, seconded Mr. DeHaas to approve a \$1,000. contribution to the SPCA. Motion Carried.

Moved Mr. Schmitt, seconded Mrs. Simpson to approve the \$15,000. Design Grant application from the Department of Community Affairs for Main Street. Motion Carried.

Moved Mr. Schmitt, seconded Mrs. Simpson to award the Lincoln Square Project to Washington & Dowling. Base bid at \$132,005.90, Alternate 2 at \$12,024.09, and Alternate 3 at \$19,775.44 for a total contract price of \$163,805.43, and the electrical contract to Hull's Electric at \$9,500. Motion Carried.

Moved Mrs. Daniels, seconded Mr. Schmitt to approve the land development plan submitted by Dr. McGlauglin and Dr. Michaels for their new office located on S. Washington Street. Motion Carried.

Ms. Weaver read the correspondence from Terry Punt thanking Council for the support given regarding US Route 30.

Moved Mr. Eline, seconded Mr. Schmitt to approve the reports of the Treasurer, Chief of Police, Code Enforcement Officer and Parking Department. Motion Carried.

Moved Mrs. Daniels, seconded Mr. Schmitt to approve HARB "consent agenda". Motion Carried.

Mr. Ditzler appointed Murray Frazee, Jean Simpson and Mayor Linn as a search committee to find a replacement for Harry Stokes.

An executive meeting of Council will be held on Tuesday, April 16 at 7:00 P.M.

Moved Mr. Witt, seconded Mr. Schmitt to adjourn at 9:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Sara L. Weaver
Borough Secretary