

**CAMP HILL BOROUGH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
2145 WALNUT STREET, PROSSER HALL
CAMP HILL, PA 17011
February 11, 2015**

President Peter Robelen called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Present were:

Steve Brodie
Terri Edwards
Richard Guerin
Peter Robelen
Carl Schultz
Leigh Twiford
Richard Woodard

Also present were Mayor Mark Simpson, Borough Manager Anne Shambaugh, Solicitor Steve Feinour, Borough Engineer Michael Mehaffey, Codes & Zoning Officer Chris Miller, Recreation Director Audrey Logar, and Nate Sterling as recording secretary.

SILENT REFLECTION

After calling the meeting to order Mr. Robelen informed those in attendance of the recent passing of two long-time Borough residents: Christian “Chick” Siebert and Earl Besch as well as the passing of council person Leigh Twiford’s mother and council person Steve Brodie’s stepfather. He requested that they and their families be kept in mind during the silent reflection.

MINUTES

The minutes of the January 14, 2015 regular meeting were presented.

- Motion made by Mr. Woodard, seconded by Mr. Guerin, to approve the minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

MAYOR’S REPORT

Mayor Simpson stated there was no report this month.

PRESENTATION – BOND REFINANCING

At this time Zack Williard, from PFM (Public Financial Management, Harrisburg, PA), spoke via conference call to Council continuing the discussion on the options for refinancing the Series 2011 municipal bond for sewer upgrades. Mr. Williard’s handout suggested three different options for the Borough to allocate the savings from refinancing. After questions and discussion, Council thanked Mr. Williard for his help and the conference call ended with him at 7:20pm.

- Motion made by Mr. Brodie, seconded by Mr. Woodard, to authorized the refinancing of the Series 2011 GO Bond immediately and to use the Option 1: “Level Savings Over the Life” savings structure as indicated in the packet. There was some brief discussion at this time. Mr. Woodard indicated he thought interest rates were likely to increase so it was a good idea to act now. It was mentioned that the roughly \$50,000 per year savings could cover the cost of an employee (although the money would need to be specifically tied into Sewer Fund expenses). Mr. Guerin explained how future sewer rates increases could be affected by the three saving structure options. The motion carried 6-1 with Mr. Guerin opposing.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Connie Kindler, 3405 Chestnut Street, spoke regarding the addiction and rehabilitation outpatient clinic scheduled to go in the former AAA office building located at 3433 Trindle Road. She stated she understood the need but expressed concern about a business like that being established in a “walking community” specifically mentioning the close proximity of the Camp Hill Plaza Apartments. She requested it be looked into further.
- Bonnie Bentz, 3015 Columbia Ave, questioned whether she missed a Council hearing regarding the proposed zoning ordinance change to which Council responded she did not.

PUBLIC SAFETY

Chief Simpson spoke to the highlights and statistics of the Fire Department Monthly Report.

MANAGER’S REPORT

Ms. Shambaugh stated the Treasurer’s report for January 2015 was included in the council packets. Also, Borough Directories with new 2015 Committee assignments had been distributed.

Ms. Shambaugh spoke to council regarding the Borough’s Storm Water maintenance ordinance as it relates to the new MS4 permit reminding council that needed to be approved by May 2015.

- Motion made by Mr. Woodard, seconded by Mr. Schultz, advertise the proposed changes to the Borough’s Storm Water Ordinance in coordination with the new MS4 permit requirements. Mr. Shambaugh informed council that the Borough could lien properties if proper storm water maintenance is not performed. Ms. Shambaugh indicted there were fourteen private Best Management Practices (BMP) sites. She also clarified that plan improvements must have equal or less storm drainage in their design and all changes to the ordinance were recommended by the State. Motion passed unanimously.

HEALTH and SANITATION

Mr. Guerin stated the monthly report and engineer's report are in the packet. He also mentioned that the corrective actions bids were due in March 2015.

