

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 13, 1993

President Simpson called the meeting of Council, the first to be held in the new quarters at 59 East High Street, to order at 7:30 PM with all Council persons present: Mr. Ditzler, Mrs. Rice, Mr. DeHaas, Mr. Zellner, Mr. Troxell, Mr. Schmitt, Ms. Giles, and Mrs. Gustafson. Also in attendance were Mayor Linn, Chief Gantz, Donald Oyler, solicitor, Manager Sterner, Mr. Lawver, Mr. Weikert, Mr. Little, Dr. Powell, and Ms. Filer. Representing the press: Lucy Basalla of the Gettysburg Times, and Sharon Hare of the Hanover Evening Sun.

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

Moved Mr. Schmitt, seconded Mr. Troxell to approve the minutes of August 19 as presented. Motion carried.

President Simpson opened the meeting by welcoming everyone to the first meeting in our new Council chambers. She commented that everyone involved did a wonderful job in the renovations and the process of moving. Mrs. Simpson proceeded by reading a thank you letter from the Highway Crew for the tickets to a Baltimore Orioles ball game. Council members personally purchased the tickets as a thank you to the crews for all the hard work during the snow storms.

Citizens in attendance:

Former Councilman John Murphy attended to view the first meeting of Council in the new Council Chambers at 59 East High Street.

Bill Walker representing Gettysburg College.

Sharon Kime and her mother Mrs. Jean McCrorie, 248 York Street, were present to discuss HARB'S denial of a metal replacement door.

Robert Staley, David Balinski and Mike Borocz representatives from PNC Bank, 10 York Street, presented their proposal to HARB for approval of signs.

Commissioner Harry Stokes attended to view our first Council meeting in the new Council Chambers.

Bryan Bell representing PA Rural Opportunities.

Mr. Ditzler reported that the Safety Committee recommends a new VASCAR unit for the police Department.

Moved Mr. DeHaas, seconded Mr. Troxell to authorize Chief Gantz to purchase a new VASCAR unit at \$1,495.00 plus \$130.00 for installation. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Troxell reported that the next tree commission meeting will be held on September 21 at 7:30 PM.

Mr. Schmitt reported that the Property Committee did not meet this month.

Mrs. Gustafson reported that Bicky Redman, the County solid waste coordinator will be attending the Health Committee meeting on October 4, to report on the county's plans for solid waste.

Moved Ms. Giles, seconded Mr. Schmitt to adopt an Ordinance designating all of Barlow Street as a residential parking permit street. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Zellner will be attending a Cable TV workshop on September 14 and will report at the Council meeting next month.

Moved Mrs. Rice, seconded Mr. DeHaas to approve all bills and payrolls for the month. Motion carried unanimously.

Managers report:

Mr. Sterner welcomed everyone to our new building. The Property Committee will meet on Monday to discuss some of the final work plans.

The elevator did not pass state inspection. The architect has been informed that the problem is due to the mechanical engineer's plan, as well as the installer, and that the Borough will not expend further funds to bring the equipment to code.

An interested party is considering the purchase of 34 East Middle Street. If this fails the Manager will recommend using the services of a realtor.

Council directed the Manager to indicate to the Park Service its disapproval of the proposals to limit traffic to one way on several avenues adjoining the Borough.

A petition was presented to ordain the alley at West Water Street, which was referred to the Highway Committee for study.

Dal-Tile has requested Council's approval for a railroad crossing on East Railroad Street to service their warehouse. This too was given to the Highway Committee for further study.

Wage & Salary Board will meet on Thursday, September 23 at 7:00 PM. All of Council is encouraged to attend this meeting, as it is the first step in the 1994 budget process.

Moved Mr. DeHaas, seconded Mrs. Gustafson to approve the request from Russel Potter for a cost of living increase in his retirement pension at 3.8%. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Schmitt, seconded Mr. Troxell to authorize Mr. Oyler to prepare an Ordinance to rename Kuhn Alley to Lincoln Lane. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. DeHaas, seconded Mr. Troxell to approve the recommendation of the Tree Commission to replace the trees in the Bender and AAA quadrants on Lincoln Square. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Lawver reported that the application to PennDOT for the bricking of Lincoln Square should be forthcoming. Also brush will not be picked up until November.

Mr. Little reported the car in the municipal lot will be removed this week. The owner has ignored the tickets they have received.

Moved Mr. Troxell, seconded Mr. Schmitt to approve the reallocation of \$19,000 of FY 1993 CDBG funds to be used for the purchase of the Brandon property, 230-232 South Washington Street. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Schmitt, seconded Mr. Zellner to approve the Resolution of combined home/H&CD programs application to DCA for \$630,000 in grant funds on behalf of the Adams County Housing Authority for the development of the Frederick Douglas Project at the corner of High and Franklin Streets. Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Gantz reported that the department was on America's Most Wanted TV Show last week in an effort to solve the Malinda Stull case. This national publicity brought in hundreds of tips which will all be checked out.

