BOROUGH OF GETTYSBURG 59 EAST HIGH STREET, GETTYSBURG, PA 17325 COUNCIL WORK SESSION MINUTES NOVEMBER 28, 2016

President Robert Krummerich called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM with the following Councilors present: Vice President Scot Pitzer, Mrs. Susan Naugle, Mr. Graham Weaver, Mr. Jacob Schindel, and Mrs. AmyBeth Hodges. Mr. Wesley Heyser was present by telecommunications. Staff present included: Mayor Theodore Streeter, Manager Charles Gable, Borough Secretary Sara Stull, Chief Joe Dougherty, Finance Director Nicolette James, Planning Director Becky LaBarre and Parking Supervisor Karen Mesher.

Others present include: Daniel Konstalid, Gettysburg College Vice President for Finance & Administration; Chris Delaney, Gettysburg College Associate Vice President for Finance & Associate Treasurer; Timothy J. Horstmann, Esquire, McNees Wallace & Nurick LLC., Gettysburg College Bond Council; Deb Adamik, President, Main Street Gettysburg; Darlene Brown, Executive Director, PA Interfaith Community Programs, Inc. (PICPI), 40 East High Street; Mike Shestok, 264 Baltimore Street; Steve Hemler, 535 York Street; Stan Clark, 915 Fairview Avenue; Philip Goble, 132 East Middle Street; Bob Defayette, 100 King Street. Representing the press were Jim Hale of the *Gettysburg Times* and Lillian Reed of the *Evening Sun*.

Public Comment:

Philip Goble, 132 East Middle Street, applauded Council for not having a tax increase in the 2017 Budget. He expressed his concerns with the delinquent properties and said that better procedures should be followed in collecting taxes.

Mike Shestok, 264 Baltimore Street, said that he addressed Council before about the importance of doing a ride-a-long with the police to see what they do. He also expressed his concerns about the importance of the County Joint Comprehensive Plan, and said that he only sees Councilwoman Naugle attending those meetings. Mr. Shestok said that he is disappointed that Council wants to eliminate some Non-Profits, and also take away \$500.00 from the amount appropriated to Main Street Gettysburg. He asked who would prepare grants and provide the services that Main Street offers.

Steve Hemler, 535 York Street, asked Council to hold a special meeting so that citizens can address Council with their budget questions and concerns. Council members agreed to conduct a special work session meeting on Monday, December 5th at 7:00 PM.

Special Presentation:

Gettysburg College/Gettysburg Municipal Authority Bond Issuance – Setting of TEFRA Hearing

Gettysburg College representatives addressed Council in regards to a bond issuance. Daniel Konstalid, College Vice President for Finance & Administration, explained that they are in the process of arranging financing through the Gettysburg Municipal Authority (GMA) for reconstruction of the east end of the College Union Building to expand a dining area and multi-purpose space on the first floor and to replace a defunct swimming pool with offices. They would also refinance the 2010 bonds that were used to build their recreation center. The GMA Board voted to act as the legal agent so that the College can secure low interest municipal bonds. Mr. Konstalid said that Council would need to support GMS's action and conduct a TEFRA Hearing. He noted that the Borough or GMA would incur no liability.

President Krummerich asked why they went to the Gettysburg Municipal Authority for this. Mr. Konstalid responded that the County wants to reserve its capacity for future use, so they could not issue bonds to the College at this time.

Chris Delaney, Gettysburg College Associate Vice President for Finance & Associate Treasurer said that GMA would receive \$30,000.00 initially and \$5,000.00 annually through the life of the bonds. The Borough would not receive anything.

After some discussion Mayor Streeter and members of Council said that the deal only benefits GMA and nothing for the Borough. Mayor Streeter suggested they restore properties to the tax rolls or allow the police officers to use the campus gym facility at no charge.

2017 Fee Schedule

Manager Gable presented Council with the 2017 fee schedule. He explained the few changes on the schedule, and said that there will be a restructuring of permits such as for sidewalks and property improvements. Manager Gable said that if Council approves the fee resolution it would be prepared for the upcoming Council meeting.

President Krummerich adjourned the meeting for an executive session at 8:10 PM. The meeting reconvened and adjourned at 9:25 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Sara L. Stull Borough Secretary