

**Meeting Minutes**  
**State College Borough Council**  
**January 7, 2008**

The State College Borough Council met in a regular meeting on Monday, January 7, 2008, in the State College Municipal Building Council Room, 234 South Allen Street, State College, PA. Mr. Welch called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

Present: Bill Welch, Mayor  
Catherine G. Dauler, President of Council  
Thomas E. Daubert  
Ronald L. Filippelli  
Elizabeth A. Goreham  
Donald M. Hahn  
Craig R. Humphrey  
Absent Jeffrey R. Kern

Also present: Terry J. Williams, Borough Solicitor; Thomas J. Fountaine, Borough Manager; Thomas S. Kurtz, Assistant Manager; Roger A. Dunlap, Assistant Manager; Carl R. Hess, Planning Director; Mark A. Whitfield, Public Works Director; Beth A. Johnston, Human Resources Director; Arthur Caccavale, Parking Manager; Michael S. Groff, Finance Director; Mark S. Henry, Health Officer; Timothy Grattan, Information Technology Director; Cynthia S. Hanscom, Recording Secretary, members of the media; and other interested observers.

Mr. Welch began with a moment of silence and pledge of allegiance.

Public Hour. There was no one wishing to speak during the public hour.

Consent Items. Mr. Daubert moved and Ms. Dauler seconded a motion to approve the following consent items. The motion passed with a 6-0-0 vote.

A resolution to appoint Stanford Lembeck and Lee L. Lowry (alternate) to the Zoning Hearing Board, both serving a three year term ending on December 31, 2010.

Accept a resignation, with regret, from Theresa D. Lafer from the Community Development Block Grant Citizens' Advisory Committee.

Approve the following minutes for meetings held in November and December, 2007.

November 28, 2007, Work Session  
December 3, 2007, Regular Meeting  
December 10, 2007, Work Session

Mr. Hahn moved to approve the minutes of the December 7 and December 17 meetings with the following corrections:

- From the December 7 meeting minutes, page 349, 8<sup>th</sup> paragraph, add a sentence following the last sentence of the paragraph to read "Mr. Hahn pointed out that this proposal would apply only to the parking deck and that businesses would have the option of moving their parking to the Pugh Street, Fraser Street, or Beaver Avenue garages where the rates are lower."
- From the December 17 minutes, page 359, 14<sup>th</sup> paragraph, first sentence, add the clause at the end to indicate, 'but would vote to give notice based on the recommendation.'

Ms. Goreham seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

#### REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

**Mayor Report.** Mr. Welch bid farewell to those members going off Council. He noted that they had spent a lot of time together in this room and he believed they had accomplished much good for the community. He wished them well.

**President's Report.** Ms. Dauler thanked the Mayor and fellow Council members for being committed to civility and respect in working together. She also thanked the Manager and Assistant Managers and all the department heads. She said they were true professionals and she appreciated all the work they do.

**Staff Reports.** Mr. Fountaine thanked all of Council for their dedication and commitment to the community in making a difference to State College.

ANY OTHER MATTER

Mr. Daubert said the past 16 years on Council had been a major part of his life. He had attended over 1,000 Council meetings and over 1,000 ABC and Centre Region Council of Governments meetings. He was involved in many important projects such as the construction of this building, the library, and Fraser Centre. He said he learned that the work was rewarding and that he should never give in to the naysayers. He encouraged others to do what they are convinced is best for State College. This is the start of new Council and a new role for himself. He said he hoped that he would be allowed to serve again.

Mr. Humphrey said he had returned from an errand and traveled Fraser Street where he saw the remnants of old municipal building. It was a 100-year-old landmark that would reassert itself into a regional center. The process or the project took three years and through that process this Council had gotten to know several people with Susquehanna Real Estate. It was a fascinating project to watch from beginning to end. He added that serving on Council had been a great experience. He said he learned how well the Borough was run with outstanding staff. He concluded that he had enjoyed working with everyone.

Mr. Filippelli said that, as a remaining member of Council, he thanked those leaving Council for the superb public service. He said he had enjoyed serving with all the members.

Ms. Goreham echoed the sentiments of Mr. Filippelli and added that she had enjoyed the collegiality and will be using their knowledge for advisement in the future.

There being no further items of business, the 2006-2007 Council adjourned their final meeting at 3:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

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Cynthia S. Hanscom  
Assistant Borough Secretary