

**COUNCIL MEETING**  
**MAY 9, 2005**

President Streeter called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM with the following Councilors present. Ms. Giles, Mr. Eline, Mr. Monahan, Ms. Smith, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Miller, Mr. Peterson and Mayor Troxell. Mr. Fleet was out sick. Staff included Manager Sterner, Secretary Stull, Solicitor Eastman, Highway Superintendent Lawver, Planning Director Powell, Rec Director Corson, Parking Manager Little and Chief Garcia.

Representing the press were Matt Major of the *Gettysburg Times*, and Charles Schillinger of the *Evening Sun*.

Moved Ms. Smith, seconded Mr. Monahan to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Miller, seconded Mr. Eline to approve the minutes of April 11<sup>th</sup> as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Citizens in attendance:

SGT. Larry Runk and PFC William Orth with the Gettysburg Borough Police were here to receive an award.

Corie Matijevic, Marty Qually and Denise Doyle were here to observe the meeting.

Mayor Troxell announced the Adams County Boroughs Association meeting would be held on May 16<sup>th</sup> at the National Emergency Training Center. If anyone is interested in attending contact Sara.

Mr. Eline reported the Town Guide program would refer back to the Safety Committee for further review of the ordinance. Main Street will proceed with running a guide program this summer.

Ms. Giles noted the Town Guide Program would be on this month Safety Committee agenda.

Mr. Eline pointed out the copy of the proposed Main Street Gettysburg's vision for Gettysburg statement is ready for review.

Mr. Eline reported the REDDI Steering Committee would meet on Friday, May 13 from 9-11 in Council Chambers.

Moved Ms. Giles, seconded Mr. Monahan to appoint Mr. Ryan Eiker as a probationary police officer pending successful completion of both a medical and psychological examination. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Murphy, seconded Mr. Monahan to approve all bills and payrolls as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Murphy, seconded Mr. Peterson to ratify the merger of the Adams County Earned Income Tax Collection Agency with the York County Area Tax Bureau effective July 1, 2005. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Murphy, seconded Mr. Peterson to exonerate the Tax Collector for collection of Borough real estate taxes on the Train Station and 117 Breckenridge Street. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Murphy, seconded Mr. Peterson to enact an ordinance increasing the rate for short-term on street metered parking. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Ms. Smith, seconded Mr. Monahan to approve HARB consent agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Miller, seconded Mr. Eline to enact an ordinance vacating and closing a portion of East Lincoln Avenue to take effect on May 16, 2005. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Peterson, seconded Mr. Murphy to appoint Mr. Andrew Larson to the Gettysburg Area Industrial Development Authority (GAIDA) to fulfill the unexpired term of Frank Sapp. This term will expire in July 2009. Motion carried unanimously.

Solicitor Eastman reported he would send notices to the East Lincoln Avenue residents of vacating and closing a portion of the alley.

Moved Mr. Monahan, seconded Mr. Eline to award Railroad Street and Baltimore Street concrete bids to Hanover Concrete. Motion carried unanimously.

At this time equipment rental bids were opened.

Moved Mr. Miller, seconded Mr. Peterson to award equipment rental bid to C. E. Williams. Motion carried unanimously.

Manager Sterner announced the USS Gettysburg will be in Philadelphia and Captain Davidson has invited everyone to an evening reception on the flight deck on Thursday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>. A bus has been arranged if anyone is interested in making the trip.

Chief Garcia presented the Officer of the Month award for March to Patrolman William Orth for his involvement in a traffic stop that led to discovery of one-and-a-half pounds of cocaine in the vehicle.



Chief Garcia presented the Officer of the Month award for April to Sgt Larry Runk for his service as the department's community relations and volunteer coordinator. He has worked with PACT, gave presentations on gun safety in local schools, educational programs on DNA sample kits and fingerprinting, with some of this work done off duty and at his own expense.

Moved Mr. Murphy, seconded Mr. Miller to accept the J.P. Harris tax exoneration report. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Monahan asked the status of the comprehensive plan.

Dr. Powell reported a recommendation should be ready for the June Council meeting.

Ms. Giles asked if the Borough is hiring another Code Enforcement Officer. Mr. Sterner reported a part time Code Enforcement Officer will be starting later this month.

Mr. Monahan asked about the Housing Authority doing inspections instead of hiring more people. We are currently backlogged. Dr. Powell reported with the new Uniform Building Code it requires more time along with the Regulated Rental Unit inspections.

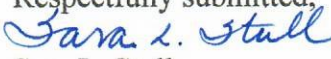
Mr. Murphy noted there is a concern over hiring and what is needed that should be addressed.

Moved Mr. Monahan, seconded Mr. Miller to review and amend the current Regulated Rental Unit Ordinance to extend the inspections to a 2 or 3 year program. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Streeter noted the letter from Mike Spangler, Chairman, Straban Township should have been directed to Council and not the Rec Director. Mr. Sterner noted this issue would be discussed at the Finance Committee meeting.

After a brief executive session, Mr. Streeter announced that the purpose of the executive session was to discuss that disposition of Borough property, specifically the transfer of the Digges-Monroe property to the Adams County Housing Authority and also to update Council on the negotiations for the possible purchase of the Getty property at 103 Carlisle Street.

With no further business, Mr. Monahan moved, seconded Mr. Miller to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
  
Sara L. Stull  
Borough Secretary

