

**Meeting Minutes**  
**State College Borough Council**  
**August 10, 2009**

The State College Borough Council met in special meeting on Monday, August 10, 2009, in the State College Municipal Building, 243 South Allen Street, Room 304, State College, PA. Mayor Welch called the meeting to order at 5:10 p.m.

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

Also present: Thomas J. Fountaine, II, Borough Manager; Thomas S. Kurtz, Assistant Manager for Community Service; Roger A. Dunlap, Assistant Manager for Budget & Administration; Carl R. Hess, Director of Planning; Thomas R. King, Chief of Police; Michael S. Groff, Finance Director; Mark A. Whitfield, Director of Public Works; Ernest A. Dabiero, Risk Manager/Purchasing Director; Beth Johnston, Director of Human Resources; Timothy Grattan, Director of Information Technology; Cynthia S. Hanscom, Assistant Borough Secretary; members of the media; and other interested observers.

**STRATEGIC PLANNING**

The purpose of the meeting was to continue through the strategic planning process. Debra Thompson, Strategy Solutions, was present to guide Council and staff through the process. Ms. Thompson explained that Council had met on May 13 and June 15 to come up with goals and objectives for the Borough. From that list, staff prepared action steps to meet those goals and objectives.

Council reviewed the list of action steps and discussed the financial impacts to the Borough. Council expressed concerns over many parts of the plan, including the amount of staff time involved in completing the objectives.

Council agreed to continue discussion of the plan at a later date with the goal at the next meeting to create a priority list and remove those items that were financially prohibitive.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Cynthia S. Hanscom  
Assistant Borough Secretary