

BOROUGH OF GETTYSBURG
59 EAST HIGH STREET, GETTYSBURG, PA 17325
COUNCIL WORK SESSION MINUTES
NOVEMBER 27, 2017

President Robert Krummerich called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM with the following Councilors present: Mrs. Susan Naugle, Mr. Graham Weaver, Mr. Jacob Schindel and Mr. Wesley Heyser. Vice President Scot Pitzer was absent. Staff present included: Mayor Theodore Streeter; Manager Charles Gable; Borough Secretary Sara Stull and Planning Director Becky LaBarre.

Others present include: Lee Zimmerman, Waste Connections, Chambersburg, PA; Patricia Lawson, 515 Carlisle Street; Chris Berger 156 Seminary Avenue; Charles Strauss, 38 West Middle Street; Sarah Kipp, 126 Baltimore Street; Susan Paddock, No Casino, 262 Baltimore Street; John Lawver, 524 McMillan Street; David Rice, 145 West Broadway; Harry Stokes, 22 Mummasburg Street; Judi McGee, 256 Baltimore Street; Mike Shestok, 264 Baltimore Street; Charles Emmons, 126 East Middle Street; Paul Kellett, 46 Middle Creek Road, Fairfield PA; Charles Teague, 125 East Middle Street; Gary Urbanas, 337 Baltimore Street; Carolyn George, 262 Baltimore Street; George Muschamp, 149 Carlisle Street; Sandra Mackie, 335 Ridge Avenue; Don and Joan Maclean, 40 SW Confederate Avenue; Geneva Murphy, 10 Circle Drive; Wade Leedy, 105 Steinwehr Avenue; Nancy and Kurt Kramer, 12 Wade Avenue; Kim and Jane Patrono, 98 East Broadway; Shari Brandt, 241 South Washington Street; Megan Weikel, 143 Springs Avenue; Jane English, 68 West High Street; Carol Miller, 47 North Hay Street; Becka Fissel, 264 South Washington Street; Ed and Estelle Cherry, 140 Carlisle Street; Janet Powers, 135 South Howard Avenue; Madeline Yates, 244 Chambersburg Street; Joseph Breighner, 2442 Fairfield Road and Chad Collie, 226 Railroad Lane, Orrtanna, PA. Representing the press were Jim Hale of the *Gettysburg Times* and Lillian Reed of the *Evening Sun*.

President Robert Krummerich announced an executive session of the Borough Council was conducted immediately prior to the adjournment of November 13, 2017 Council business 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.

Public Comments:

Mike Shestok, 264 Baltimore Street, addressed Council regarding the 2018 Budget and asked them to review the Non-Profit Organizations appropriations before finalizing it. He pointed out the good article in the *Gettysburg Times* about Main Street Gettysburg and the many services that they provide to the Borough.

Shari Brandt, 241 South Washington Street, addressed Council regarding parking tickets that she received for parking in front of her garage on Washington Street. It's a non-marked parking space so no one is allowed to park there. She asked Council for permission to park in front of her garage. Mayor Streeter and Manager Gable had spoken with her and explained that if parking were changed to allow parking in specific areas then anyone could park at the space. The Residential Parking Permit Program (RPP) also doesn't guarantee parking for the residents on the street.

Susan Paddock, Chair of No Casino, addressed Council regarding the casino. She stated that "by not opting out to prevent a Category 4 Casino may represent a failure of your responsibility as a trustee to protect our historic resources as set forth in the PA Constitution". She said that by opting out would allow more time to study the issue.

Many of the audience members also asked that Council choose the opt-out option contained in the state legislation that was signed into law on October 30th. This will leave it open for future Councils to decide what to do.

Council members were in favor of the opt-out option and agreed to place the item on the December Council agenda.

Old Business:

PBS 2017-1 LERTA

Manager Gable reported that the GMS Consultants have been meeting with the stakeholders, and said that they continue to work on the abatement schedule. He said that the LERTA Ordinance will not be ready for a vote before the New Year.

PBS 2017-2 ROR Rezoning Amendments

Manager Gable said that Council needs to provide the Planning Commission with the timeline and what the preferences are.

Charles Strauss noted that the Planning Commission met on November 20th for approximately 3 hours to review over 75 pages regarding the ordinance. He suggested that Council and the Planning Commission both review simultaneously.

PBS 2017-3 Parking Revisions

Manager Gable reported that this also continues to be reviewed by the Planning Commission.

PBS 2017-4 Sign Ordinance Revisions

Councilwoman Naugle and Councilman Heyser said that there is nothing new to report at this time.

New Business:

Open Waste Hauler Bids

Manager Gable reported that there were two waste hauler contract bids received. Manager Gable and Secretary Stull opened the bids from Advanced Disposal and Waste Connections. Manager Gable will review documents and place on December Council agenda to award the contract.

Appointment to Council

President Krummerich announced that the deadline to submit a Council application to fill the unexpired term of AmyBeth Hodges, is by midnight on Monday, December 4th.

President Krummerich announced that the December Council Workshop Session is cancelled.

Public Comments:

Charles Strauss, 38 West Middle Street, suggested a ranked preferential voting for the new Council member. He said that each candidate should be given an opportunity.

President Krummerich adjourned the meeting at 8:35 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Sara L. Stull