

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
FEBRUARY 10, 1997

President Simpson called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. with the following Councilors present: William Troxell, Margaret Gustafson, Holliday Giles, John Eline, Leonard Andrews, Jay Schmitt, Charles Woodward and Richard Kreisher. Also in attendance were Mayor Linn, Manager Sterner, Solicitor Oyler, Chief Gantz, Parking Manager Little, Highway Superintendent Lawver, Code Enforcement Officer Weikert, Historic Preservation Officer Powell, Main Street Director Persson, Rec Director Christopher, Polly Parone representing the Retail Merchants Association, Terry Burger of the Evening Sun and Mike Smith of the Gettysburg Times.

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

Moved Mr. Schmitt, seconded Mr. Troxell to approve the minutes of January 13 after correction to the second page. Motion carried.

Mrs. Simpson commented on how beautiful the new school looks. She toured the school with Dr. Mowery and was very impressed with how well everything looked.

Citizens in attendance:

Rebekah Flickinger, Area Plant & Service Supervisor for Columbia Gas, attended to update Council on upcoming projects. They plan to replace the main on Baltimore Street from the square to Breckenridge Street. This project will begin in April and be completed as quickly as possible.

Dean Plank attended to observe the Highway Bid opening.

Brian Weikert and Doug Shew observed as part of a school project to learn about municipal government.

Mayor Linn reported on the Borough's Association meeting held in January. Bob Monahan presented his plans for development along Route 30. He asked to address Council on that matter.

Mrs. Simpson will invite Bob Monahan to attend the Community Development meeting scheduled for February 24 at 4:00.

Mr. Kreisher reported the Public Works Committee has not received a response from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. Supt. Lawver is obtaining quotes for a "Bobcat" estimated to be in the \$20,000 range. Also Commissioner Stokes and Bicky Redman discussed contracting the Borough's solid waste. They will report back to the Committee in February with further information.

Mr. Eline reported the Community Development discussed the ramification of Giant Food Stores moving out of town. He and Manager Sterner met with P.K. Hoover of Kennies Markets to see what plans they may have for the future, and to offer Council's assistance.

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

Moved Mrs. Gustafson, seconded Ms. Giles, to approve HARB "consent agenda". Motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Powell gave a brief summary of the Building Design Guidelines to be developed by Richard C. Sutter and Associates of Hollidaysburg, Pennsylvania.

Moved Mrs. Gustafson, seconded Mr. Troxell to approve the contract of \$23,975 with Richard C. Sutter and Associates.

Mrs. Gustafson reported the Human Relations Committee supported the employee evaluation forms selected by the Borough Manager. This will be an annual evaluation and the Committee will work with the department heads in refining the form.

Moved Mr. Kreisher, seconded Mr. Woodward to approve the evaluation procedure of Borough employees. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Andrews asked when the evaluations would begin. He suggested some type of reward or bonus for the employees. Council will discuss this further and determine a method to recognize outstanding employees after the program is started.

Mrs. Gustafson said these evaluations should be completed by the end of March. After the program is started Council can review and discuss the evaluation process further.

Ms. Giles reporting for the Public Safety Committee noted they had received a letter from Joyce Jackson, GARMA president, acknowledging the new police foot patrols. The retail merchants were happy to have visible security around town. The committee discussed the problems with parents parking in the bus zones at Saint Francis Church when children are being picked up at school. Mr. Little said his department is patrolling more during this time to help control the problem. See Safety Committee minutes for further information.

Moved Mr. Woodward, seconded Ms. Giles to except the appointments for the Recreation Board as follows: Joseph Smith will fulfill the term of Jane Jones representing Straban Township; Dixie VanDyke will fulfill the term of Catherine Leedy representing Freedom Township. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Andrews reported Jack Gardner of PSAB attended the Legislative Committee to discuss the "Pillow" Tax. He also updated the Committee on Senate Bill 2, the tax reform legislation now on the agenda. As more information becomes available the Committee will report to Council.

Mr. Andrews discussed the letter Council received from Muriel Rice, Planning Commission, about the differences they have with the Code Enforcement Officer. Council noted its March 1996 directive to the Code Officer still stands; Mr. Weikert should carry on as he has been until the new Land Development and Zoning Ordinance is completed.

Mr. Andrews noted that the Planning Commission still has an open seat on their board. Council should report next month with any interested persons for this board.

