

BOROUGH OF MECHANICSBURG
BOROUGH COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETING
2 West Strawberry at North Market Street
Mechanicsburg, PA 17055-6282

September 4, 2001

7:30 P.M.

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS - COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETING

ATTENDANCE:

In Attendance: President Rider, Vice President Eichelberger; Councilmen: Forry, McDermott, Ritter, Seagrist, Winchell; Solicitor Sunday; Chief Sports, Secretary-Manager Stough, & Cress- Sentinel; Others: Glenda Boyer, Ron Blauch, Floyd Kautz, Jr., Bob Detrick, Jay Stoner, Donald Fissel & Joe Thompson.

Absent: Mayor Ritter

GUESTS

Ron Blauch, 215 South Broad Street, expressed his concern regarding water levels on Broad Street during last Friday night's rain storm. He feels the construction at the School is increasing the stormwater run-off on the street and in his yard. After some discussion, President Rider stated that the Borough Manager would contact the School District and look into this issue. Councilmen Forry suggested that the Borough Engineer look at the construction site to determine if stormwater run-off is a potential problem to neighboring residents. The Manager stated that the School District felt the stormwater improvements associated with this project will decrease stormwater runoff to adjacent properties after completion, however there may be some additional runoff during the course of the construction project.

Tom Thompson, 106 South High Street, asked Borough Council to look into providing a skateboard area at the park for children. Councilman McDermott noted that the Recreation Commission is looking into that issue. Councilman McDermott suggested that Mr. Thompson bring any information he has available to the Recreation Commission meeting next Tuesday, September 11th at 7: 30 p.m.

CORRESPONDENCE

NONE

MANAGER'S REPORT

- * September 14th the Highway Department has scheduled Allendale Road for paving. Hempts has been contracted to perform the work.
- * Locust Street was paved in conjunction with U.G.I.
- * September 20th Upper Alien Township will consider adoption of a weight restriction ordinance for Allendale Road, which should help to limit truck traffic on this road within the Borough limits.
- * September 21st at 7:00 p.m. the POW-MIA will hold a Vigil on the square at 7 p.m.
- * The scheduling of the Highway Department roof is nearing completion and the roof repairs should be completed before fall.
- * September 25th is the Tri-County Borough's Association meeting in Mercersburg at 6 p.m. Interested Council persons should make reservations with the Manager before September 14, 2001.
- * Waste Management will contribute \$350.00 towards the postage of the newsletter, which will provide information to residents on the new services under the refuse contract. Information about refuse changes will also be added to the 4th quarter refuse bills.

MAYOR'S REPORT

NONE

CHIEF OF POLICE REPORT

- * Chief Spotts noted that Approval of the Carlisle Fire Police to help with the traffic control for the Halloween Parade on October 16, 2001 has to be added to the meeting agenda for September 18th.
- * The Mechanicsburg Police Department received a Letter of Commendation from the Tennessee Department of Children's Services for the assistance they provided in locating and determining the welfare of children under their jurisdiction.
- * Officer Dyer has been certified as a Motor Carrier Safety Assurance Program Inspector. The Chief discussed possible locations for Officer Dyer to perform inspections with the Borough Council. The Giant parking lot on Simpson Ferry Road and the Borough parking lot across from Uni-Mart on North York Street were discussed as possible location. Giant will be contacted to see if they will give permission for use of their lot. After a lengthily discussion, Borough Council agreed to allow use of the Borough lot for inspections.
- * Chief Spotts requested an executive session with no action to be taken after the adjournment of this meeting.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

- * Solicitor Sunday reported that the Borough has received payment in full from Mr. Sanders for the lot he purchased from the Borough on Race Street.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Recycling Committee - Winchell: NONE

Finance-Appropriations-Insurance - Rider: President Rider noted that the Finance Committee will meet Monday, September 10, 2001 at 6:00 p.m. President Rider asked the Manager to advertise this meeting.

Health-Recreation -McDermott: Fall Recreation Newsletter came out today. Recreation Commission will be meeting Tuesday, September 11th at 7:30 p.m. Letters of interest for the vacancy on the Health Board are still being accepted from interested residents. The Recreation Commission is looking into putting new restroom facilities at Memorial Park similar to those facilities already in place at the Northside Park.

Public Safety-Highways - Forry: NONE

Public Communications - Eichelberger: The next edition of the Borough newsletter will be out in October and the deadline for submissions is September 25th.

Ordinance-Administration-Legislative Action -Seagrist: Mr. Seagrist thanked Borough Council and staff for actions taken regarding House Bill 1830.

Property-Buildings - Ritter: NONE

School Board Liaison - McDermott: Councilmen McDermott stated that the School Board has expressed interest in the Junior Councilperson program. Mr. Harris the government studies teacher will look for some interested students who are Borough Residents. The School District will offer incentives to interested students.

Community Development - McDermott: Next Monday the Citizens Crime Watch meeting will be held at 7 p.m. at the Mechanicsburg Senior Center and the Halloween Parade Committee meeting will follow at 8 p.m. Parade registration forms are available on the Halloween Parade Associations web site. The Museum Association dinner is scheduled for September 17th at the Trindle Springs Church at 6:15. Reservations for the dinner are due by September 6th. Next Tuesday Cub Scout Pack 283 will be holding an open house and sign up night at Saint Mark's Lutheran Church for boy's grades 1 through 5. The Foot Traffic Group met this evening and plans to have a color brochure featuring the downtown merchants will be out later this month. They will be sponsoring Sidewalk Sales Days September 27, 28 and 29. Next Monday the Civil War and More store will be opening at 10 South Market Street.

W.S.C.O.G. - Ritter: NONE

AGENDA ITEMS FOR SEPTEMBER 18. 2001 REGULAR MEETING

- * **Review and discussion of B.A. Burkholder Consulting Safety Reports.**
- * **Appointment to fill Health Board Vacancy.**
- * **Church Road and Mulberry Drive Bridge Update.**
- * **PSAB Fall Conference information and dates. - October 26 through October 28, 2001**

- * **Discussion on mileage reimbursement.**
- * **Update on Junior Councilperson program.**
- * **Resolution acknowledging Mrs. Nancy Hanlon.**
- * **Approve Carlisle Fire Police to assist with traffic control during the Halloween Parade.**

GUESTS
NONE

OTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE COUNCIL

Councilmen Winchell asked if the Borough needs to pass a Resolution to accept the County funding contribution towards the 800MHz radio system. One of our Fire Chiefs had received communication on this matter from the County. Chief Spotts recalls that a Resolution was passed on this matter some time ago. The Manager will check to see if the Resolution was passed. If not the Resolution will be added to the agenda.

ADJOURNMENT

Having no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m. to be followed by an Executive Session with no action to be taken

Jonathan S. Stough
Borough Secretary