

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
DECEMBER 11, 1995

President Simpson called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM with the following Councilors present: Mr. Schmitt, Mr. Eline, Mrs. Gustafson, Ms. Giles, Mr. Troxell, Mr. Kreisher, Mr. Frazee and Mr. Zellner. Also in attendance were: Mayor Linn, Mr. Sterner, Chief Gantz, Solicitor Oyler, Mrs. Showvaker, Mr. Lawver, Mr. Weikert, Mr. Little, Dr. Powell, Lucy Basalla and Don Shoemaker of the Gettysburg Times, and Lisa Leoffler of the Evening Sun.

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

Moved Mr. Troxell, seconded Mrs. Gustafson to approve the Public Hearing minutes of November 13 as corrected. Motion carried.

Moved Mr. Schmitt, seconded Mr. Zellner to approve the minutes of November 13 as presented. Motion carried.

President Simpson commended Mr. Zellner and Mr. Frazee for their time served on Council and wished everyone a happy holiday.

Citizens in attendance: Bob Wright of Gettysburg Tours, Inc. presented Council with a check in the amount of \$434.75 to pay for the flag pole brackets on the square; Charles Woodward, new councilman for the Third Ward will begin his duties in January; Officers Walter Gliem and Cytha Grissom representing the Gettysburg Police Officers' Association.

Walt Gliem addressed Council concerning the 1996 Budget. The Association signed a contract for a 3% increase, afterward learning that all other non-uniformed employees will receive a 5% increase in 1996. He believes this is unfair. He asked Council to reopen the salary section of the police contract.

Mrs. Simpson responded that Council feels that everyone has been treated fairly, that in fact all employees will receive about \$1,150, on average, salary increase in 1996. Council is very pleased with the budget, and the fact that no tax increase is required. She noted that the police raise included a 50 per cent increase in longevity, and further that the police are guaranteed 3 per cent in 1997 and 1998. Non-uniformed employees do not have that kind of guarantee.

Ms. Giles noted that since the negotiations this summer, other revenue sources became available, such as the rental of the former borough building. Mr. Sterner reminded Mr. Gliem that actual dollar raises are equal, with all employees receiving, on average, about \$1,150 in 1996. Council agreed there is no reason to reopen the budget, or to re-negotiate the contract with the union.

Mr. Eline, Community Development, reported that Bob Hendricks, of Adams County Economic Development attended the meeting their committee meeting to report on the status of ACEDC.

Moved Mr. Zellner, seconded Mr. Schmitt to reappoint August Schwab to the Recreation Board for a five year term. Motion carried.

Moved Mrs. Gustafson, seconded Mr. Eline to approve the HARB "consent agenda" of the November 29 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Ms. Giles, seconded Mr. Eline to accept the proposal from Curt Grim, owner of Grim Lot at the rear of the Elks, to eliminate 10 meters in order to provide private parking for his tenants. Motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Gustafson asked the status of the SAMI study. Mr. Sterner gave a brief summary of the signals to be replaced by PennDOT, but he is not aware of a completion date.

Mrs. Gustafson asked the status of the police pension refunds. Mr. Sterner reported that inadequate funding from the state in 1995 for Police Pension purposes requires that police contribute 5 per cent to their pension, per Act 600. As this issue is in formal grievance, further discussion should not be entered at this time.

Moved Ms. Giles, seconded Mrs. Gustafson to reappoint Allen McDonnell and Craig Showvaker to the Property Maintenance Appeals Board for a two year term. Motion carried unanimously.

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

Mrs. Gustafson asked if the 1996 Budget could be reopened to discuss the police officer position which was included to replace Sistrunk. It was Council's belief that the position be included, and the budget be adopted as prepared.

Moved Mr. Schmitt, seconded Ms. Giles to adopt the 1996 budget as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Schmitt, seconded Mr. Eline to adopt the Ordinance fixing the tax rates for the fiscal year 1996 as follows: Tax rate of 11.380 mills on each dollar of real estate assessment; and 30 mills on each dollar of occupational assessment. Motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Gustafson inquired as to the type of vehicle the police intend to purchase, as reported in the Finance Committee report. Chief Gantz responded that Chevrolet no longer produces "large model" Caprice cruisers. Chevrolet does offer a small police vehicle, the Lumina, however they are not satisfactory for all around police patrols. The smaller size is difficult for the officers because of leg room, insufficient trunk space for equipment, and installation of the protective cage removes additional leg room for the officer, as well as making it very difficult to safely place prisoners in the back seat. Chief Gantz recommended the Jeep Cherokee, a compact truck type police equipped vehicle. This is also available through state contract with no effect on the 1996 budget.

Mr. Kreisher, Public Works Committee, reported that Andy Brough, of C.S. Davidson is currently preparing a proposal whereby a complete flood study would be performed on Stevens Run. Funding for this study may be sought in grant programs.



