

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

MARCH 8, 1999

President Eline called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM with the following Councilors present: Ms. Giles, Mrs. Gustafson, Mr. Woodward, Mr. Andrews, Mr. Streeter, Mr. Murphy and Mayor Troxell. Staff present included Manager Sterner, Secretary Stull, Solicitor Eastman, Chief Gantz, Preservation Officer Powell, Code Enforcement Officer Weikert, Rec Director Crouse, Parking Manager Little, and Highway Superintendent Lawver.

Also attending the meeting were Beth Kanagy of Gettysburg Times, Robert Reilly of the Evening Sun, Tim Lambert of WGET, John McAndrew representing the College and Polly Parone representing the Retail Merchants Association.

Moved Mrs. Gustafson, seconded Mr. Andrews to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Ms. Giles, seconded Mr. Andrews to approve the Public Hearing Minutes of February 8, on the proposed regulated rental unit ordinance. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Murphy, seconded Mr. Streeter to approve the February Council Minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Citizens in attendance:

Jamie Fleet, 122 East Middle Street, expressed continued support from the Hazel Alley group of the Regulated Rental Unit Ordinance.

John McAndrew introduced Patti Lawson who will also be representing the Gettysburg College at Council meetings.

Mayor Troxell reported that he continues to work with the South Central Governance Assembly. Council approved a \$200 donation to that organization in the 1999 budget.

Mr. Woodward reported that Gary Shaffer will draw plans for a new rec building. The committee continues to work on the plans and looks forward to begin the building process in the near future. Council members should attend the various township meetings along with Andrea to seek their financial support.

Moved Mr. Streeter, seconded Mrs. Gustafson to approve the FY 1999 Community Development Block Grant budget and authorize Dr. Powell to submit the application as proposed. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Streeter, seconded Mr. Andrews to adopt the Fair Housing Resolution. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Streeter, seconded Mr. Murphy to name Walt Powell as the Borough's Fair Housing Officer. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Eline reminded Council and staff of the upcoming planning session scheduled for Thursday, March 18 at 6:30 PM.

Mr. Eline reported that the Town & Gown Committee discussed the Bloomsburg trip where Borough officials learned of their rental unit ordinance. It appears our ordinance, which is modeled after the Bloomsburg ordinance, will suit our needs. Bloomsburg has eliminated most of the housing and behavior problems, and without reverting to the eviction process.

Mr. Eline thanked P.A.C.T. for inviting Council to tour the youth facility on Lincoln Square, known as "The Door". A Christian Group plays music for the youth. They have rather strict rules and regulations to follow which seem to be working.

Manager Sterner reported the Public Works committee has scheduled the spring clean up to begin on April 26. They will pick up anything except toxic waste at no charge.

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

Moved Mr. Andrews, seconded Ms. Giles to authorize the Solicitor to advertise for adoption at the April meeting the Ordinance to revise the Police Pension Document. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Andrews, seconded Mr. Streeter to authorize the Solicitor to advertise for adoption at the April meeting the ordinance to revise the Non Uniformed Pension Document. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Andrews, seconded Mr. Murphy to name Adams County National Bank Trust Office as the depository for the Non Uniformed Pension Fund. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Andrews, seconded Mr. Murphy to approve the agreement with Security Benefit amending the 457 Deferred Comp Plan. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Andrews reported the Legislative Committee met with the County Commissioners on March 2. Dick Schmoyer gave a CRIS Study report and they discussed solid waste and refuse hauling.

Mr. Andrews continued by noting that the County is working on a study for the county wide emergency services communication system and reported that Jack Gardner of the Pa State Association of Boroughs will be attending the Legislative Committee on April 6 at 4:00.

Mr. Andrews reported the trip to Harrisburg is scheduled for April 20. Council will attend meetings with Senator Punt and Representative Maitland.

Moved Ms. Giles, seconded Mr. Streeter to adopt Ordinance to remove the no parking restriction at 22-24 West Water Street. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mrs. Gustafson, seconded Mr. Woodward to approve HARB consent agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mrs. Gustafson, seconded Mr. Andrews to adopt the Sign Ordinance as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Managers report:

The Public Works Committee approved the Columbian style traffic signal base. Highway crews will install the bases in the fall.

He urged Council to follow the progress of House Bill 142 which threatens to eliminate and/or limit Amusement Taxes.

The Chamber of Commerce invited two from Council to attend the Land Use Committee Meeting on March 29 at 6:00 PM at the Gettysburg Hotel.

Notified the school about a rabid groundhog that was caught on Broadway. Everyone should be weary of strange animals.

Moved Mr. Andrews, seconded Mr. Murphy to exonerate Barbara Weikert from collecting real estate taxes on the Train Station. Motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Stull reported the Adams County Borough's Association will meet on March 15 at the Family Restaurant. The speaker will be Don Blevins with Crime Stoppers.

Mr. Weikert asked Council to review the Subdivision Ordinance and schedule a public hearing.

Solicitor Eastman advised the County should receive a copy of the ordinance for their review. A 45 day comment period is required before the public hearing. He will advertise accordingly for the April Council meeting.

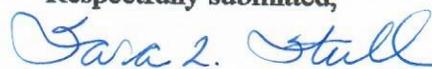
Dr. Powell reported the Train Station Steering Committee has asked for RFP's from consultants to begin the Historic Structures Report on the station building.

Dr. Powell reported a Historical Preservation Workshop will be held in Council Chambers on April 6 from 9-3.

Mrs. Crouse reported that she is currently working on a presentation for the Townships for their financial support of the new building. She hopes to begin these presentations in June. She asked for Council's support at those township meetings.

With no further business moved Mr. Andrews, seconded Mr. Streeter to adjourn the meeting at 9:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Sara L. Stull
Borough Secretary

