

**Meeting Minutes**  
**State College Borough Council**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**Monday, May 16, 2011**  
**7:30 p.m.**

The State College Borough Council met on Monday, May 16, 2011, in the State College Municipal Building, 243 South Allen Street, Room 304, State College, PA. Mayor Goreham called the meeting to order at 7:31 p.m.

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

Also present: Thomas J. Fountaine, II, Borough Manager; Terry J. Williams, Solicitor; Carl R. Hess, Planning Director; Michael S. Groff, Finance Director; Mark A. Whitfield, Public Works Director; Norma Crater, Accounting Supervisor; Edward Holmes, Public Services Manager; Sharon K. Ergler, Assistant Borough Secretary; Thomas R. King, Chief of Police; Charles DeBow, Parking Manager; Courtney Hayden, AmeriCorps Volunteer; Brendan McNally, UPUA Representative; and interested members of the media and concerned residents.

**Public Hour.** There were no comments from the public.

**Proclamation.** Mayor Goreham presented a proclamation declaring May 15 thru May 21 as Emergency Medical Services Week to Centre Lifelink EMS Executive Director Scott Rawson, Paramedic Rich Rishel, and EMT Erin Stover.

### **ABC Report**

C-Net Report. Cynthia Hahn, C-NET Director, and Elaine Prestia, the Borough's representative on the C-NET Board, presented their annual report and briefly reviewed their 2010 highlights and the programs produced with the \$3,000 Community Programming Grant.

### **Consent Items**

Ms. Lawrence made a motion to recommend Council approve the consent items listed below. Mr. Rosenberger seconded the motion.

- Approve vouchers for the month of April in the amount of \$2,537,715.59.

- Accept the resignation of Kenneth Blythe, with regret, from the CDBG Citizens' Advisory Committee, effective immediately. Mr. Blythe is relocating to Maryland.
- Approve the use of Calder Alley between Locust Lane and McAllister Street for St. Paul's United Methodist Church vacation bible school from Sunday, June 19, through Thursday, June 23, between 5:30 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. each evening.
- Approve the minutes for the following meetings held in March and April 2011:

March 7, 2011	Regular Meeting
March 18, 2011	Work Session
March 21, 2011	Regular Meeting
April 4, 2011	Regular Meeting
April 11, 2011	Work Session
April 15, 2011	Work Session
April 18, 2011	Regular Meeting

- Approve the use of the Municipal Building lobby atrium to display banners from the Central PA Festival of the Arts beginning Monday, June 6, through Friday, July 22.

The motion passed unanimously.

### **General Policy and Administration**

CVS Conditional Use Permit Application at 1630 South Atherton Street. Mr. Hahn made a motion to schedule a public hearing for the conditional use permit application at the June 6 meeting. Mr. Filippelli seconded the motion.

A Council member raised a question about the conditional use and whether or not it affects the stream and the riparian buffer zone. Staff responded the applicant will have to show Council they have met all of the conditions set in the ordinance. Approval is a ministerial action of Council.

Council asked for the Planning Commission's (PC) comments; staff said when the PC comments are available, they will be made part of the record and presented at the hearing.

The motion passed unanimously.

### **Official Reports and Correspondence**

Mayor's Report. Mayor Goreham reminded everyone that tomorrow is Election Day and told everyone not to forget to vote! .

President's Report. Mr. Filippelli reported Council will recess to a work session to continue discussion of the 2012-2016 Capital Improvement Plan. He also reported that Council's May 20 work session has been cancelled.

## **Regional Liaison Reports**

Human Resources. Mr. Daubert said the Human Resources Committee met and discussed the difference between exempt and non-exempt employees. They also discussed changes in positions and the levels of two other positions.

Parks Capital. Mr. Rosenberger said the Parks Capital Committee met and discussed development of regional parks, including a plan to create a public fundraising campaign, which is still in the early stages of discussion. He also reminded everyone of the opening of Welch Pool, which will be held on Saturday, May 28, at 11:30 a.m.

Public Safety. Ms. Lawrence said the Public Safety Committee was a controversial meeting because they discussed the code amendment that deals with asking each of the municipalities to decide whether they want to make sprinklers part of new residential requirements. She said this would be sent to the COG General Forum meeting and referred to the municipalities for consideration. Centre LifeLink representatives made a presentation and asked to be the Centre Region's primary emergency provider. This also will be going to the COG General Forum and subsequently referred to each municipality for their consideration.

Public Services and Environmental. Mr. Morris said the Public Services and Environmental Committee met and discussed two items. The first dealt with the UAJA's ability to market beneficial reuse of water to refractors. The second topic was the Atherton Street Corridor Project and the need to coordinate the future repaving of Atherton Street.

Staff Reports. The Borough Manager reported that the 2010 Annual Report was mailed last week and should arrive in mailboxes over the weekend. Also, staff attended a PLCB hearing earlier today on the Borough's request to assume responsibility of the Noise Ordinance. Staff presented a petition and there was one resident who testified in favor of the Borough taking over the enforcement. A decision will be forthcoming from the PLCB in the next month or so. Lastly, bids were recently opened for the Fraser Street Realignment Project and were within budget so we anticipate PennDOT awarding the project in the near future. Staff said we would notify Council and the rest of the community as the project progresses.

Council members complimented staff on the excellent job they did on the Annual Report. The Manager said a variety of staff participated in getting the report done and with everyone's input it was an interesting publication.

Student Representative Report. Mr. McNally said UPUA's Government Affairs Committee recently organized a small voter registration drive. Although the drive was

not completed in time for the students to vote in tomorrow's primary elections, they will be able to vote in the general election in November. He wished all candidates the best of luck in tomorrow's election.

### **Items of Information**

Council recessed to a work session at 8:05 p.m. Mr. Filippelli called the work session to order at 8:06 p.m.

### **General Policy and Administration**

2012-2016 Capital Improvement Plan. Council discussed the Regional and Other Projects and Enterprise Funds sections of the CIP. Council expects to approve the CIP at its June 6 meeting.

There being no additional items to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Sharon K. Ergler  
Assistant Borough Secretary