

BOROUGH OF GETTYSBURG
59 EAST HIGH STREET, GETTYSBURG, PA 17325
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
NOVEMBER 13, 2017

President Robert Krummerich called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM with the following Councilors present: Vice President Scot Pitzer, Mr. Jacob Schindel, Mrs. Susan Naugle, Mr. Graham Weaver and Mr. Wesley Heyser. Staff present included: Mayor Theodore Streeter; Borough Manager Charles Gable; Borough Secretary Sara Stull; Solicitor Harold Eastman; Chief Joseph Dougherty; Planning Director Becky LaBarre; Finance Director Nicolette James; Public Works Director Dan Hilliard and Chad Clabaugh, Borough Engineer, C. S. Davidson, Inc.

Others present include: Deb Adamik, President, Main Street Gettysburg; Darlene Brown, Executive Director, PA Interfaith Community Programs, Inc. (PICPI), 40 East High Street; Susan Paddock, No Casino Gettysburg, 262 Baltimore Street; Chris Berger 156 Seminary Avenue; Martin Jolin, 612 Long Lane; Ron Frenette, 811 Johns Avenue; Bob DeFayette, 100 King Street; John Lawver, 524 McMillian Street; Carol Miller, 47 North Hay Street; Nancy and Kurt Kramer, 12 Wade Avenue; and Becka Fissel, Borough Parking Enforcement Officer.

Representing the press were Jim Hale with the *Gettysburg Times* and Lillian Reed of the *Evening Sun*.

President Krummerich announced an executive session of the Borough Council of the Borough of Gettysburg was conducted immediately following the adjournment of the November 6, 2017 special meeting consistent with sections 708(a)(1) and 708(a)(3) of the Sunshine Act.

President Krummerich announced an executive session of the Borough Council shall be conducted immediately prior to the adjournment of this meeting consistent with sections 708(a)(1), 708(a)(3), 708(a)(4), and 708(a)(5) of the Sunshine Act for the following reasons and purposes: (1) to discuss matters involving the employment, the appointment or termination of employment, the qualification for employment, the terms and conditions of employment, the evaluation of performance, promotion or discipline of employees, to include staffing levels and salaries of current non-union employees of the Borough; (2) to receive information relative to the possible purchase or lease of real property by the Borough; (3) to consult with its professional advisors regarding information in connection with issues on which identifiable claims or complaints have been made or are expected to be filed; and (4) to review and discuss items of Borough business which, if conducted in public, would either violate a lawful privilege or lead to the disclosure of confidential information.

Moved Mr. Pitzer, seconded Mr. Heyser to approve the November 13, 2017 agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Heyser, seconded Mr. Pitzer to approve the October 10, 2017 Council Public Hearing and Council Business Meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Heyser, seconded Mr. Pitzer to approve the October 23 and October 30, 2017 Council Work Session minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Heyser, seconded Mr. Pitzer to approve the November 6, 2017 Council Special meeting and Budget Workshop meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment:

Deb Adamik, President, Main Street Gettysburg announced that the annual Christmas Tree Lighting will be held on Friday, November 24th, and the Christmas Parade is scheduled for Saturday, December 2nd.

Susan Paddock, No Casino Gettysburg asked Council to place prohibit casinos on the December Council agenda to meet the December 31st deadline set by the state legislation.

Moved Mr. Heyser, seconded Mr. Schindel to accept the resignation of AmyBeth Hodges from the elective office of member of the Borough Council of the Borough of Gettysburg tendered in writing to the Borough Council on November 11, 2017. Motion carried unanimously.

Special Presentations:

Candidates for Boards and Commissions

Councilwoman Naugle speaking for David Rice who couldn't be present due to a scheduling conflict said that he is willing to serve on the Shade Tree Commission. She said that he is president of the Rice Fruit Company and would bring his knowledge and experience to the board.

Martin Jolin said that he is very interested in serving on the Shade Tree Commission and is grateful for the opportunity. He said that he holds a degree in landscape architecture and currently serves on the Borough's Planning Commission.

