

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
DECEMBER 12, 1994

President Simpson called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM with the following Councilors present: Mr. Schmitt, Mrs. Gustafson, Ms. Giles, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Troxell, Mr. Eline, Mr. Zellner, and Mr. Kreisher. Mayor Linn did not attend the meeting. Also in attendance were Donald Oyler, Solicitor, Mr. Sterner, Chief Gantz, Mrs. Showvaker, Mr. Weikert, Mr. Little, Dr. Powell, Lucy Basalla of the Gettysburg Times and Sharon Hare of the Hanover Evening Sun.

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

Moved Mr. Zellner, seconded Mr. Schmitt to approve the public hearing minutes of November 14 as presented after making a name correction. Motion carried.

Moved Mr. Schmitt, seconded Mr. Troxell to approve the meeting minutes of November 14 as presented. Motion carried.

Mr. Murphy presented his letter of resignation from Borough Council. The effective time of his resignation is at the close of tonight's Borough Council Meeting. The reason for his action is that he now resides in the Third Ward.

Citizens in attendance:

Walton Davis and Fran Drago of 146 Hanover Street, attended to lend support to council's action on the drug nuisance law.

Martin Sipkoff, 59 West Middle Street, attended with his concerns about drug use in a neighboring apartment. He has supplied council with a copy of the drug nuisance law, and asked for council's support in requiring the landlord to take action in cleaning up the property.

Murray Frazee, 30 West Broadway, is concerned with SAE Fraternity and the possibility of the College reopening this building. He believes that since SAE abandoned the building about four years ago, the its zoning designation should be R1 and not legally entitled to reopen as a Fraternity. He suggest that Mr. Weikert formally notify the owners.

Mr. Weikert informed council that he has spoken with the president of SAE Fraternity and noted that he is aware of the abandonment regulations of the building. Although they do hope to reopen the building next year they understand that a zoning variance will be required.

Jean McCrorie, Raye Passmore and Frank Herman representing the citizens rights group. Mrs. McCrorie directed a question to Mr. Oyler relative to quorum requirements for HARB meetings when the president steps down due to his professional involvement in certain applications. Mr. Oyler responded that it doesn't matter what the vote count is because HARB is making these recommendations to Council, who ultimately have the final decision. Secondly, Mrs. McCroire read a letter from James Cole concerning the vacancy on HARB and would like Council to consider Cornelius Knorr for that position.

Moved Mrs. Gustafson, seconded Mr. Troxell to approve HARB "consent agenda" for the November 28th meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mrs. Gustafson, seconded Mr. Zellner to approve the HARB "consent agenda" for the December 7th meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Gustafson asked that a letter be sent to Judy Pyle thanking her for the years she served on HARB.

Moved Mrs. Gustafson, seconded Mr. Schmitt to nominate Elizabeth Daniels to complete the unexpired term of Judy Pyle on HARB. This term will expire in August 1996. Motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Giles asked why HARB didn't recommend someone from the citizens group.

Dr. Powell noted that Cornelius Knorr, John Fowler and Liz Daniels submitted letters to HARB for consideration. HARB reviewed each name and decided Mrs. Daniels was the most qualified person. She was already knowledgeable of HARB and the Borough. Mr. Knorr opposes HARB'S position and has been very opposed to the overall goals and objectives of HARB.

Mr. Sterner noted that if these citizens do not agree with the objectives of the Historic District Ordinance, they should work to change the law. The citizens must understand that HARB is a recommending body, that council has the final determination in applications. Also, each should understand that historic preservation is a matter of economic development. We are attempting to capitalize on the history of Gettysburg, to make it more attractive to visitors, as well as improve the value of our properties.

Moved Mrs. Gustafson, seconded Mr. Schmitt to reappoint Norman Forness to serve a second term on HARB. This is a five (5) year term and will expire in August 1999. Motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Gustafson asked that Council help with a recommendation for the Realtor position on HARB. They will continue to accept applications from citizens willing to serve on HARB. These would be kept on file and reviewed as openings become available.

Moved Mr. Murphy, seconded Mrs. Gustafson to authorize Dr. Powell to apply for \$12,000 in state funding for HARB. Motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Giles - Safety Committee referred Council to the Safety Committee minutes.

Moved Ms. Giles, seconded Mrs. Gustafson to instruct Mr. Oyler to send a letter to Stanley Wolf concerning his property at 47 W. Middle Street, informing him of the drug nuisance law and that he should eliminate the drug activity at his property or Council will proceed further with this issue. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Ms. Giles, seconded Mrs. Gustafson to instruct Mr. Oyler to make changes to the BOCA Ordinance so that the administrative fees relating to building permits, sign permits, zoning, and land development subdivision be increased. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Ms. Giles, seconded Mr. Schmitt to advertise the ordinance change extending the yellow line at Hanover and Middle Streets. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Schmitt, seconded Mr. Troxell to instruct Chief Gantz to review the options of Race Horse Alley whether it should be a one or two way street and report his findings to Council. Motion carried unanimously.