Ms. Filer presented a report on the summer programs for Council to review. September 11 was reading day at Hershey Park and 28 kids attended from the summer program.

Mr. Ditzler reported that the County Boroughs Association will meet on Monday, September 20. Anyone interested in attending should contact Ms. Weaver.

Moved Mr. Ditzler, seconded Mrs. Gustafson to approve the reports submitted by the Chief of Police, Code Enforcement Officer and Parking Department. The Treasurer Report will be submitted as soon as all the statements have been received from PNC Bank. Motion carried.

Moved Mrs. Gustafson, seconded Ms. Giles to approve HARB by "consent agenda" the signs including items A & C, alterations including D,E,F,G, and I, and masonry item H. YEA: Ms. Giles, Mrs. Gustafson, Mr. Troxell, Mr. Schmitt, Mr. Ditzler and Mrs. Rice. NAY: Mr. DeHaas and Mr. Zellner. Motion carried.

Council continued its discussion of the HARB report and the denial of a metal door for Jean McCrorie, 248 York Street. She feels metal would give her more security than a wooden door.

Moved Mrs. Gustafson, seconded Mr. DeHaas to approve the special meeting of HARB on August 31 of the proposal for a sign at PNC Bank. YEA: Mr. Ditzler, Mr. DeHaas, Mrs. Gustafson Ms. Giles, Mr. Zellner, Mrs. Rice, Mr. Troxell. NAY: Mr. Schmitt. Motion carried.

Moved Mrs. Gustafson, seconded Mrs. Rice to approve the special meeting of HARB on September 9 of the proposal for a new roof at the property of Alice Snyder, 217 Baltimore Street. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Troxell reported that the Boards & Commissions Committee will meet on Monday, September 20 at 6:30 PM.

Council discussed the proposal of the School Board to build a new high school west of Gettysburg along route 30. Most members indicated a desire to keep the school in the Borough, noting students would not be able to walk, and the possibility of increasing traffic in our west end, causing additional traffic problems. School officials will be invited to the Safety Committee to discuss this issue.

Mr. Zellner asked for clarification on the Alice Snyder property and why her contractor was issued a stop work order. Dr. Powell reported that he issued the order because a permit was not secured. The contractor was told at that time to cover the roof to protect the property until the proper approvals were obtained. A special meeting of HARB was scheduled on September 9 so the issue could be resolved as quickly as possible, thereby permitting Miss Snyder to continue with the needed repairs.

Mr. DeHaas suggested that the Code Enforcement Officer check the property at 524 York Street for possible property maintenance code violations.

With no further business Mr. Ditzler moved, seconded by Mr. DeHaas to adjourn the meeting at 9:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Sara L. Weaver

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Borough Secretary

RESOLUTION OF COMBINED HOME/H&CD PROGRAMS APPLICANT

Resolution of the Borough of Gettysburg authorizing the filing of an application for funds with the Department of Community Affairs, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

WHEREAS, the Borough of Gettysburg is desirous of obtaining funds from the Department in the of \$ 630,000 for housing and/or community development activities fundable under the Pennsylvania Housing and Redevelopment Assistance Law as amended (Act 477 of 1955) and/or Title II of the National Affordable Housing Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12701 through 12839) and the implementing regulations at 24 C.F.R. Part 92.

WHEREAS, the Borough of Gettysburg is desirous of obtaining funds from the Department in the amount of \$ 30,000 for prevention and elimination of blight under Section 4(c) of the Housing and Redevelopment Assistance Law as amended.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that a housing need exists that has been identified in the local or state Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy (CHAS) and the proposed housing activity address this need.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Borough of Gettysburg will assure the provision of the other necessary funds to make the activity feasible.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Borough of Gettysburg will reimburse the Commonwealth for the any expenditures found by DCA to be ineligible.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the appropriate officer of the Borough of Gettysburg is directed to execute a certificate attesting to the adoption of this Resolution and to furnish a copy of the Resolution to the Department.

(ATTEST)

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September 13, 1993

Jean E. Simpson
President of Borough Council

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Borough of Gettysburg will reimburse the Commonwealth for any expenditures found by DCA to be ineligible.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Borough of Gettysburg apply for the aforesaid funds to the Pennsylvania Department of Community Affairs and that the appropriate officer of Borough of Gettysburg is directed to execute and deliver such Application as well as a certificate attesting to the adoption of this Resolution and to furnish a copy of the Resolution to the Department.

(ATTEST)

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