

MECHANICSBURG BOROUGH COUNCIL REORGANIZATION MEETING  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, BOROUGH OFFICE BUILDING  
36 West Allen Street  
Mechanicsburg, PA 17055-6282

January 3, 2006

7:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER: at 7:30 P.M. E.S.T. by Honorable Jack Ritter, Mayor.

ATTENDANCE:

Present were Councilmen McDermott & Ryder. Councilman Winchell was absent. Also present were Councilmen-elect Humes, Seagrism, Stoner and Whitcomb, Jr. Councilman Nauss, Solicitor Schorpp, Mayor Ritter, Chief Spotts, Secretary Stough & Assistant Secretary Boyer. Fire Chief Seagrism was absent.

PUBLIC ATTENDANCE: Cress- Sentinel, Daryl Ackerman, Ralph Bailets, Harry Baker, Roger Ciecierski, Kirk & Sandy Corliss, Dale Edwards, Jim Ehrhart, Nancy Hanlon, Diane M. Harper, Elvin Hess, David Hoover, Eric Hughes, Bill Kocher, Melissa Manning, Gail McDermott, William & Cheryl Moore, Bradley Nauss, Lee & Rosalie Roland, Bob Sprowls, Dolores Stoner, Jim VanKirk and Jim Wever.

ROLL CALL OF HOLDOVER COUNCILMEN: by Mayor Ritter; recorded present: Councilmen McDermott and Ryder.

PRESENTATION OF ELECTION CERTIFICATES: Council-elect Humes, Seagrism, Stoner, Whitcomb presented their election certificates to the Borough Secretary to be placed on file at the Borough Office for a period of six years.

DISTRICT JUSTICE MARK MARTIN ADMINISTERED OATH OF OFFICE TO MAYOR RITTER

District Justice Mark Martin administered the Oath of Office to Mayor Ritter. Mayor Ritter thanked District Justice Martin and welcomed him to his new position as District Justice and presented him with a key to the City.

MAYOR RITTER ADMINISTERED OATH OF OFFICE TO ELECTED COUNCILMEN:

Mayor Ritter administered the Oath of Office to elected Councilmen Humes, Stoner & Whitcomb

JUDGE EDWARD GUIDO ADMINISTERED OATH OF OFFICE TO ELECTED COUNCILMAN SEAGRISM:

Judge Edward Guido administered the Oath of Office to elected Councilman Seagrism.

ROLL CALL OF ELECTED COUNCILMEN: Recorded present by Mayor Ritter; Councilmen Humes, Seagrism, Stoner, Whitcomb.

ELECTION OF COUNCIL OFFICERS: Mayor Ritter opened the floor for nominations for President of Borough Council. Councilman Ryder nominated Councilman Winchell and Councilman Humes seconded the nomination. Councilman McDermott nominated Councilman Whitcomb and Councilman Stoner seconded the nomination. Mayor Ritter closed the nominations and called for a vote on the nomination of Councilman Winchell. The nomination failed by a vote of 2 in favor (Humes, Ryder) and 4 opposed (McDermott, Seagrism, Stoner, Whitcomb) Mayor Ritter called for a vote on the second nomination and the motion to elect Councilman Whitcomb as President passed with all in favor.

SEATING OF COUNCIL PRESIDENT:

Mayor Ritter escorted President Whitcomb to his seat as President of Borough Council.

President Whitcomb opened the floor for nominations for Vice President. President Whitcomb nominated Councilman Winchell as Vice President. Councilman Ryder seconded the motion. Councilman Seagrism nominated Councilman McDermott and Councilman Stoner seconded the nomination. President Whitcomb closed the floor for nominations and called for a vote on the first nomination of Councilman Winchell. The vote was tie with 3 voting for (Humes, Ryder, Whitcomb) and 3 voting against (McDermott, Seagrism, Stoner). Mayor Ritter was called on to break the tie and he voted for election of Jack Winchell as Vice President of Council.

APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN PRO-TEM:

President Whitcomb appointed Councilman Ryder Chairman Pro-tem.

SEATING OF OTHER COUNCILMEN: President Whitcomb asked Councilman Stoner to take the seat next to Councilman Ryder, and returned Councilman Humes to the seat she previously occupied. All other Council seats remained the same, with Vice President Winchell being seated to the right of President Whitcomb.

**COUNCIL COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS**

President Whitcomb made the following committee assignments:

**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT & DOWNTOWN**

Linda Humes, Chairman  
John McDermott  
Matt Seagrist

**FINANCE**

Jack Winchell, Chairman  
Linda Humes  
Rodney Whitcomb

**HEALTH & RECREATION**

Matt Seagrist, Chairman  
Linda Humes  
John McDermott

**LIBRARY REPRESENTATIVE**

Jack Winchell

**ORDINANCE-ADMINISTRATION LEGISLATIVE**

Linda Humes, Chairman  
Matt Seagrist  
Jay Stoner

**FIRE COMMITTEE**

Charlie Ryder, Chairman  
John McDermott  
Rodney Whitcomb

**HIGHWAY & PUBLIC SAFETY**

Jay Stoner, Chairman  
Linda Humes  
Rodney Whitcomb

**LOAN REVIEW COMMITTEE**

Linda Humes, Chairman  
John McDermott  
One Community Representative (Linda Willis)

President Whitcomb directed Councilman Humes to check with Linda Willis to see if she is willing to continue serving on this committee.