Moved Mr. Schindel, seconded Mr. Heyser to approve all bills and payrolls for the month as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Heyser, seconded Mr. Schindel to adopt a resolution appointing Smith Elliot Kearns & Company, LLC as the independent auditor of the Borough of Gettysburg during fiscal year 2018 in order to make an independent examination of

the accounting records of the Borough for fiscal year 2017 and to perform such other duties and to exercise the powers as conferred upon an independent auditor under the Borough Code. The motion passed 5/1 with Mr. Weaver the dissenting vote.

Planning Director LaBarre invited Council to the upcoming Planning for Elected Officials Workshop sponsored by the Adams County Office of Planning and Development. It is scheduled for Thursday, November 30th from 5:00 to 8:30 PM at the Adams County Agricultural & Natural Resources Center.

Moved Mr. Schindel, seconded Mrs. Naugle to accept recommendations by the Gettysburg Historical Architectural Review Board (HARB) made following its review on Wednesday October 18, 2017 and approve Certificate of Appropriateness for the following applications as presented: #COA-17-0134, 6 York Street – Gettysburg Hotel Investors (Starbucks); and COA-17-0136, 49 Steinwehr Avenue – Susan Saum-Wicklein (Regimental Quartermaster/Jeweler’s Daughter). Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Heyser, seconded Mr. Pitzer to honor the MOU with the Gettysburg Area Retail Merchants Association (GARMA), and approve their request for free holiday parking in the designated parking areas with the exclusion of exempted meters as stated in the MOU. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Works Director Hilliard announced that the leaf pick up began today. He said that leaves should be placed in alleys or along the curbs, but not in gutters or on the streets.

Borough Engineer Chad Clabaugh reported that the Gettysburg Inner Loop Project is progressing well. He said that the construction of a bicycle-pedestrian bridge over Stevens Run on the vacant Reynolds Street right-of-way, between Middle and High Streets should be completed by April. Mr. Clabaugh also reported that the Stratton Street Project work would begin in February and continue thru the end of 2018. At this time they are continuing with the coordination of utilities.

Manager Gable announced that all affected property owners would be notified and invited to a meeting on December 12th at 7:00 PM to be held in Borough Council Chambers.

President Krummerich thanked Mr. Clabaugh for doing a great job of keeping everyone informed.

Moved Mr. Heyser, seconded Mr. Schindel to appoint Jordan Klunk to the position of part-time officer of the Gettysburg Borough Police Department. Motion carried unanimously.

Manager Reports:

Manager Gable announced that the next “Coffee and Conversation” will be held on November 16 at 1:00 PM at Destination Gettysburg, 571 West Middle Street. He encouraged the public to attend and address their concerns.

Moved Mrs. Naugle, seconded Mr. Schindel to authorize entry into and to ratify a new Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Borough of Gettysburg and the Teamsters Local Union No. 776 on behalf of the Non-Uniformed employees of the Gettysburg Borough for the contract term and period of five (5) years from January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2022. Robert L. Krummerich, President of Borough Council, and Sara L. Stull, Borough Secretary, are hereby authorized to execute, attest and deliver the Collective Bargaining Agreement on behalf of the Borough of Gettysburg. The motion passed 5/1 with Mr. Weaver the dissenting vote.

Moved Mr. Heyser, seconded Mr. Schindel to authorize the Borough Secretary to give notice and cause the same to be published that the proposed budget providing an annual estimate of revenues and an annual estimate of expenditures for fiscal year 2018 has been prepared and will be made available for public inspection for a period of not less than ten (10) days prior to the completion and adoption of the budget for fiscal year 2018 by the Borough Council. The vote passed 4/2 with Mr. Weaver and Mr. Pitzer the dissenting votes.

Moved Mr. Heyser, seconded Mr. Schindel to authorize the solicitor to prepare, finalize and publish a proposed ordinance for intended enactment at the next general business meeting of the Borough Council to be held on December 11, 2017 for the purposes of fixing the real property tax rate for the Borough of Gettysburg for fiscal year 2018 at 3.9320 mills, the occupation tax rate at 30 mills and the fire protection services appropriations tax rate at .25 mills. The vote passed 4/2 with Mr. Weaver and Mr. Pitzer the dissenting votes.

