

BOROUGH COUNCIL OF CAMP HILL

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

FEBRUARY 9, 2000

2145 WALNUT STREET PROSSER HALL

CAMP HILL, PENNSYLVANIA

The meeting was called to order by Council President Forrey at 7:00 p.m. Present were:

William C. Forrey James J. Ramsey (arrived 7:35 p.m.)

Bea Kistler Philip J. Murren

Douglas L. Morrow Jeffrey F. Smith

Also present were Bruce Z. McLanahan, Mayor, Edward J. Knittel, Borough Manager; G. Jan Ammons, Police Chief; Donn L. Snyder, Solicitor and Maronetta F. Miller, Recording Secretary.

The minutes of January 12, 2000 were upon motion of Mr. Murren, seconded by Mrs. Kistler unanimously approved noting the following correction to Parks and Recreation:

Mr. Smith distributed copies of the monthly report, which is made part of the minutes. He noted that Project Playground Phase II is ongoing. Mr. Smith presented a proposal (see attached) from Coca-Cola Joint Sponsorship for sharing revenue with the Borough and School District, which was approved by Council.

MAYOR'S REPORT

The Mayor presented his monthly report, which is made part of the minutes.

MANAGER'S REPORT

The Borough Manager presented his report, which is made part of the minutes.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

Plaques were presented by John Sancenito and Mike Ferguson, both from the Cumberland County District Attorney's Staff, and Roy Miller from the Pennsylvania Auto Theft Authority to the Mayor and Chief of Police as well as to Bill Page of the Cumberland Perry Vocation School and several of its students. All were commended for their participation in the recent VIN etching program. John Sancenito stated that on behalf of the District Attorneys office he is proud to have Camp Hill as co-sponsor of the program. It was announced that approximately 240 cars were protected against auto theft during that program which was the most successful of the programs held.

VISITORS

Persons whose names are checked (Ü) on the attendance sheet addressed the issues relating to the Camp Hill Methodist Church expansion. It was noted that the residents and representatives of the Church have been discussing their specific concerns. Gregg Mace and Mark Gebauer, Esquire raised questions concerning the safety, traffic, landscaping and aesthetics of the neighborhood. David Getz, Esquire representing Church stated that he would be happy to address the issues and concerns raised. First, it was stated that the Church is building a sanctuary that will serve multi-purposes for the Church; it was emphasized that it is not building a gymnasium. Doug Gossett, the Site Engineer for the project stated that all issues have been successfully addressed which were raised by the County Planning Commission.

Frances Reilly addressed issues relating to a recent backup of her sewer. The Solicitor was directed to look into the matter and report back to Council.

President Forrey thanked all of the visitors for attending and assured them that all of their concerns would be considered now and in the future.

PLANNING AND ZONING

Mrs. Kistler distributed copies of the monthly report, which is made part of the minutes. Mrs. Kistler then deferred to Mr. Murren to handle the matter concerning the Camp Hill Church as she is a member

of the Church. Mr. Murren stated that before Council is a site development plan for approval from the Camp Hill United Methodist Church. Mr. Murren had concern where the property closes at the southwest corners; it appears to close in the middle of the driveway that is used for borough playing fields. Mr. Murren indicated that it would be necessary to receive a right of way easement over that corner of the property. Tom Pillion reported that outside agencies approvals are needed and if approved should be contingent upon receipt of the same. Waiver for sidewalk ordinance also may be needed. Mr. Smith asked if the plan meets all building and zoning requirements to which the Borough Solicitor responded affirmatively. Mr. Murren moved to approve the proposed subdivision plan of the United Methodist Church with the following contingencies: (a) the Church enter into agreement with the Borough granting the Borough an easement over the triangular piece of property at the southwest corner for the current driveway near the Fiala playing fields; and (b) the Church receive its final approval for E & S (erosion and sediment) plan and sewer module exemption. The motion was seconded by Mr. Morrow and unanimously approved. Mr. Murren moved to grant a waiver to the United Methodist Church to the ordinance requiring sidewalks. The motion was seconded by Mr. Morrow and unanimously approved.

