

COUNCIL MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 13, 1999

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

Representing the press were Beth Kanagy of the Gettysburg Times, Tammy Gitt of the Evening Sun and Tim Lambert with WGET radio.

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

Moved Mr. Andrews, seconded Mr. Streeter to approve the Council meeting minutes of August 9. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Andrews, seconded Mr. Woodward to approve the Special Council meeting minutes of August 18. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Eline read a letter of resignation from Councilman Wiley effective this date due to his moving out of the Borough. Council will have 30 days to find a replacement for the second ward. Eline commended Mr. Wiley for all his work with Council and wished him well.

Citizens in attendance:

Observing the meeting were: Polly Parone, GARMA, Jamie Fleet, Susan and William Mosser.

Judi Marti, Adams County Arts Council, requested a \$2,000 match for a state arts grant. The application must be filed by September 15 to be considered.

Moved Mr. Andrews, seconded Mr. Murphy to approve the \$2,000 match for the state arts grant. Motion carried unanimously.

Vickie Corbitt and Carmen Medina asked Council for permission to paint a mural on South Washington Street wall (Brandon Lot). The project date is scheduled for Thursday, October 23. All volunteers from area youth programs will be doing the painting.

Moved Mr. Kreisher, seconded Mr. Murphy to approve the South Washington Street wall project. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Troxell reported that the Adams County Boroughs Association meeting will be held on September 20.

Mr. Murphy gave a update on the Foundation proposal. The Board of Trustees will be named within the next few weeks

Mr. Murphy reporting for the Human Relations Committee said the complaint forms have been working well and all agreed the information supplied is very useful for Council. The committee continues to finalize the draft job description for a new position of administrative assistant. The committee recommends that Council approve the position as long as it will not necessitate an increase in taxes in the 2000 budget.

Dr. Powell reported on the forthcoming HARB-CLG Workshop being held in Lewisburg on September 18. Board members Shaffer, Miller, English, Daniels, Forness and Powell will attend.

Moved Mr. Woodward, seconded Mr. Streeter to approve HARB consent agenda items A through E. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Andrews, seconded Mr. Streeter to reappoint Norman Forness to another 5 year term on the HARB. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Woodward reported that the Rec Board continues to work on the new building plans and is proceeding very well.

Mrs. Crouse reported that she will be attending the upcoming township meetings requesting funding for the new building. Mr. Andrews and Mr. Woodward plan to attend these meetings to offer her support.

Moved Mr. Andrews, seconded Mr. Streeter to approve the CDBG re-allocation of \$20,000 from FY 1998 from public facilities to housing rehab. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Andrews, seconded Mr. Streeter to approve the re-allocation of \$43,341 in FY 1997 CDBG from housing rehab to public. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Streeter, seconded Mr. Andrews to approve \$19,290 from public facilities to SCCAP. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Streeter thanked the Highway crew for posting the watch children signs in a timely manner.

Moved Mr. Streeter, seconded Mr. Kreisher to adopt the 4 Resolutions and return to the Adams County Transportation Task Force. They are as follows: 1. That the 34 Adams County Municipalities work together as EQUAL partners to insure that the transportation needs of the county are conveyed to our elected and appointed political leaders; 2. That Adams County Transportation Task Force meetings be advertised and open to public attendance; 3. That the immediate focus of the Adams County Transportation Task Force be the Comprehensive Road Improvement Study (CRIS); and 4. That the Adams County Transportation Task Force, working with the 34 municipalities, formulate plans and conduct routine business as it pertains to transportation in Adams County. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Kreisher, seconded Ms. Giles to adopt an amendment to the Garbage Hauling Ordinance deleting the provision for garbage haulers license and related requirements. Motion carried unanimously.

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

Mr. Andrews reported that Mr. Eline sent letters to Congressman Goodling and Representative Santorum requesting support for the Community Development Block Grant Program. The Borough cannot afford to have this program reduced due to the many low income housing families.

Moved Ms. Giles, seconded Mr. Kreisher to adopt an Ordinance amending section 305 of the general parking regulations to remove parking along the last block of East Middle Street and Sixth Street. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Ms. Giles, seconded Mr. Andrews to adopt an Ordinance amending the Stop Sign Ordinance to provide for stop signs at the intersection of East Middle and Sixth Streets. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Kreisher reported on the fire siren issue. Ms. Giles questioned Mr. Kreisher in detail, with Mr. Weikert providing additional information. The issue will be discussed at the next Safety Committee meeting.

Managers report:

With the increased cost for garbage collection and high landfill tipping fees, Sterner and the Public Works Committee recommend endorsement of the County co-composting facility.

Moved Mr. Woodward, seconded Mr. Murphy to authorize Manager Sterner to send a letter to the County Commissioners to approve the County co-composting facility. Motion carried unanimously.

Sterner reported that Blue Cross health insurance will go up 22 percent on October 1. He is working with Hockley & O'Donnell Insurance to form a county municipal pool in an effort to lower premiums.

He very recently discovered that the county may apply for T 21 funding which could compete with the Borough's application.

Moved Mr. Andrews, seconded Mr. Woodward to accept the G.H. Harris exoneration report for tax years 1989, 1995, 1996, 1997 and 1998. Motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Powell reported that 30 WW2 aviators will be arriving in town on October 8.

Mr. Little reported that the new parking meters for Steinwehr Avenue haven't arrived yet but will be placed as soon as possible.

Mr. Eline reported that Council is waiting for the RFP for the Wills House before proceeding with purchase negotiations.

With no further business moved Mr. Murphy, seconded Mr. Kreisher to adjourn the meeting at 9:10 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Sara L. Stull". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'S' and a decorative flourish at the end.

Sara L. Stull
Borough Secretary