

**BOROUGH OF GETTYSBURG
59 EAST HIGH STREET, GETTYSBURG, PA 17325
DUE TO COVID-19 PANDEMIC, MEETING
CONDUCTED VIA TELECOMMUNICATIONS
DEVICES THROUGH ZOOM PLATFORM
COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
AUGUST 24, 2020**

President Jacob Schindel called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM and asked the Borough Secretary Sara Stull to conduct a roll call of Council members in attendance. The following **Councilors were present:** Vice President Wesley Heyser, Mr. Christopher Berger, Ms. Patricia Lawson, Mr. John Lawver, Mrs. Judith Butterfield, and Mr. Matthew Moon. **Staff present included:** Mayor Theodore Streeter; Borough Manager Charles Gable; Borough Secretary Sara Stull; Borough Solicitor Harold Eastman, Puhl Eastman, and Thrasher; and Police Chief Robert Glenny.

Others present included: Jim Hale representing the *Gettysburg Times*; and Mark Wherley, Community Media-ACCTV filming through Zoom platform.

President Schindel said that the public comment period has become relaxed, and that Council wants to return to the policy of only Borough residents and taxpayers of the Borough to make comments. He said that he would allow others to make comments at tonight's meeting, and then going forward the comment period would only be for residents and taxpayers of the Borough.

There were no public comments.

New Business

Moved Mr. Moon, seconded Mr. Heyser made a motion pursuant to the authority provided in the Borough Code, as codified at 8 Pa. C.S. § 1190(d), for the Borough to furlough the paid employee and full-time police officer of the Gettysburg Borough Police Department who was last appointed to the Borough's police force in order to reduce the number of paid employees of the police force for reasons of economy due to the financial impact of an arbitration award. This action returns the police force from nine paid officers to 8 paid officers as adopted by the Borough Council for the 2020 Budget. This action is taken subject to the statutory reinstatement requirements of the furloughed police officer as set forth in the Borough Code at 8 Pa. C.S. § 1190(d). Motion carried unanimously 7-to-0 by roll call vote.

There were no public comments.

Moved Mr. Moon, seconded Mr. Berger, to adjourn the meeting at 6:45 PM. Motion carried unanimously 7-to-0 by roll call vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Sara L. Stull
Borough Secretary