

Meeting Minutes
State College Borough Council
Work Session
November 21, 2008

The State College Borough Council met in a work session on Friday, November 21, 2008, in the State College Municipal Building, Room 304, 243 South Allen Street, State College, PA. Ms. Goreham called the meeting to order at noon.

Present: Elizabeth A. Goreham, President of Council
Ronald Filippelli
Donald M. Hahn
Theresa D. Lafer
Silvi Lawrence
Peter Morris
James L. Rosenberger

Also present: Thomas J. Fountaine, II, Borough Manager; Thomas S. Kurtz, Assistant Borough Manager; Roger A. Dunlap, Assistant Borough Manager; Mark A. Whitfield, Director of Public Works; Beth A. Johnston, Human Resources Director; Carl R. Hess, Planning Director; Michael S. Groff, Finance Director; Thomas R. King, Chief of Police; Norma J. Crater, Accounting Supervisor; Arthur Caccavale, Parking Manager; Ernest C. Dabiero, Purchasing Director/Risk Manager; Karen M. Martin, Assistant Parking Manager; Sheila Carl, Recording Secretary; members of the media; and other interested observers.

Public Hour. There were no members of the public wishing to speak.

2009 Operating Budget. Council was provided background information and reviewed the budgets for Administration, Regional Programs, Miscellaneous, Capital Projects Fund, and Parking.

Council discussed the cost of the ABC dinner and agreed the volunteers should be recognized but the recognition could possibly to be done with less cost.

Council discussed the salary for the Mayor for 2010–2013 term but reached no conclusion.

Council discussed membership fees in the National and Pennsylvania Municipal Leagues of Cities and the Council conference attendance budget. Council agreed this is an area where cutbacks could be made.

Council expressed some concerns about the impact the increased parking meter rates and extended enforcement hours could have on the Borough and businesses in the downtown. Judy Alessandrino, DID Executive Director, will be invited to attend a future Council meeting to share his thoughts on the changes.

Council questioned how the money donated to First Night is used. Rick Bryant was asked to attend a meeting to address Council's questions on this matter.

There being no further business, Council adjourned at 1:50 p.m. to an executive session to discuss personnel matters.

Respectfully submitted,

Cynthia S. Hanscom
Assistant Borough Secretary