Mr. Oyler gave Council a copy of the definition of the Land Development as is stated in the Municipal Codes.

Mr. Oyler updated Council on the Keystone Lawsuit. He noted after consultation with Manager Sterner and President Simpson, he authorized

our attorney to participate in an offer to EPA. The Borough's share under the terms of that settlement offer would be about \$3,300. Moved Mr. Troxell, seconded Mr. Eline that Council ratify the action to participate in the settlement offer. Motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Giles ask if a response should be sent to Muriel Rice, Planning Commission. Council should acknowledge, stating that they will continue as is until the new Land Development & Zoning Ordinance is completed. The process is only several months to completion. Mrs. Simpson instructed Solicitor Oyler to send a letter to the Planning Commission with this directive.

Ms. Giles asked if Phi Delta Fraternity on Lincoln Avenue has been cleaned-up. Mr. Weikert reported that he had previously attended to this problem.

Managers report:

Bid opening for Highway Material and Equipment Rental:

Asphalt Bids:

McDermitt, Inc.	BCBC	\$19.50
	ID-2	\$22.50
	ID-3	\$23.50

Bit. Paving of York, Inc.	BCBC	\$22.40
	ID-2	\$25.90
	ID-3	\$25.05

Valley Quarries	BCBC	\$19.50
	ID-2	\$23.00
	ID-3	\$22.25

Concrete:

McDermitt, Inc.	3300 PSI	\$55.00
	3750 PSI	\$58.00

Hanover Concrete	3300 PSI	\$59.50
	3750 PSI	\$61.00

Gettysburg Concrete	3300 PSI	\$59.50
	3750 PSI	\$61.00

Equipment:

Single axle	\$35.00
Tandem	\$40.00
Tri-axle	\$45.00
Tractor dump	\$45.00
Tractor low boy	\$50.00
4x4 truck	\$50.00
Paver	\$ 5.00
12 ton asp. roller	\$50.00

12 ton soil roller	\$55.00
Grader	\$60.00
Crawler 3 yd.	\$65.00
Crawler 1 3/4 yd.	\$55.00
Crawler excavator	\$70.00
Rubber tire hoe	\$55.00
Rubber tire loader	\$65.00
Stone box	\$65.00
5 ton roller	\$50.00
1 ton roller	\$35.00

The Public Works Committee will review these bids and report at next months meeting.

Manager Sterner and Superintendent Lawver will attend the SAMI Pre-Construction meeting to be held in Harrisburg on February 18.

The Borough received monetary gifts from two non-profit organizations: \$25,000 from Gettysburg College to assist with the Tiber Study and \$20,000 from the Gettysburg Hospital to purchase a police cruiser.

The Zoning Workshop with URDC is scheduled for Wednesday, February 19 at 7:00 P.M.

The Personnel Committee plan to have coffee and donuts for all employees as an appreciation of the good work. This is scheduled for Thursday, February 13 at 7:30 AM.

Moved Mrs. Gustafson, seconded Mr. Kreisher to approve the exoneration report for tax year 1995. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Weikert presented Council with an Act 537 Plan from the Gettysburg Municipal Authority. Council directed the Planning Commission to approve the plan first.

Dr. Powell informed Council that a Public Hearing will be held prior to the March and April Council meetings for the upcoming CDBG funding.

Dr. Powell attended his first meeting of the State CDBG advisory board in Harrisburg. They will continue to meet once a month.

Dr. Powell received an invitation from Mr. Philip Parker, Head of Planning and Environmental Services for the East Riding of Yorkshire Council, England. He requested leave of absence to go to England in March. He will be attending several planning and conservation committee meetings.

Moved Mr. Schmitt, seconded Mr. Kreisher to approve a leave of absence for Dr. Powell, at no cost to the Borough. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Persson announced the Main Street Board will have a strategic planning meeting in Council Chambers on March 6.

Ms. Christohper reported that Gettysburg College waived the fee for the use of the swimming pool this summer.

Mrs. Simpson reported that Catherine Cresswell, Executive Director, ACEDC will be attending the Community Development meeting on February 24 to discuss economic development issues.

With no further business moved Mr. Schmitt, seconded Mr. Troxell to adjourn the meeting at 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Sara L. Weaver".

Sara L. Weaver
Borough Secretary

