

BOROUGH COUNCIL OF CAMP HILL

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

DECEMBER 9, 1998

2145 WALNUT STREET PROSSER HALL

CAMP HILL, PENNSYLVANIA

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

Russell W. Christie	Philip J. Murren	John J. McKee
Christine Rathbun	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.

Upon motion of Mr. Smith seconded by Mr. Morrow, the minutes of November 11, 1998 were unanimously approved.

MAYOR'S REPORT

The Mayor presented the Police Report for the month of November, 1998 which is made part of the minutes. The Mayor announced that a suspect was apprehended within 72 hours after the recent the burglary at the Baptist Church and extended congratulations to Sgt. Hope and to the Police Chief.

BOROUGH MANAGER'S REPORT

The Borough Manager distributed a copy of his report and the same is attached to and made part of the minutes.

VISITORS

Dot Lahaski, of Arlington Street, was present as a member of the Board of Trustees of the West Shore Public Library, and as a member of the Committee which is designing the library. Ms. Lahaski reported that it is the intention of the Committee to provide monthly updates to all municipalities and the public and provided a copy of a status report for each Council member.

Bill Bottonari reviewed the 1998 proposed budget and asked what the total debt of the Borough is at this time. The Borough Manager stated that he previously informed Mr. Bottonari that it is approximately \$2.3 million. He also asked if anyone knew what the School District total debt is at this time. President Murren stated that Council did not have that information. President Murren requested the Borough Manager print the pertinent information relating to the budget.

Wanda Overmyer addressed Council and wished all a happy Holiday Season and thanked all for their service. She expressed concern about the watering of the newly planted trees.

George Geisler was present and again expressed his concern about the traffic near Lenkerbrook Dairy. The Borough Manager reported that the Dairy was contacted and had requested all of their truck drivers use Harvard Avenue. Mr. Morrow suggested perhaps a committee be assigned to look into any possible alternative solutions. Mr. Smith requested more police patrol and Chief Ammons reported that there is patrolling in that area but it will be increased.

HEALTH AND SANITATION

Mr. Christie distributed copies of the monthly report which is made part of the minutes. Mr. Pillion reported that Borough staff and he are working on obtaining the base line figures as requested at last month's meeting. Mr. Pillion reported that they are 99.8% complete with the home inspections. In addition Mr. Pillion reported that he met with Mr. Eugene Smith and Mr. Smith is very pleased with the suggestion of utilizing the sewer system as an emergency overflow. Mr. Pillion reported that he viewed Mr. Peterman's property on Myrtle Avenue with Messrs. Morrow and Knittel. Based on the inspection, the curbing that would be provided would not benefit his property as it runs up from the road and would only cause a more significant pond below. Mr. Peterman would like to meet with Mr. Pillion and the Borough Manager. Mr. Pillion suggested he contact the Borough Manager and schedule the meeting. Mr. Snyder reviewed the matter relating to Mr. Henne of 2906 Harvard Avenue, and reported that the Borough has an easement by prescription and both Messrs. Snyder and Pillion have spoken with Mr. Henne and he seems to be satisfied at this point.

Mr. Morrow reported that the Health and Sanitation Committee is planning a meeting with the Public Works Committee and Mr. Pillion and encouraged suggestions from all Council Members.

Mr. Pillion recommended payment of statement from Rogele . Upon motion of Mr. Christie, seconded by Mr. Morrow, the statement for sewer work performed by Rogele in the amount of \$47,118.81 was

unanimously approved.

The Borough Solicitor reported that the work done for the two homeowners in Country Club Hills has been completed, fully paid and all are satisfied. President Murren requested Mr. Pillion to inspect the work and report at next month's meeting.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Mrs. Rathbun moved to accept the proposed 1999 budget. The same was seconded by Mr. McKee. Mr. Smith moved to amend the Public Works budget by deleting the additional full time employee and reduce the line items accordingly. The motion was seconded by Mr. Morrow. After discussion President Murren polled Council Members. The motion was carried with Mrs. Rathbun and Mr. McKee opposing the amendment to the budget.

Mr. Smith moved to amend the item under Park Developments relating to the repairs in the stone building restrooms in Siebert Park to hold up releasing all or any portion of the \$10,000 for repairs pending Council approval. The motion was seconded by Mr. Morrow and unanimously approved.

Mr. Smith moved to amend an item in the Sewer Revenue Fund relating to engineering fees to hold up releasing all or any portion above \$5,000 contingent upon Council approval. The motion was seconded by Mr. Murren. After discussion President Murren polled Council Members. Opposing the amendment were Mrs. Rathbun and Messrs. Morrow and McKee. Voting in favor of the amendment were Messrs. Smith, Murren and Christie. There being a tie in the voting, the Mayor was asked to vote and cast his vote in favor of the amendment. The motion was carried.

President Murren repeated the initial motion on the table which is to approve the proposed 1999 budget as amended. The same was seconded by Mr. McKee and unanimously approved by polling Council Members present.

Mrs. Rathbun moved to approve the adoption of the 1999 tax millage ordinance at a rate of 37 1/2 mills. The same was seconded by Mr. McKee and unanimously approved by polling Council Members.

President Murren reported on the proposed appointments to Boards and Commissions. A copy of those who have agreed to serve is attached to and made part of the minutes. President Murren recommends reappointment to the Boards and Commissions for the ones that have expired subject to the acceptance of those that have not yet been contacted. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the reappointments were unanimously approved.

Mrs. Rathbun moved to approve the 1999 proposed Tax Anticipation Note from Pennsylvania State Bank at a rate of 4.25%. The same was seconded by Mr. McKee and unanimously approved by

resolution.

Mrs. Rathbun distributed copy of the proposed 1999 Council meeting schedule (attached) and moved that the schedule be properly advertised. The motion was seconded by Mr. McKee and unanimously approved.

PUBLIC SAFETY

Mr. McKee distributed the Police Report and the Emergency Service Report. Mr. McKee moved to approve change order No. 14 in the credit amount of (\$2,708.84) on the fire company building. The same was seconded by Mrs. Rathbun and unanimously approved. Mr. McKee noted that he spoke with Dave Faerber and all of the punch list items have not yet been completed; however funds are being held awaiting completion.

PARKS AND RECREATION

Mr. Smith distributed a copy of the Camp Hill Recreation Report for the month which is made part of the minutes.

It was noted that the Parks and Recreation Committee's budget is included as part of the 1999 budget and therefore approved by Council.

PLANNING AND ZONING

In the absence of Mrs. Kistler, Mrs. Rathbun distributed a copy of the monthly report which is made part of the minutes.

PUBLIC WORKS

Mr. Morrow distributed copy of the monthly report and is made part of the minutes. Mr. Morrow also noted that several trees have been planted, have been watered regularly and they look good.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The public portion of the meeting recessed to enable Council to go into Executive Session at 8:55 p.m.

to discuss matters relating to real estate.

PUBLIC MEETING

The public portion of the meeting resumed at 10:25 P.M.

VOUCHERS

Upon motion duly made and seconded, vouchers totaling \$92,327 were unanimously approved.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before Council, the meeting adjourned at 10:35 p.m.

Edward J. Knittel, Secretary
