## COUNCIL MINUTES MAY 10, 2004

President Streeter called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM with the following Councilors present: Jamie Fleet, Holly Giles, John Eline, Bill Monahan, Caroline Smith, John Murphy, Bob Miller, Dick Peterson and Mayor Troxell. Staff present included Manager Sterner, Secretary Stull, Solicitor Eastman, Highway Superintendent Lawver, Planning Director Powell, Chief Garcia and Finance Director Overton.

Representing the press were Erin Negley of the *Evening Sun* and Matt Major of the *Gettysburg Times*.

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

Moved Mr. Murphy, seconded Mr. Miller to approve the April 12 minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Troxell welcomed Mayor Jerry Bown his wife Priscilla Janet Cronin and Donna Robenholt, visitors from Gettysburg, South Dakota. Mayor Bown thanked Council and Borough staff for a wonderful visit and tour of Gettysburg. He reported that they enjoyed the Sister City events held Friday evening. He presented a South Dakota flag to Borough Council for display in our building.

## Citizens in attendance:

Audrey Harman, Terra Harman, Martin Downey and Alice Fisher, representing Mel's Antiques, with concerns on the closing of the alley leading to their business. Ms. Giles noted that they had attended the Safety Committee meeting and were advised that the Borough would allow them to place temporary signs to direct customers around the block to the Stratton Street access. Mr. Sterner noted that the work should be complete in about 3 weeks The Petro Station is not owned by the Borough so we cannot give them permission to cross over the property.

Jacob Schindel, Bernadette Sterner, Bea Savage and Lynne Gutshall were here to observe the meeting.

Mayor Troxell reported the Adams County Borough's Association meeting will be held on Monday, May 17 at 6:30.

Mr. Streeter reported John McKenna will be leaving the National Park Service. He noted that Mr. McKenna provided helpful assistance to the Borough and community and will greatly missed.

Mr. Fleet reported the College Relations meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 11 at 7:00 PM.

Mr. Fleet noted the GMA Task Force continues to negotiate the management agreement with GMA. There is nothing to report at this time.

Mr. Eline reported Main Street held an orientation meeting at the Hotel and it was well attended by various committees.

Mr. Eline thanked everyone who helped with the 1<sup>st</sup> Sister City Dinner that was held at the Fire Department on May 7. It was a huge success.

Moved Ms. Giles, seconded Mr. Fleet to instruct the solicitor to prepare and advertise for adoption an ordinance adopting the state Uniform Construction Code (UCC). Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Ms. Giles, seconded Mr. Monahan to approve the "box cards" (equipment assignments for fire) prepared by the Fire Department. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Ms. Giles, seconded Mr. Miller to adopt a resolution setting the annual carriage license fee at \$350. Motion carried unanimously.

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

Moved Ms. Smith, seconded Mr. Eline to approve HARB consent agenda as presented for April 21 and May 5 meetings. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Miller, seconded Ms. Giles to instruct the solicitor to prepare and advertise for adoption an ordinance that will repeal Ordinance Chapter 1 Part 6 (B) thereby eliminating the Recreation Board. Council will plan to give this final approval at the August meeting thereby providing sufficient time to notify the Rec Board members and surrounding townships.

Moved Mr. Peterson, seconded Mr. Monahan to appoint John Butterfield to fill the open seat on the Borough Planning Commission. This term will expire in December 2008. Motion carried unanimously

Moved Mr. Monahan, seconded Ms. Smith to approve the easement agreement with Gettysburg College and authorize its execution and delivery by Theodore H. Streeter, Borough Council President and Sara L. Stull, Borough Secretary. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Fleet, seconded Mr. Eline to adopt a resolution authorizing Met Ed to seemove a street light at 45 West Railroad Street as a part of the TEA project. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Fleet, seconded Mr. Murphy to appoint Ms. Kathleen Gammell to the position of Public Works Director, conditioned on establishing residence within the Borough within one year and the successful completion of a one year probationary period. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Fleet, seconded Mr. Miller to approve the J.P. Harris exoneration report for tax years 1995, 1999, 2000, 2001 and 2002. Motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Powell reported that the housing rental study is underway. Surveys will be submitted to college students before they leave for the summer. The consultant will be meeting with the hazel Alley group and others.

Dr. Powell reported he will be meeting with Janet Linn who is donating historical items from the Train Station.

Mrs. Corson thanked Chief Garcia for transferring funds to the Rec Park to be used for the purchase of a golf cart.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Dara 2. Stull

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**Borough Secretary**