

A regular meeting of Bloomsburg Town Council was held Monday, April 28, 2008, beginning at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers, Town Hall, 301 East Second Street, Bloomsburg, PA. Present were Mayor Dan Knorr; Council Members Paul Kinney, Paul Houseknecht, Kathy Shepperson, Diane Levan, Sylvia Costa and W. Carey Howell; Town Administrator Carol Mas; Code Enforcement/Zoning/ Planning Officer Ed Fegley and Office Assistant Amy Seamans.

2007 TREE CITY USA AWARD PRESENTATION

DCNR Bureau of Forestry Forester Robert Martynowych presented Shade Tree Commission members Ray Vought and Sylvia Costa and staff person Amy Seamans with a Tree City USA flag, hat, lapel pin, two “13 years” stickers and brass maple leaf for our plaque from the National Arbor Day Foundation. Mr. Martynowych expressed to the audience the advantages of having trees in our communities.

CITIZEN TO BE HEARD – KATHLENE RUSSELL – THE WOMEN’S CENTER, INC.

S. Costa reported that K. Shepperson, C. Howell and she toured the area in question regarding the garbage storage shed for the Women’s Center, Inc. On a motion by C. Howell, seconded by K. Shepperson and voted on Six (6) (C. Howell, K. Shepperson, D. Knorr, P. Houseknecht, D. Levan and S. Costa voting “Yes”) to One (1) (P. Kinney voting “No”), Council approved the Town Solicitor to draft an agreement between the Town and the Women’s Center, Inc. allowing the placement of the garbage storage shed along North Street. The agreement is to include the Snyders Run stormwater easement; a statement describing that this was approved due to their unique situation and the safety and security of their tenants; the agreement will not transfer with a change of ownership of the property and a section of fence be placed in front of the building when the new fence is installed. E. Fegley explained that Council was not approving or overturning the variance the Zoning Hearing Board denied but simply entering into an agreement with the Women’s Center.

BLOCK PARTY THANK YOU – MAYOR KNORR

Mayor Knorr read a prepared letter which will be published in the Press Enterprise thanking everyone involved with the Block Party event.

APPROVAL OF APRIL 14, 2008 COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

On a motion by P. Houseknecht, seconded by P. Kinney and voted on unanimously, Council approved the April 14, 2008 Council meeting minutes with one correction. On page 3, approval of Ninety (90) Day Time Extension – Shangrila Development Corporation – Irondale Road Housing Project – Land Development, the vote should be Six (6) (K. Shepperson, D. Levan, D. Knorr, P. Kinney, S. Costa and C. Howell voting “Yes”) to One (1) (P. Houseknecht voting “No”).

RESIGNATION ACCEPTANCE OF BONNIE GIRTON FROM HISTORIC ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD

On a motion by P. Kinney, seconded by D. Levan and voted on unanimously, Council accepted the resignation of Bonnie Girton with regret from the Historical Architectural Review Board.

APPROVAL OF CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS

On a motion by P. Kinney, seconded by P. Houseknecht and voted on unanimously, and on the recommendation of the Historic Architectural Review Board, Council approved a Certificate of Appropriateness for Willard Kile to re-point the brick façade at **204 East Street**.

On a motion by D. Levan, seconded by S. Costa and voted on unanimously, and on the recommendation of the Historic Architectural Review Board, Council approved a Certificate of Appropriateness for B & L Properties to construct a deck at the rear of **144 East Ridge Avenue**.

On a motion by D. Levan, seconded by P. Kinney and voted on unanimously, and on the recommendation of the Historic Architectural Review Board, Council approved a Certificate of Appropriateness for Lee and Valynn Boy to reconstruct the two-story enclosed porch and add an additional one-story enclosed porch at the rear of **434 Market Street**.

On a motion by P. Houseknecht, seconded by P. Kinney and voted on unanimously, and on the recommendation of the Historic Architectural Review Board, Council approved a Certificate of Appropriateness for the First Presbyterian Church to install a canopy over the walkway adjacent to the rear of the building located at **345 Market Street**.

On a motion by C. Howell, seconded by D. Levan and voted on unanimously, and on the recommendation of the Historic Architectural Review Board, Council approved a Certificate of Appropriateness for William Reilly to replace the porch railing and change a door to a window at **345 Catherine Street**.

On a motion by P. Kinney, seconded by P. Houseknecht and voted on unanimously, and on the recommendation of the Historic Architectural Review Board, Council approved a Certificate of Appropriateness for Charles and Patricia Yost to change the roof material on the north and south side porches at **249 Market Street** from metal/tin to standing seam metal.

On a motion by C. Howell, seconded by P. Kinney and voted on Six (6) (C. Howell, P. Kinney, D. Knorr, P. Houseknecht, K. Shepperson and S. Costa voting “Yes”) to One (1) (D. Levan voting “No”), Council denied the recommendation of the Historic Architectural Review Board to deny a Certificate of Appropriateness for the Columbia Alliance for Economic Growth to demolish the structure at **147 West Third Street**.