**POLICE PENSION FUND**

Jack Winchell  
Mayor Ritter  
Lieutenant Margaret Myers  
Officer Brian Curtis

**PROPERTY- BUILDINGS**

Jay Stoner, Chairman  
Matt Seagrist  
Rodney Whitcomb

**PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE**

John McDermott, Chairman  
Linda Humes  
Jay Stoner

**RECYCLING COMMITTEE**

Charles Ryder, Chairman  
Linda Humes  
Matt Seagrist

**SCHOOL BOARD LIAISON**

Charlie Ryder

**WEST SHORE COG**

John Dermott, Delegate  
Charlie Ryder, Alternate

**WEST SHORE TAX BUREAU**

Harry Gsell, Treasurer, Delegate  
Jack Winchell alternate

**UNION NEGOTIATING COMMITTEE**

Rodney Whitcomb, Chairperson  
Charles Ryder  
Jack Winchell  
Jonathan Stough, Secretary

**ACCIDENT REVIEW COMMITTEE**

Jack Winchell & Rodney Whitcomb  
Manager (if accident involves non-uniform personnel)  
Chief of Police (if accident involves police)  
Mayor (if accident involves Chief)

**CUMBERLAND COUNTY MUNICIPAL BOARD**

John McDermott, Alternate  
Matt Seagrist, Delegate

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA:

Councilman Seagrist made a motion to approve the agenda. Councilman Humes seconded the motion, which passed with all in favor.

BUSINESS ITEMS:

**Motion to establish voting procedures on roll call, voice votes, alphabetically.**

Councilman Ryder made a motion, second by Councilman McDermott, to establish an alphabetical voting procedure for all Council meetings. The motion passed with all in favor.

**Motion to approve the agenda and meeting format as used in 2006.**

Councilman Ryder moved, Councilman Humes second, approval of the agenda and meeting format.

**Motion to approve the Council meeting schedule as advertised.**

Manager Stough reviewed the dates of the meeting changes due to elections and the 4<sup>th</sup> of July holiday (copy of Legal notice attached). Councilman McDermott made a motion, second by Councilman Ryder to approve the schedule for 2006 Council meetings as advertised.

**Motion to appoint Solicitor Schorpp as Parliamentarian.**

Councilman Seagrist moved, Councilman McDermott second, to appoint Solicitor Schropp as Parliamentarian for a term of two years. The motion passed, 6:0.

**Motion to appoint Chief Spotts Sergeant at Arms.**

Councilman Humes made a motion, second by Councilman Ryder, to appoint Chief Spotts as Sergeant at Arms for a two-year term. The motion carried with all in favor.

**Motion to appoint PNC Bank, PLGIT, & Integrity Bank as depositories of Borough funds.**

Councilman Ryder moved, Councilman McDermott second, to appoint PNC Bank, PLGIT & Integrity Bank as depositories of Borough funds, after said institutions provide proof of collateral to insure funds over the FDIC insured amounts to the Borough Manager and Solicitor for their approval. The motion passed 6:0.

**Motion to establish Roberts Rules of Order as standard for meetings.**

Councilman Stoner moved, Councilman McDermott second, to establish Roberts Rules of Order as the standard for meetings. The motion passed, 6:0.

**Motion to appoint Chairperson for Vacancy Board.**

Manager Stough indicated that Harold Hertzler had previously served in this position. After discussion Councilman Stoner made a motion, second by Councilman Ryder, to appoint Harold Hertzler as Vacancy Board Chairperson. The motion carried with all in favor.

**Appointment of Sewage Enforcement Officer.**

Councilman Seagrist made a motion, second by Councilman Humes, to appoint Pennoni Associates, as Sewage Enforcement Officer for a two-year term. The motion passed with all in favor.

**Appointment of West Shore COG Delegate & Alternate**

Councilman Seagrist made a motion to appoint Councilman McDermott as the Borough Delegate for West Shore COG. Councilman Ryder seconded the motion, which passed with all in favor. Councilman McDermott made a motion to appoint Councilman Ryder as alternate and Councilman Humes seconded the motion, which passed with all in favor.

**Appointment of Delegate and Alternate to the Cumberland County Municipal Advisory Board.**

Councilman Ryder made a motion, second by Councilman Stoner, to appoint Councilman McDermott as the delegate and Councilman Seagrist as the alternate, to the Cumberland County Municipal Advisory Board. The motion passed, 6:0.

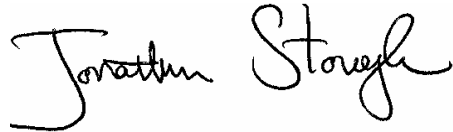
GUESTS:

President Whitcomb asked for comments from the public and there were none.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

President Whitcomb called for other business and none was brought to the floor.

ADJOURNMENT: With no further business to come before Council, President Whitcomb adjourned the Re-organizational meeting at 7:48 PM

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jonathan Stough". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent initial "J".

Jonathan S. Stough  
Borough Manager