Mr. Robelen added for the record that the Borough had not received any correspondence from resident Floyd Focht regarding a response to the Shaffer Alley situation.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Ms. Twiford read the list of announcements for upcoming meetings.

FINANCE

Mr. Woodard presented vouchers for payment.

- Motion made by Mr. Woodard, seconded by Ms. Twiford, to pay vouchers in the amount of \$450,638.37. Motion passed unanimously.

INFRASTRUCTURE

Mr. Guerin stated there was nothing to report this month.

PERSONNEL, POLICIES and PROCEDURES

Ms. Twiford stated there was nothing to report this month.

COMMUNITY AND BUSINESS RELATIONS

Mr. Schultz stated there was nothing to report this month.

PARKS and RECREATION

Ms. Edwards stated the monthly report is in the packet. Ms. Edwards also mentioned that Audrey Logar could use assistance with the annual Camp Registration Night being held on Monday March 2 from 5 to 6:30 p.m. and that the new camps were included in the newsletter.

The next item Ms. Edwards discussed was a sandwich board sign request from the Jr. Civic Club advertising their Memorial Day 5K event. Ms. Edwards indicated to Council that through discussions with the Borough Manager and Recreation their consensus was to have the time limit for sandwich boards at Willow Park be the same as banners over Market Street which is for a two (2) week maximum period. Also, sandwich board advertising requests could be reviewed and approved by the Borough Manager.

PLANNING & ZONING

Mr. Brodie stated the monthly reports are in the packet. Also, Mr. Brodie presented motions for two agenda items:

- Motion made by Mr. Brodie, seconded by Mr. Guerin, to advertise for a special hearing to review and discuss the vacation of a portion of North 15th Street. Mr. Feinour explained that Council would be able to authorize an ordinance to vacate the portion of land in question if it so desired. Motion passed unanimously. The special hearing would be held at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday March 11, 2015 prior to another special hearing at 6:15 p.m. regarding the proposed changes to the zoning ordinance (being continued). Both hearings would be held prior to the regularly scheduled council meeting at 7:00 p.m.
- Motion made by Mr. Brodie, seconded by Ms. Edwards, to advertise for a special hearing to review and discuss the adoption of the new Zoning Ordinance. There was in-depth discussion mostly regarding the inclusion/exclusion of the alternative energy section of the proposed ordinance. Mr. Robelen stated he thought the ordinance should be passed as-is and then could be amended as needed. He explained how long of a process it had already been and that much of the substantial work was done two years ago with the delay primarily being the pending outcome on the proposal for the Schaeffer School. The former AAA building was mentioned as an example of how the proposed zoning changes would expand permitted use in certain areas (in the example, the property owner would have been able to advertise to a larger variety of business types seeking to rent there). After the discussion period the original motion was amended as follows:
- Motion made by Mr. Brodie, seconded by Mr. Woodard, to advertise the proposed zoning ordinance with the alternative energy provisions removed. Motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC WORKS

Mr. Brodie stated the monthly report is in your packet.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Bonnie Bentz, 3015 Columbia Ave, spoke again, questioning whether the email she sent to the Borough regarding the inconsistencies on the billboards had been received and addressed. She was also concerned that alternative energy structures could be implemented even now and questioned Mr. Feinour about the possibility of using the Pending Ordinance Doctrine. Mr. Feinour stated that could be used if the need arose.
- Bruce Bigelow, 20 South 26th Street, stated he liked the new Borough website and expressed his thanks for it.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Council recessed into executive session to discuss personnel matters, litigation, and to seek advice from the Solicitor at 8:04 p.m.

Borough Council returned to public session at 9:22 p.m.

- Motion made by Ms. Edwards, seconded by Mr. Woodard, to advertise the Ordinance amending Chapter 145, Section 145-5J and repealing Chapter 195, Articles I and II of the code of the Borough of Camp Hill amending and deleting certain provisions pertaining to firearms. Motion passed unanimously.

There being no further business to discuss,

- Motion made by Mr. Woodard, seconded by Ms. Twiford, to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously at 9:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nathaniel Sterling