

**COUNCIL MINUTES  
JANUARY 3, 2000**

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

Representing the press were Beth Kanagy of the Gettysburg Times and Tammie Gitt of the Evening Sun.

The prior Council finished it business:

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

Moved Mr. Woodward, seconded Mr., Monahan to approve the special meeting minutes of December 13. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Monahan, seconded Mr. Streeter to approve the Council meeting minutes of December 13. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Woodward, seconded Ms. Giles to accept the letter of resignation from William Monahan so that he can assume the seat to which he was elected in October 1999 (Wiley). Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Woodward, seconded Mr. Streeter to adjourn this session of Council. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Eline presented the gavel to Mayor Troxell who presided over the re-organization of Council.

Mayor Troxell administered the oath of office to the newly elected 1st Ward Councilors Streeter and Fleet, 2nd Ward Giles and Monahan and 3rd Ward Murphy and Woodward.

Mayor Troxell asked for a motion to elect a president.

Ms. Giles commended Mr. Eline on his tenure as President, and offered a motion to elect him as President of Council. The motion was seconded by Mr. Fleet. YEA: Mr. Fleet, Ms. Giles, Mr. Eline and Mr. Kreisher. NAY: Mr. Monahan, Mr. Woodward, Mr. Streeter and Mr. Murphy.

The vote resulted in a tie, therefor Mayor Troxell cast the deciding vote in favor of Mr. Eline. Motion carried, Mr. Eline was declared President.

Moved Mr. Monahan, seconded Mr. Streeter to elect Ms. Giles as Vice President of Council. Motion carried unanimously.

With the election of President and Vice President, Mayor Troxell relinquished the chair and gavel to Mr. Eline, who proceeded with the re-organizational meeting of Council.

Moved Ms. Giles, seconded Mr. Kreisher to adopt the Resolution approving the various appointments. Motion carried unanimously.

On inquiry of Mr. Kreisher, the Finance Committee will investigate the need to increase the bonds on officials above the current \$100,000.

Moved Mr. Murphy, seconded Mr. Woodward to set the time and place of Council meetings on the second Monday of the month at 7:30 PM in Council Chambers, approve wages per the 2000 budget retroactive to January 1, 2000, pay current bills and payrolls, and authorize the payment of certain bills when due such as insurance and utilities in order to obtain discounts. Motion carried unanimously.

Citizens in attendance:

John and Patsy DeHaas, James Fleet Deb Fleet, William Fleet II, Heather Fleet, Leonard Fleet and William Fleet were here to see Jamie Fleet take the oath of office.

Bernadette Sterner, Allene Woodward, Patti Lawson and Tammy Myers were observing the meeting.

Moved Mr. Woodward, seconded Mr. Monahan to adopt a resolution to appoint Leonard Andrews to fill the vacant seat caused by the resignation of Mr. Monahan. This term will expire December 31, 2001. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Troxell administered the Oath of Office to Mr. Leonard Andrews.

Ms. Giles had nothing for Council action concerning the Safety Committee, each can review the minutes of the December meeting.

Mr. Monahan reporting for the Public Works Committee, indicated that the hauling contract, awarded to Waste Management, went into effect January 1, 2000.

Mr. Murphy noted Council will have a difficult year with many important projects.

Mr. Monahan expressed thanks to Ron Hankey, president of ACNB, and all involved for the great fireworks display on New Years Eve. He hopes that we consider this an annual event.

Mr. Streeter agreed that the fireworks were great but the taxpayers may not want to pay for them.

Moved Mr. Streeter, seconded Mr. Andrews to approve a community garden plot at the Dioxes/Monroe site on South Washington Street El Centro along with other



community members would plant and maintain flowers and vegetables. This agreement can be terminated at any time should the Borough move ahead with other plans for the site. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Streeter, seconded Mr. Kreisher to authorize Solicitor Eastman to prepare and advertise a public hearing on February 14 at 7:00 PM to amend the zoning ordinance and the official zoning map. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Woodward had nothing to report other than to say the fireworks were great and hopes it becomes an annual event.

**Manager's report:**

Waste Management began the new garbage contract on January 1. They are sending customers a letter with instructions and new pricing.

PSAB and PLCM will be offering newly elected officials training. Those interested in attending can report to the Secretary for the forms.

Asked that the new committees report their meeting dates and times for advertising.

Mr. Eline asked all Councilors to indicate their interest in committee assignments.

Moved Mr. Andrews, seconded Mr. Monahan to authorize road building materials bids in cooperation with neighboring townships. Mr. Sterner and Lawver will work with the neighboring townships. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Andrews, seconded Mr. Streeter to approve the GARMA sponsored flea market dates in 2000 on May 20 and September 23. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Woodward, seconded Mr. Kreisher to reappoint Allen McDonnell to the Gettysburg Municipal Authority for a five (5) year term. This term will expire in December 2004. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Andrews, seconded Mr. Streeter to accept the G. H. Harris exoneration report for tax years 1994, 1995, 1996, 1997, and 1998. Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Gantz reported there were no major problems with Y2K.

Mrs. Crouse reported she has received \$145,000 in contributions for the building fund to date.

Mr. Weikert asked for a letter of thanks from the Manager to Heidlersburg Fire Dept. for their assistance New Year's Eve.

Mr. Lawver reported that the highway crew will pick up Christmas trees through January 14.

Mr. Eline suggested a Council workshop be scheduled as soon as possible. With everyone in agreement a dinner meeting was scheduled for Thursday, January 27 at 6:00 PM. Mr. Sterner will make the arrangements.

Mr. Monahan asked if Council could get a copy of the Steering Committee report before the Council workshop.

Mr. Streeter asked the progress of the Wills House. Manager Sterner had nothing new to report other than a will soon be sent the Eisenhower Society indicating our desire to negotiate a purchase.

With no further business Moved Mr. Kreisher, seconded Mr. Woodward to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Sara L. Stull  
Borough Secretary