Moved Mr. Kreisher, seconded Mr. Zellner to reappoint Ralph Sorenson to the Gettysburg Municipal Authority for a five year term. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Oyler reported on the Keystone Lawsuit, indicating that a proposal for a settlement amount should soon be received.

Mr. Oyler reported that a hearing has been scheduled for the Brandon Trailer Park the week of January 23.

**Managers report:**

The Contractor is about 95% complete on 34 E. Middle Street. Magistrate Carr is scheduled to move in early January.

Moved Mrs. Gustafson, seconded Ms. Giles to approve the Eichelberger-Stahle Charity Fund list. Motion carried unanimously.

The current police labor agreement requires that a pension advisory board be established. Sterner recommends that Councilor Giles be appointed as the Borough's representative. The board will consist of a representative from management, one police representative, and a neutral party. There is no provision for the purpose of the board, and it has no authority, other than to review the police pension, and advise Council.

Moved Mr. Schmitt, seconded Mr. Zellner to appoint Ms. Giles to the Pension Advisory Board. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Frazee, seconded Mr. Schmitt to accept the G.H. Harris exoneration report for tax year 1994. Motion carried unanimously.

All department heads conveyed thanks from their employees on the pay increases scheduled for 1996.

Mrs. Showvaker thanked Council for their support and financial contribution to the Recreation department, and further thanked Mr. Zellner for his assistance to the Recreation Board.

Chief Gantz has red ribbons to be placed on vehicles in recognition of December being drunk driving month. The Tree of Life program is scheduled for Tuesday, December 12 at 6:30 PM. The procession will leave from the Borough office and go to the court house. Chief Gantz reported that KKK literature was distributed throughout town although there is not much the police department can do. He is keeping abreast of this situation.

Dr. Powell asked the Legislative Committee to review the proposal to eliminate DCA at their next meeting. Input is needed from small communities.

Dr. Powell reported that John Murphy has invited Council to a meeting on Tuesday, December 19 at 3:30 at the GAR building concerning the possibility of Adams County joining in the PA Heritage Parks Program.

Mrs. Simpson asked the status of Joe Patti property on West Middle Street. The Community Development Committee has been instructed to review this matter.

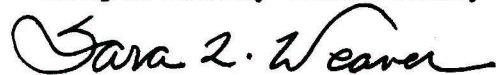
A Public Hearing has been scheduled for Thursday, December 28 at 4:00 PM to hear comments on the 1996 CDBG grant.

Mr. Zellner reported that he enjoyed his four years on Council and thanked everyone for their part in keeping Gettysburg a pleasant place to live. He noted the citizens are very fortunate to have good representation on Council, and good staff.

Mr. Frazee thanked the County Commissioners for the Library funding.

With no further business Mr. Frazee moved, seconded Mr. Schmitt to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Sara L. Weaver  
Borough Secretary

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## 1995 EICHELBERGER-STAHLE LIST

1.	Anastatia Zuban 16 Breckenridge Street	Kennie's Markets	\$25.00
2.	Elsie Funt 126 West Street	Kennie's Markets	\$25.00
3.	Edna Brady 405 Village Drive	Kennie's Markets	\$25.00
4.	Viola R. Shank 447 Village Drive	Kennie's Markets	\$25.00
5.	Mary Mauston 240 West High Street Apt. 2	Kennie's Markets	\$25.00
6.	Garnet L. McFerron 226 Lincoln Lane	Kennie's Markets	\$25.00
7.	William Breckenridge Fahnestock Building Apt. 208	Kennie's Markets	\$25.00
8.	George Washington 128 Breckenridge Street	Kennie's Markets	\$25.00
9.	James Abell 240 W. High St. Apt. 6	Kennie's Markets	\$25.00
10.	Isadore Johnson 227 West High Street	Kennie's Markets	\$25.00
11.	Helen Wilkinson 240 W. High Street, Apt. 9	Kennie's Markets	\$25.00
12.	Johnie Turner 46 Breckenridge Street	Kennie's Markets	\$25.00
13.	Pearlie Parker 141 West High Street	Kennie's Markets	\$25.00
14.	Marie Baker 31 E. Stevens Street	Kennie's Markets	\$25.00
15.	Evelyn Rudisill 208 Chambersburg St. #2	Kennie's Markets	\$25.00
16.	Maria Lapikockij 326 South Washington Street	Kennie's Markets	\$25.00
17.	Margaret Deatrick 38 West Middle Street	Kennie's Markets	\$20.16
18.	Sara Wisotzkey 136 N. Stratton Street	Kennie's Markets	\$20.17

Summary: All gift certificates for groceries

Kennie's Markets: 14 @ \$25.00 = \$400.00

1 @ \$20.16 = 20.16

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Total \$440.33

Note:

Interest earned in 1995 was \$407.33 and one gift certificate was returned in 1994 (\$33.00) for total available of \$440.33.

PNC Bank closed our Eichelberger-Stahle savings and checking accounts due to inactivity. As these accounts are only used one time each year, I simply deposited the interest earnings to the General Fund, which we will draw on to pay Kennie's Markets.