Mr. Weaver and Mr. Pitzer both questioned the need to hire a full-time parking manager. Mr. Weaver also noted the Borough has higher tax rates than any other municipality in the county.

Moved Mr. Schindel, seconded Mr. Heyser to appoint David Rice to fulfill the unexpired term of Wayne Mayers to the Shade Tree Commission, which term expires in October 2020. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Pitzer, seconded Mrs. Naugle to appoint Martin Jolin to the Shade Tree Commission for a five-year term expiring in October 2022. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Schindel, seconded Mrs. Naugle to appoint Richard Ezell to the Shade Tree Commission as an alternate member for a five-year term expiring in October 2022. Motion carried unanimously.

Manager Gable announced that the next scheduled Shade Tree Commission meeting is on Tuesday, December 12th at 7:00 PM.

Liaison Reports:

Gettysburg Area Recreation Authority

Councilman Schindel reported that the Adams County Hall of Fame Sports Banquet is scheduled for Wednesday, November 15th. He said that pickle ball, a new activity is planned to begin in the spring. Mr. Schindel announced that the walking program at the Gettysburg Area High School indoor walking track is held on Monday and Wednesday from 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM. He noted that the south end of the park has been closed for the winter months.

Gettysburg Municipal Authority

Councilwoman Naugle reported the quarterly finances were reviewed and found to be on target for GMA. Rebuilding of a pump at the Water Plant will cost approximately \$51,000 and a new pump well # 3 about \$31,000. A committee is working on the final draft of the Source Water Protection Plan which Susan will share with Council upon release. GMA is currently re-lining water mains on Stratton Street in preparation for the Borough's Stratton Street project. Supervisor Don Martin recently retired after 24 years of service.

Adams County Transportation Planning Organization

Councilwoman Naugle reported that the Adams County Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan Public Survey is still available on the County Planning website. Susan encouraged council members and interested citizens to complete the survey. Penn Dot is scheduling "Connects" sessions for municipalities. No date set for one for the Borough. The ACTPO board establishes priorities for three major projects since there is not sufficient funds available this year to do all of them. First priority is the Eisenhower Avenue extension since most of the preliminary work has been completed. Second, is the 15/30 interchange. Third is the York Springs interchange redesign since little preliminary work is done. County Planning indicated they are taking a look at the need for the 15/30 interchange since conditions have changed and the need may not be as critical as originally determined. Priorities could change. Finally, ACTPO received a report on Congestion prepared by the York County Planning Commission. It was completed using TomTom GPS data over a three year period. Susan will provide the report to Council members.

Main Street Gettysburg

Deb Adamik, President, Main Street Gettysburg thanked Chad Clabaugh for all his work with the Baltimore Street Project. She announced that the 109 engraved bricks were installed on November 10th. Mrs. Adamik reported that the committee is finalizing the Christmas Events scheduled for Saturday, December 2nd. Mrs. Adamik invited Council to

attend the Steinwehr Avenue BID Annual Meeting on December 14th to be held at the Reliance Mines.

Elm Street

Darlene Brown reported that they are working on the upcoming Remembrance Day Parade scheduled for Saturday, November 18th.

Elected Official's Comments:

Council Pitzer reported that Senate Bill 800 regarding electronic recycling is still being discussed. He also reported that Senate Bill 251 legalizing radar by municipality police was on the senate floor today. He noted that Pennsylvania is the only state that doesn't allow radar use for municipal police.

Public Comments:

There were no public comments at this time.

President Krummerich adjourned the meeting to an executive session at 8:10 PM. President Krummerich reconvened the Council meeting at 8:35 PM.

Moved Mr. Heyser, seconded Mr. Pitzer to remove Michael Carricato from employment as a police officer of the Borough of Gettysburg and to terminate his employment with the Borough effective immediately upon provision of notice of this action to Mr. Carricato pursuant to the requirements of the Borough Code and the Rules and Regulations for the Civil Service Commission of the Borough of Gettysburg. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved Mr. Pitzer, seconded Mr. Schindel to adjourn the meeting at 8:36 PM. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Sara L. Stull
Borough Secretary