APPROVAL OF WAIVERS FOR BLOOMSBURG UNIVERSITY COMMUNITY GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION – 500 EAST SECOND STREET – LAND DEVELOPMENT

On a motion by D. Levan, seconded by S. Costa and voted on unanimously, and on the recommendation of the Planning Commission, Council approved the following waivers for Bloomsburg University Community Government Association’s land development plan at 500 East Second Street: from Section 502.1.K, 502.3 and Table 1, additional right-of-way widths and cartway widths should be provided for Elm Alley and East Pine Alley; from Section 503 and 705, curbing should be provided along the streets bordering the site and a curb detail should be provided on the plan for the area along east Pine Alley; from Section 504,604 and 706, sidewalks should be provided along the streets bordering the site, a sidewalk construction detail should be provided on the plan for the area from the main lot south to the corner of East Pine Alley and the area bordering East Pine Alley and sidewalks will be constructed from the main lot north to the northwest corner of the lot; and from Section 607.3.C, the proposed configuration of the southern parking area requires vehicles to back into East Pine Alley when exiting because this movement will obstruct the free flow of traffic within the street.

APPROVAL OF BLOOMSBURG UNIVERSITY COMMUNITY GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION LAND DEVELOPMENT PLAN WITH CONTINGENCIES

On a motion by S. Costa, seconded by D. Levan and voted on unanimously, and on the recommendation of the Planning Commission, Council approved Bloomsburg University Community Government Association’s land development plan to construct a parking lot at 500 East Second Street contingent upon the following: an Erosion and Sedimentation Control Plan is approved by the County Conservation District [402.3 and 508.1], showing the cartway width for Elm Alley [403.1.A.2.d], showing the Zoning District and setback information on the plan [403.1.A.2.f], the Certification of Ownership and Dedicatory

Statement being signed [403.1.A.2.s], the parking space dimensions being clarified on the plan [501.5 and ZO 801.3.B.2.c.2 and 607.2], providing proof of ADA Compliance for parking regulations [Section 22-607.4.A] and the portion of sidewalk that runs from the northwest corner of the lot north along east Second Street being reconstructed.

APPROVAL OF WAIVERS FOR BLOOMSBURG MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY – WASTE WATER TREATMENT PLANT ADDITIONS AND UPGRADES – 551 FORT MCCLURE BOULEVARD – LAND DEVELOPMENT

On a motion by D. Levan, seconded by P. Houseknecht and voted on unanimously and on the recommendation of the Planning Commission, Council approved the following waivers for the Bloomsburg Municipal Authority Waste Water Treatment Plant additions and upgrades land development plan at 551 Fort McClure Boulevard: from Section 22-403.1.A. and 22-404.C, financial security should be provided for all required improvements and a construction cost estimate should be provided; from Section 22-403.1.A.(2)(c) and 22-403.1.A.(2)(f), the property lines with bearings and distances, building setback lines, and lot area should be shown on the plan; from Section 22-403.1.A.(2)(e), the large area on Sheets 3 and 5 delineated by an assumed existing chain-link fence line style should be labeled and all existing features within this area should be shown on the plan; from Section 22-403.1.A.(2)(h) and 22-702, all existing and proposed survey monuments and markers found and to be set should be labeled on the plan; from Section 22-502.10.D.(1), 22-502.10.E.(1), 22-503., 22-703.1.E., and 22-705, the proposed access drive should have a width of 22 feet and be clearly defined by the use of curbing at its intersection with Eleventh Street and a curb detail should be provided on the plan and ten (10) foot curb radii should be provided at the intersection; from Section 22-502.10.H. and 22-703, the proposed access drive should be paved and a typical bituminous detail should be provided on the plan; from Section 22-502.10.F, proposed grading should be shown on the plan for the access drive; from Section 22-503, areas where curb is proposed should be called out on the plan and proposed curb radii dimensions should be shown on the plan; from Section 22-505.1, easements should be provided for all drainage facilities; and from Section 22-802.3.A, a stormwater analysis should be provided to control increases in peak discharge rates.

APPROVAL OF WAIVERS FOR BLOOMSBURG FLIERS – CONSTRUCTION OF T-HANGARS – BLOOMSBURG MUNICIPAL AIRPORT – LAND DEVELOPMENT

On a recommendation by P. Kinney, seconded by P. Houseknecht and voted on unanimously, and on the recommendation of the Planning Commission, Council approved the following waivers for the Bloomsburg Fliers t-hangar construction land development plan at the Bloomsburg Municipal Airport: from Section 404(D)(1)(a)(1), primary control points or descriptions and “ties” to such control points to which all dimensions, angles, bearings and similar data on the subdivision or land development plat shall be referred; from Section 404(D)(1)(a)(2), tract boundary lines, right-of-way lines of streets, easements and other right-of-way property lines of residential lots or parcels in unit, cooperative or condominium subdivisions and other sites with accurate dimensions, bearings or deflection angles and radii, arcs and central angles of all curves; from Section 404(D)(1)(a)(3), location of all survey monuments and all permanent reference monuments shown and described on the plat; and from Section 404(D)(1)(a)(20)(d), certificates of agreement to provide services from applicable utility companies.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:55pm.

CAROL L. MAS
Town Administrator & Secretary