

BOROUGH COUNCIL OF CAMP HILL

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

JULY 10, 2002

2145 WALNUT STREET, PROSSER HALL

CAMP HILL, PENNSYLVANIA

Council President Rathbun called the public meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Present were:

Christine Rathbun, Deborah Keys, Richard A. McBride, Jeffrey F. Smith, R. Burke McLemore, James J. Ramsey

Also present were Douglas Morrow, Mayor; Edward J. Knittel, Borough Manager; Tim Marro, Assistant Borough Manager; G. Jan Ammons, Police Chief; Donn L. Snyder, Solicitor; Dylan P. Dayton, Assistant Solicitor; and Maronetta F. Miller, Recorder.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Morrow reviewed the monthly activities and distributed his report as well as the police report. Both reports are made part of the minutes. The Mayor thanked the Emergency Management Task Force for the various meetings recently held. The Mayor announced the annual National Night Out to be held the first Tuesday in August at Willow Park.

MANAGER'S REPORT

The Borough Manager reviewed current projects and presented his monthly report, which is made part of the minutes. The Assistant Borough Manager's report was also presented and is made part of the minutes. The Borough Manager reported on the Great Road Festival. There are 85 vendors which is the maximum agreed to have at the event to be held September 21, 2002. The Assistant Borough Manager reported on the Solid Waste Contract. He stated that six municipalities would like to have a joint contract covering approximately 28,000 households beginning in 2003, Camp Hill, Wormleysburg, Lower Allen, Mechanicsburg, Hampden Township and Monroe Township. Each municipality is preparing its own RFP and will then try to consolidate to meet every municipalities needs. More information to follow.

The Borough Manager sent out a special thank you to an anonymous donor for the \$15,000 donation for playground equipment at Fiala Fields.

VISITORS

Mr. Eichelberger, representing the West Shore COG discussed a new initiative that the WSCOG is undertaking this year. It is a long range planning process. The goal is to take a close look to see if COG is serving its members to the best of its ability. A meeting will be held on September 24, 2002 and a representative of each municipality will be invited to attend to participate in a structured discussion. Mr. Eichelberger requested that the survey distributed be completed either as a whole or individually by each Council member and that Council appoint an individual to speak on behalf of the Borough of Camp Hill.

Kathryn Gher questioned why there were no "watch children" signs in other areas of the Borough specifically on 24th Street from Hoover School. The Borough Manager stated that they are looking at signs that currently exist and are replacing them first with updated signs and it is an on-going process. Ms. Gher wanted to know the procedure for requesting stop signs. She was advised to write letter to Borough Manager who then refers the matter to the Public Safety Committee for review and recommendation to Council.

Wander Overmyer toured the progress of the soundwalls on Rt. 581 and indicated the Hampden Township neighbors are pleased with progress.

Mary Brenner thanked the Borough for moving so quickly on the pool issues.

HEALTH AND SANITATION

In the absence of Mr. Forrey, Mr. Ramsey distributed copies of the monthly report that is made part of the minutes. Copies of the Lemoyne Municipal Authority Minutes were distributed for review.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Mr. McLemore requested names of any one interested in serving on the Shade Tree Commission as there are two vacancies.

Mr. McLemore expressed support for Mr. Knittel about to undergo surgery.

There was discussion regarding a Mutual Aid Agreement request from Harrisburg. Chief Ammons said that in light of 9/11, it may be a good idea to check into an agreement, but that proper procedure would be through Dauphin County.

Mr. McLemore moved to accept a \$10,000 grant from DCED to codify and simplify the zoning

ordinances, seconded by Mrs. Keys, and unanimously approved. Mr. McLemore also moved to codify and modernize the zoning ordinance, seconded by Mrs. Keys, unanimously approved. President Rathbun requested that the Borough Manager invite URDC to the August meeting.

Mr. McLemore noted a notice regarding the Police Officers Association collective bargaining.

Mr. McLemore presented an Ordinance governing handicap parking on South 17th Street for consideration. Mr. McLemore moved to adopt the ordinance subject to receipt of the proof of publication from the newspaper. The motion was seconded by Mr. McBride and unanimously approved by polling Council.

Congratulations were extended to Mr. Maro and his crew on their efficiency in removing a tree recently that was across the highway.

PUBLIC SAFETY

Mr. McBride distributed copies of the monthly Police and Fire Reports that are made part of the minutes. The Borough Manager passed along a request for a stop sign at 29th and Chestnut Streets that was referred to Public Safety Committee for consideration.

PARKS AND RECREATION

Mr. Smith distributed copies of the monthly report, which is made part of the minutes. He has been asked by citizens why the fields are being watered during a time of drought. The Borough Manager said the Borough must water the fields to avoid loss of the grass and that all watering is in accordance with DEP regulations.

PLANNING & ZONING

Mrs. Keys distributed copies of the monthly report that is made part of the minutes. The West Shore COG minutes of June 17, 2002 were also distributed for information purposes. There will be a Zoning Commission meeting on July 16, 2002 and the West Shore COG will hold its annual surplus equipment auction on July 24, 2002. Mrs. Keys moved to permit the Borough to participate in the surplus equipment auction. The motion was seconded by Mr. Ramsey and unanimously approved.

PUBLIC WORKS

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

VOUCHERS

Upon motion of Mr. Ramsey, seconded by Ms. Keys, vouchers totaling \$134,527.61 were approved.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Council recessed the public portion of the meeting to discuss legal matters at 8:10 p.m.

PUBLIC SESSION

The public portion of the meeting resumed at 8:52 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Council adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

EDWARD J. KNITTEL, SECRETARY