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

Moved Mr. Murphy, seconded Ms. Giles to adopt the 1995 budget in the amount of \$2,574,450.00. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Murphy, seconded Mr. Schmitt to authorize the advertisement of a tax ordinance which establishes 1995 tax rates of 11.38 mills for real estate and 30 mills for the occupation. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Murphy, seconded Mr. Zellner to eliminate the police contributions to the police pension fund for the year 1994. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Murphy, seconded Mr. Zellner that Rodney Ashman receive a police pension COL increase of 2.8% effective October 1, 1994. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Murphy, seconded Mr. Schmitt that Council adopt the resolution which authorizes the incurring of tax anticipation debt. This resolution authorizes a tax anticipation note in the amount of \$250,000 from the Adams County National Bank at a rate of 4.25% and for a period of 150 days. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Kreisher - referred Council to review the minutes of the Public Works Committee.

Mr. Zellner reported that Mr. Weikert will need to follow up on sidewalk notices.

Mrs. Gustafson noted that if snow is not removed from sidewalks in certain areas Mr. Weikert should be contacted so he can take proper action.

Mr. Eline - Community Development had nothing to report.

Mr. Zellner - Human Relations had nothing to report.

Mr. Troxell - Legislative had nothing to report.

Managers report:

National Park Service has requested permission to bury electric lines along the end of Steinwehr Avenue. Three street lights will need to be revamped, and NPS has been instructed to install ornamental lighting to match the square.

1995 committee schedule will need to be advertised for the new year. If anyone should have any changes, please see that Sterner is notified.

Preliminary drawings are complete for the restrooms at the parking garage and will be presented at the next Public Works meeting.

The current PELRAS newsletter contains an informative article written by Bob Durrant on the need for change in Act 111.

Moved Mr. Schmitt, seconded Mrs. Gustafson to approve the 1994 Eichelberger-Stahle list as submitted. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Murphy, seconded Mr. Troxell to accept the exoneration report from G. H. Harris Associates. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Murphy played an audio tape from a WGET radio broadcast which was a live telephone interview with Captain Peter Smith, at sea on the USS Gettysburg. Captian Smith wished all Gettysburg a happy holiday season and thanked all for the cards and gifts sent to him and crewmembers.

With no further business Mr. Schmitt moved, seconded Mr. Murphy to adjourn the meeting at 9:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Sara L. Weaver
Borough Secretary

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE INCURRING OF TAX ANTICIPATION DEPT

BE IT RESOLVED, that Borough of Gettysburg is hereby authorized to borrow the sum of **Two Hundred Fifty Thousand (\$250,000) Dollars** from Adams County National Bank by the issuance and sale of its Tax Anticipation Note as authorized by the Act of July 12, 1972, P.L. 781, §501, as amended, 53 P.S. 6780-201, et seq. and to pledge for the payment of such note the current taxes for the 1995 fiscal year;

FURTHER RESOLVED, that such note shall bear interest at the rate of **Four and one-fourth (4.25%) percent** per annum and both principal and interest shall be paid to the holder of the Note **One Hundred Fifty (150) days** after the date thereof;

FURTHER RESOLVED, that Charles W. Sterner, as Treasurer of Borough of Gettysburg, is directed and authorized to file with the Department of Community Affairs of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, certified copies of (1) this authorizing and awarding resolution, (2) his certification as to taxes estimated to be collected during the period when the Tax Anticipation Note will be outstanding, and (3) a true copy of the accepted proposal for the purchase of the Tax Anticipation Note.

CERTIFICATE

I do hereby certify that I am the duly qualified and acting Secretary of Gettysburg Borough Council and that the foregoing Resolutions were duly adopted by the Council of the Borough of Gettysburg at its regular meeting duly advertised and held on December 12, 1994, and that the same have not been revoked, modified, amended or repealed.

Dated: December 13, 1994


Secretary

REPORT DATE 11/15/94

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EXONERATION REPORT
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* DENOTES CHANGE OF ADDRESS

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	MI	ADDRESS	CITY	ST	ZIP	EXONERATED	
							AMOUNT	REASON
Kibler	Bernard	F	* 71 MAIN STREET	GETTYSBURG	PA	17325	5.50	MOVED, NO ADDRES
Shelton	Tracy	S	51 Chambersburg Street, #4	Gettysburg	PA	17325	13.20	LOW INCOME-DPA

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Sarah L. Weaver
12/12/94

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Johnson	Devon	J	* 2806 Nestor Court	Bowie	MD	20716	17.05	OUT-OF-STATE,MD
Sanders	Adornis	D	* 3646 45th St.	Vero Beach	FL	32967	13.20	OUT-OF-STATE,FL
Swearingen	Deborah	A	* 66 NATURAL SPRINGS #32	GETTYSBURG	PA	17325	13.20	MOVED,LEFTnoADD
						COUNT	4	

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DENOTES PAYMENT RECEIVED FOR EXONERATION

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	MI	ADDRESS	CITY	ST	ZIP	AMOUNT COLLECTED
Shelton	Thelma	R	* 123 Breckenridge Street	Gettysburg	PA	17325	11.55
DISTRICT TOTAL							11.55
COUNT							1

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							AMOUNT	REASON	
Knight	Jodie		Bx 790, 88 W. York St.	Biglerville	PA	17307	5.50	LOW INCOME,UNCO	
						COUNT	1		