

PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES
NOVEMBER 14, 1994

President Simpson called the meeting to order at 7:00PM with the following Councilors present: Mr. Schmitt, Mrs. Gustafson, Ms. Giles, Mr. Troxell, Mr. Eline, Mr. Zellner, and Mr. Murphy. Mr. Kreisher was not present. Also in attendance were Mayor Linn, Mr. Sterner, Dr. Powell, Lucy Basalla of the Gettysburg Times, Sharon Hare of the Hanover Evening Sun, Pat Dysart, Homeownership Coordinator at Adams County Interfaith Housing Corporation, Megan Shreve, Manager of the Wee Care Learning Center, Connie Eyler of the Adams County Housing Authority and Keira Kant, a Political Science major at Gettysburg College who is working on a school project on housing in Gettysburg.

Dr. Powell gave a brief summary on the proposed reallocation of \$78,000 in Community Development Block Grant funds "CDBG" for fiscal year 1993. He noted that these funds, originally allocated for the Frederick Douglass Townhouse Project, must be reallocated because they cannot be used with the "HOMES" funds that are providing the principal financing for the Frederick Douglass project. The Borough Council Community Development Committee has considered several requests for these funds, including funding to South Central Community Action Programs, Inc. for improvements to the Meade School Playground, funds to Adams County Interfaith Housing Corporation to provide downpayment assistance for first time homebuyers, funds to permit the Borough to undertake sidewalk curb cuts to meet ADA compliance, and funds to allow Pennsylvania Rural Opportunities to replace sidewalks and install lateral water/sewer hookups at the Frederick Douglass Townhouse Project.

There were some questions from Council concerning the nature of the request from SCCAP, Inc. to do playground improvements, and the reason for the projected cost of over \$50,000. Megan Shreve of Wee Care Learning Center noted that SCCAP would be grateful for any level of support at this time, but the most pressing need was to resurface the existing playground and install some play equipment. Dr. Powell noted that the Community Development Committee had recommended partial support at this time, and that since the 1995 CDBG Program was just a few months away, perhaps SCAAP could come back at that time to request additional funds. There was also a question about the projected cost for curb cuts throughout the Borough; Borough Manager Charles Sterner noted that the current estimate is about \$200,000.

Pat Dysart of Interfaith Housing Corporation clarified a question about the nature of the Downpayment Assistance Program proposed and thanked Borough Council for its past level of support.

With no further discussion on this matter this portion of the hearing was closed.

In the second order of duly advertised business for this hearing, Mrs. Simpson asked for comments on the proposed ordination of a 12 feet wide alley extending from East Broadway North to the Borough Boundary line to be called "Jacobs Alley". This Alley is being donated to the Borough by M. Frances Jacobs to be opened for public use.

Sterling and Sally Musselman of 32 East Broadway, who were in attendance, noted that they have no objections to the proposal of the Alley and are pleased that the name will be "Jacobs Alley". They thanked Council for giving this matter attention, and noted that their neighbors were also pleased.

With no further discussion Mr. Schmitt moved, seconded Mr. Troxell to adjourn the meeting at 7:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sara L. Weaver". The signature is written in dark ink and has a fluid, connected style.

Sara L. Weaver
Borough Secretary