The Borough Manager reported that at the January 2000 meeting Council gave tentative approval on mall (get from Ed) attached letter from Pillion Manager believes all contingencies have now been met. Plan needs to be approved and signed by Council so funding may be acquired by mall for refinancing agreed no building permits would be issued until a letter of credit has been received.

HEALTH AND SANITATION

Mr. Ramsey distributed copies of the monthly report, which is made part of the minutes. Mr. Pillion reported on the year 2000 sewer projects and announced that the bids will be out in two to three weeks which would permit Council to award the bid in April and begin work in May 2000.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

In the absence of Mrs. Rathbun, the Borough Manager announced that an appointment is still needed to serve on the Shade Tree Commission. President Forrey announced that Mr. Michael D'Alitio has agreed to serve on the Shade Tree Commission.

President Forrey stated that at a recent workshop session Council discussed the recent ordinance relating to contractor's permits. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Borough Solicitor was directed to amend the ordinance to reflect that a contractor need only register if a building permit is required and advertise the same for action at the March, 2000.

The Solicitor distributed requested research relating to off-street parking for review and discussion. Further action on the matter was deferred to the March 2000 meeting.

Upon motion of Mr. Murren, seconded by Mrs. Kistler, Council unanimously approved a contribution to the West Shore Public Library in the amount of \$20,000 to be given in increments of \$4,000 each year beginning with calendar year 2001.

Upon motion of Mrs. Kistler, seconded by Mr. Morrow vouchers totaling \$100,646.81 were unanimously approved for payment.

PUBLIC SAFETY

Mr. Morrow distributed copies of the monthly Fire and Police Reports, which are made part of the minutes. Scott Dorsey Treasurer of the Fire Department distributed information relating to a concept it would like the Borough to consider called "fire billing". In order to put this in effect, Council must adopt an ordinance. The Fire Department would bill insurance companies of those individuals who the fire department serves. It would be another source of revenue for the Fire Department. Scott asked Council to direct the Borough Solicitor to research the matter. He indicated the Fire Department is not looking to bill owners of property relating to residential fires, but mainly auto accidents, clean up of fuel, transport of individuals from auto accidents, etc. but requested Council not hinder the Department in limiting it to what it can or cannot charge for. Mr. Morrow suggested this matter be discussed further at workshop session.

Mr. Morrow distributed correspondence relating to traffic and requested the Chief of Police comment on the matter. Chief Ammons reported on a request for a stop sign at Pennsylvania and Harvard Avenues. Chief Ammons recommends either a two-way stop on Pennsylvania or Harvard, but not a four-way stop sign. Mr. Morrow moved to place a two-way stop sign westbound on Harvard and eastbound on Harvard as it intersects with Pennsylvania and requested the Borough Solicitor draft an ordinance for advertisement to be considered at the next meeting. Further, Mr. Morrow directed the Borough Manager erect temporary signs at that locations. The motion was seconded by Mr. Murren and unanimously approved.

Mr. Morrow discussed stop signs at South 22nd Street and Harvard Avenue due to heavy congestion when there are athletic events. Mr. Morrow moved to install two temporary stop signs at the intersection of South 22nd Street and Harvard Avenue and paint the radius curbs and a section of South 22nd Street to permit clearance for vehicles to turn. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Kistler and unanimously approved.

PARKS AND RECREATION

Mr. Smith distributed copies of the monthly report, which is made part of the minutes.

Correspondence from Marc D. Thompson, Physical Director of the YMCA requesting approval for races to be sponsored by the YMCA on May 13, July 1 and September 9, 2000. Upon motion of Mr. Smith, seconded by Mrs. Kistler, the YMCA was granted permission to hold races on May 13, July 1, and September 9, 2000 pending receipt of proper insurance, coordination through the Borough Manager and Chief of Police and provided there is no conflict with any school events. The motion was unanimously approved.

PUBLIC WORKS

Mr. Murren distributed copies of the monthly report, which is made part of the minutes.

NEW BUSINESS

President Forrey announced that Donald Frutiger has tendered his resignation as a member of the Planning Commission. President Forrey accepted Mr. Frutiger's resignation with gratitude for his many years of service

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Council adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

EDWARD J. KNITTEL, SECRETARY
