

**COUNCIL MEETING
MARCH 13, 2000**

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

Representing the press were Debra Brownley of the Gettysburg Times and Tammie Gitt of the Evening Sun.

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

Moved Mr. Streeter, seconded Mr. Monahan to approve the Public Hearing minutes of February 14th as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Monahan, seconded Mr. Murphy to approve the Council meeting minutes of February 14th as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Eline opened the meeting by noting he and Manager Sterner missed last months Council meeting due to their official visit to our sister city, Leon, Nicaragua. He was very pleased to have the opportunity to represent the Borough on this trip. He reported that he had presented the Mayor of Leon with posters, a key to the Borough and an aerial photo of Gettysburg. The Mayor of Leon presented us with a plaque depicting their coat of arms which will hang in our lobby. He finished by remarking that it was a wonderful and moving experience.

Mr. Eline reported the State Census Bus will be on the square, Friday, March 17th from 2-3 to promote the 2000 census.

Citizens in attendance:

Polly Parone representing the Retail Merchants Association.

Melissa Miller, 38 North Stratton Street and John Krichten, Times Square Partnership, attended to follow up on their HARB applications.

Mayor Troxell reported the Adams County Boroughs Association will meet on Monday, March 20th at the Family Restaurant. Those planning to attend should contact the Secretary.

Moved Ms. Giles, seconded Mr. Andrews to authorize the Solicitor to prepare and advertise for adoption in April an amendment to the RPP Ordinance to include the 100 block of Springs Avenue. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Streeter reported the NPS Committee has proposed that a committee be formed to include the Borough, Cumberland Township and Adams County to work with the NPS as they plan the new visitor's center. Dr. Latschar has agreed to the request.

Moved Mr. Kreisher, seconded Mr. Murphy to authorize Solicitor to prepare and advertise for adoption in April several amendments to the Solid Waste Ordinance. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Monahan reported the College Relations Committee meets bi-monthly. A meeting is scheduled for April 13th in College room 213, to inform college officials, landlords and renters of the various ordinances and requirements that must be followed.

Mr. Streeter reported that the Steering Committee will not meet in March. The next meeting is scheduled for April 19th at 2:00. The final draft is now being prepared and reports from committees should be ready. In Community Development business, he reported that committee continues to work on the Giant Food Building, Sheets Building and housing.

Moved Mr. Streeter, seconded Mr. Andrews to adopt a Resolution authorizing the Grants Manager to submit a CDBG application to the Pa. Department of Community and Economic Development in the amount of \$156,904, with the submission to include the activities and funding amounts recommended by the Community Development Committee. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Streeter, seconded Mr. Andrews to adopt and duly advertise the attached "Fair Housing Resolution" and "Fair Housing Notice" and to reappoint Dr. Walter L. Powell as Fair Housing Officer for the Borough. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Streeter, seconded Mr. Andrews to adopt the attached "Statement of Assurances" and submit as part of the FY-2000 CDBG application. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Streeter, seconded Mr. Andrews to approve the reallocation of \$40,000 in FY-1998 CDBG funds, to be moved from "Public Facilities--Recreation Park" to "Housing Rehabilitation," with \$20,000 allocated to Adams County Interfaith Housing Corporation for low-income Housing Rehabilitation, and \$20,000 allocated to the Borough to complete a housing rehab project at 119 Breckenridge Street. Motion carried unanimously.

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

Mr. Murphy reported for Finance Committee that to date we have spent \$17,000 in snow cost.

Moved Mr. Murphy, seconded Mr. Woodward to approve HARB consent agenda as recommended. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Murphy reported that Liz Daniels has submitted a letter of resignation to HARB. He hopes that she be properly recognized for her many years of service to the Borough.

Mr. Murphy reported the Human Relations Committee continues the process of hiring a administrative assistance.

Mr. Woodward reported that P.A.C.T. received an award for the National Night Out program. The next scheduled meeting is set for March 30th at the College in Gladfelter Lodge at 7:00 PM. The upcoming National Night Out event is scheduled for Tuesday, August 1st to be held at the Rec Park. He encouraged all to attend this annual event.

Mr. Andrews reported the Chamber of Commerce has scheduled a luncheon on March 24th with Senator Punt and Representative Maitland to discuss Admissions Tax reform. All are invited to attend.

Mr. Andrews reported he is planning to meet with Senator Punt to update him on the Train Station project. He also plans to set a meeting with State Treasurer Barbara Hafer after the elections to continue discussions with her. More to follow as these meetings are scheduled.

Mr. Eline reported the work to purchase the Wills House is progressing, although very slowly. He expects that to progress more quickly over the next several months.

Solicitor Eastman reported that he received a call from Walton Jones of the Eisenhower Society to scheduling a meeting with the negotiating team to begin negotiations.

Moved Mr. Murphy, seconded Mr. Andrews to recommend to Secretary of the Interior Bruce Babbitt that Mayor Troxell be re-appointed to another term as the Borough representative to the NPS Advisory Commission. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Andrews, seconded Mr. Woodward to exonerate Barbara Weikert for collection of the Borough real estate taxes on our property, the Train Station. Motion carried unanimously.

Manager's Report:

The final draft of the revised Cumberland Township Comprehensive Plan is available for review.

The US Army Corps of Engineers Steven's Run Flood Study is complete and available for inspection. This project was funded in the amount of 50 per cent by the federal government. The Corps continues on the next phase, that of surveying all drainage structures leading into Steven's Run. That information will be used in conjunction with the current study.

He thank Council for the unique opportunity to visit Leon, Nicaragua. He took many slides which will be shown to Council and other interested people on Wednesday, March 15 at 7:00 PM.

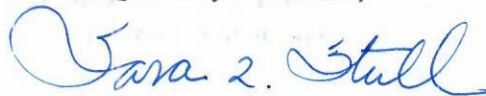
Sterner continued with a report that a visiting Nicaraguan artist will be painting murals at the middle School and High School. Council is invited to the unveiling at the High School on April 6 at 7:00 PM.

Secretary Stull reported that Shade Tree Commission Chair, Jane Scott, has invited Council to a tree planting ceremony on April 4 at 10:00 AM in front of McDonald's. The highway crew will be planting 51 trees along Steinwehr Avenue.

Mrs. Crouse thanked Council for the CDBG grant that was approved for the recreation park building project.

With no further business, moved Mr. Woodward, seconded Mr. Andrews to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Sara L. Stull
Borough Secretary