

COUNCIL MEETING  
MARCH 9, 1992

President Simpson called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM. Council members present included: Mr. Murphy, Mr. Zellner, Ms. Giles, Mrs. Gustafson, Mr. DeHaas, Mr. Schmitt, Mr. Troxell, and Mr. Ditzler. Also in attendance: Mayor Linn, Chief Gantz, Mr. Oyler, Mr. Sterner, Mr. Lawver, Mr. Weikert, Mr. Little, Dr. Powell, Eric Persson of Main Street, Tracy Lower representing the Times and Dave Perlis representing the Evening Sun.

Moved Mr. Schmitt, seconded Mr. Troxell to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Moved Mr. Schmitt, seconded Mr. DeHaas to approve the minutes of the February meeting as presented. Motion carried.

Citizens in attendance:

1). Catherine S. Carter, 254 South Washington Street, requesting that Council consider adopting a Cat Ordinance. Mrs. Simpson referred this to the Health Committee.

2). Paul Witt, Howard Johnson Hotel; Emmett Patterson, McDonalds; and Tammy Myers, Wax Museum all of Steinwehr Avenue. Concerned that the trees that are to be planted will hide the view of their business. Mrs. Simpson requested that the Tree Committee look further into the situation.

3). Bill Walker representing Gettysburg College.

Mrs. Gustafson-Health Committee reported that the spring cleanup would begin in may.

Ms. Giles-Parking Committee reported that the retail merchants are invited to the next meeting Parking Committee to discuss public relations efforts with the parking program.

Mrs. Ditzler-Safety Committee reported that the Committee has received another request from the Library for a driveway onto Baltimore Street. Council indicated its desire that no permit be issued.

Mr. Schmitt-Property Committee reported that the new building plans are moving along productively.

Mr. Troxell-Sidewalk & Tree Committee reported that the next Tree Committee will meet on April 6 at 3:30. The Tree Commission will meet on March 20 at 4:00. Noted that the trees will be arriving in April for the Tree Restoration Program. The Highway crews are getting the holes ready on Steinwehr Avenue. The property owners would then be responsible for the weeds around the brick but the Borough will maintain the trees. Property owners who desire to purchase a tree through this program and have it planted by Borough crews may contact the Committee.

Mr. Zellner-Utility Committee and Mr. DeHaas-Highway Committee had nothing to report.

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

Moved Mr. Ditzler, seconded Mr. Zellner to amend the Ordinance establishing certain one-way streets so as to again allow two-way traffic on a portion of Racehorse Alley between Carlisle Street and North Stratton Street. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Murphy, seconded Mr. Schmitt to accept the 1991 Audit Report from Sturgill Rager & Lehman, P C. Motion carried unanimously.

Managers Report - Mr. Sterner:

Meter Enforcement person, Reyna Fallon started today.

We should consider sharing the cost of a custodian with the Fire Department as one would not be needed full time at either Department.

Property Committee will meet on Monday, March 16 at 10:30.

Happy 83rd Birthday to Mr. Ditzler on March 27.

Moved Mr. Schmitt, seconded Mr. DeHaas, to confirm Mr. Sterner as the Borough's negotiator in the current Police labor negotiations; that all statements to the press will be issued through Sterner's office; Sterner to reply to the the Associations' request to Mrs. Simpson that the Borough does not believe an unfair labor practice was committed; and that all further union contact to be through the Borough's negotiator, Sterner. Unanimously carried.

Dr. Powell reported that the Community Development Block Grant application is due in May. Council will conduct a public hearing at 7:00 P.M. on April 13 to hear comments on the application.

Dr. Powell read the Resolution presented to Council by Brent Glass on the Capital for a Day visit to the Wills House.

Mr. Lawver reported that the Highway crews are working on digging holes for the tree program.

Mr. Lawver reported that the new water line on Stratton Street should begin in a week. Also the electric lines that are scheduled for repair next week will result in closing a portion of East Middle Street. The preliminary plans for bridge work in Race Horse Alley should be received next week. Highway Committee will need to meet about the end of April.

Mr. Lawver reported that the railroad tracks would be completed after April 15. The rails have been changed making them higher than before.

Moved Mr. Zellner, seconded Mr. Schmitt to approve the subdivision submitted by Allen Flickinger's for property on West Street. Motion carried.

Moved Mr. Schmitt, seconded Mr. DeHaas, Gettysburg Hospital's water and sewer planning modules for land development for expansion be approved. Motion carried.



Eric Persson of Main Street talked about the possibilities of starting a farmers market on the square. Local farmers would have fresh vegetables, baked goods etc. to sale.

Borough Council gave a unanimous consensus for Mr. Persson to proceed with the plans for a Farmers Market.

Ms. Weaver noted that the Borough's Association meeting will be held on March 16. Anyone wishing to attend this meeting should contact the office by Friday, March 13.

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

Moved Mrs. Gustafson, seconded Mr. Schmitt to approve HARB "consent agenda". Motion carried unanimously.

With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 9:25 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

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