

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

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, Mr. Wesley Heyser and Mrs. AmyBeth Hodges. Staff present included: Mayor Theodore Streeter, Solicitor Harold Eastman; Manager Charles Gable, Borough Secretary Sara Stull, Chief Joseph Dougherty; Planning Director Becky LaBarre; Parking Manager Karen Mesher; 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; Martin Jolin, Member Gettysburg Planning Commission; Carly Marshall, Adams County Office of Planning and Development; Marty Qually, Board Member Adams County Farmers Market Association (ACFMA), 107 East Broadway, Kathy Glahn, ACFMA; Kay Hollabaugh, Gettysburg Farmers Market (GFM), 545 Carlisle Road, Biglerville; Hal Mack, GFM; Kathy Gaskin, Healthy Adams County Mike Shestok, 264 Baltimore Street; Sarah Kipp, 126 Baltimore Street; Steve Hemler, 535 York Street; Stan Clark, 915 Fairview Avenue; Charles Strauss, 38 West Middle Street; Judi McGee, 256 Baltimore Street; Sharon Monahan, 114 West Broadway; Caroline Smith, 34 East Lincoln Avenue; Carol Miller, 47 North Hay Street; Linda Atiyeh, Gallery 30, York Street; Chad-Alan Carr, 49 York Street; Harry Hartman, Publisher, The *Gettysburg Times*; and Brian Hodges, 137 Ridge Avenue. Representing the press were Jim Hale of the *Gettysburg Times* and Lillian Reed of the *Evening Sun*.

President Krummerich announced that an executive session of the Borough Council was conducted immediately prior to the adjournment of the February 13, 2017 Borough Council meeting consistent with sections 708(a)(2), 708(a)(3), 708(a)(4) and 708(a)(5) of the Sunshine Act.

President Krummerich announced that an executive session of the Borough Council shall be conducted immediately following the adjournment of this work session 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 terms and conditions of employment and the evaluation of performance of current or former Borough employees; (2) to discuss the purchase or lease of real property by the Borough; (3) to consult with the Mayor regarding the claim of Gene Golden and Gettysburg Signs relative to alleged police vehicle design copyright infringement; (4) to consult with the Borough Manager and the solicitor regarding information in connection with litigation filed in the United States District Court for the Middle District of Pennsylvania to Docket No. 17-cv-277 captioned Brandi Courtesis v. Borough of Gettysburg, et al; (5) to consult with the solicitor relative to the Petition for Review pending in the Court of Common Pleas of Adams County, Pennsylvania, Docket No.

2016-SU-1205; (6) to consult with the solicitor regarding information in connection with litigation filed in the United States District Court for the Middle District of Pennsylvania to Docket No. 17-cv-129 captioned Derek J. Twyman v. Christopher B. Folster, et al; and (7) to review and discuss Borough business which, if conducted in public, would violate a lawful privilege or could lead to the disclosure of information or matters of confidentiality protected by law.

#### **Public Comment:**

**Marty Qually, Board Member ACFMA, 107 East Broadway**, said that the ACFMA would like to set up on the square Saturday mornings, and are willing to purchase spaces that are not utilized by the GFM. He asked that a decision be made as to how many meters are available for the ACFMA to purchase for the farmers market vendors.

**Hal Mack, Treasurer GFM** said that they submitted their check for \$2,300 to the Borough today to reserve all 23 usable spaces around the square until noon on Saturday's throughout the farmer's market season.

#### **Old Business:**

##### **Enforcement of Sign Ordinance**

Planning Director LaBarre, presented Council with a memo regarding the prohibition of Internally Illuminated and Moving Signs in the Historic District (See attached). She said that staff needs guidance on how to enforce the sign ordinance

Mike Shestok, said that the Sign Ordinance should be one of the top three priorities for Council.

Steve Hemler, expressed his concern that Council even get involved in this matter, and stated that the Code Enforcement Officer should be handling these cases. Mr. Hemler stated that the ordinances are laws that citizens must comply with, and if not then the case should be sent with the magistrate's office.

#### **New Business:**

##### **Garden Club Funding Options – Future Years**

Manager Gable said that if the community wants to continue with the flower beautification program then we need to see how to fund it.

Darlene Brown said that Monica Oss requested more flowers throughout town and said that she would also help the Chamber of Commerce solicit for funds. She reported that approximately \$11,000 was donated to-date and that the watering program would continue for 2017 by PICPI.

## **Sign Ordinance**

Councilman Pitzer said that updating the Sign ordinance should be a priority and suggested a joint workshop with the HARB and Planning Commission Boards to gather input from them.

Councilman Heyser said that Council should set priorities as to what changes need to be made such as LERTA, zoning etc. Chad Clabaugh noted that the Subdivision and land Development ordinance (SALDO) was reviewed approximately five-years ago, but the Sidewalk Ordinance is outdated and should be updated.

## **Farmer's Market**

Councilwoman Hodges asked that this item be placed on the agenda to hear comments from the farmer's market representatives.

Kathy Glahn, ACFM Board Member said that the organization has an annual budget of \$40,000 to \$50,000. She said that the market has been at the Outlet Shoppes for the past few years, but would like to move it to downtown Gettysburg.

Marty Qually, ACFM Board Member said that both markets would complement each other, and that the goal would be to have them in the same area. He said that if the GFM uses all the parking spaces on the square that they would be willing to utilize other open areas of the square and park elsewhere.

Darlene Brown said that she supports the ACFM because the group accepts payment through the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), while the GFM doesn't.

Kay Hollabaugh, GFM said that they do except Women, Infants and Children (WIC) benefits and also supports the South Central Community Action Programs.

Linda Atiyeh said that Council needs to consider the brick-and-mortar businesses that are affected by the farmers markets. She said that a tenant in one of her downtown buildings sells soaps, and that a market vendor also sells soap. Ms. Atiyeh also said that the markets also reduce the visibility to the shops downtown.

Councilman Heyser said that this issue is not for Council to decide, but for both markets to work together. After some discussion some Council members objected to being put in the position of mediating between the two markets. The issue is an administrative matter for the borough staff to handle.

## **MSG Parking Study Expectations - Projects Currently In Progress**

Deb Adamik, President, Main Street Gettysburg presented Council with a detailed presentation regarding the questions and concerns she received about the parking study. (See attached).

## **Planning Commission Update**

Planning Director LaBarre addressed Council in regards to what direction they want the Planning Commission to take with the new initiatives. Martin Jolin, Chairman of the Planning Commission said that Council needs to be realistic about the expectations of items presented to them for review such as the Comprehensive Plan, LERTA, etc. He also pointed out the cost associated with these projects. Mr. Jolin said that the Planning Commission may need to meet more often to address these agenda items.

Manager Gable noted that a committee has been formed to review certain projects such as the LERTA, SALDO, etc., which meets biweekly.

President Krummerich noted that in 2008 a study was provided for the Zoning Ordinance revisions, but wasn't sure of the cost associated with it.

Carly Marshall, Adams County Office of Planning and Development, said that the county office can provide services to the municipalities. Although, it may require a consultant to handle depending on the extent of work that the Borough needs.

## **2017 Street Projects Update**

Chad Clabaugh, Borough Engineer, C. S. Davidson, Inc., presented Council with the asphalt pavement preservation for road improvements. (See attached)

**There was no public comment at this time.**

President Krummerich adjourned the meeting for an executive session at 9:35 PM. Moved Mrs. Naugle, seconded Mr. Weaver to adjourn the meeting at 11:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Sara L. Stull  
Borough Secretary