

SPECIAL MEETING
December 17, 2008
7:00 P.M.
NOTES

President Rapp called the special meeting/work session to order. Members present were: Mr. Rapp, Mr. Capuano, Mr. Blatt, Ms. Halleman, Mr. Grotenhuis, Ms. Gifford, and Mr. Trotter. Others: Mayor Ned Fink; Ms. Barbara Merkle, Acting Executive Secretary, Mr. Timothy Stephens, Chief of Police, Joe Gatta, Code Enforcement Officer.

President Rapp reviewed the Agenda items to be considered at the January 5, 2009 Council Meeting.

- Minutes of December 1, 2008-DRAFT- Mr. Blatt spoke with Barbara Merkle regarding any corrections prior to Meeting.
- 2009 Proposed Budget was on display for public for the last ten days. Ms. Gifford made a motion to accept 2009 Budget. The motion was seconded by Mr. Grotenhuis and passed by unanimous voice vote.
- Ordinance 739 – Setting of tax millage at 11.25 mills. Mr. Trotter made a motion to adopt Ordinance 739. The motion was seconded by Mr. Capuano and passed by unanimous voice vote.
- Mr. Joseph Gatta requested that the Borough change inspectors from Codemaster to Keystone Code Consulting. Mr. Gatta explained that Codemaster does a good job, but they are over-loaded and the turn around time is too long.
- Resolution Regarding New Zoning Ordinance for Borough of Fountain Hill.

Ms. Gifford, Mayor Fink and President Rapp will be going around the Borough on Tuesday, December 23, 2008 to judge the property owners Christmas lights.

Mayor Fink stated that he went to the COG meeting and gave out literature regarding the Borough purchasing their street lights. Council can read the literature and make a decision if they are interested.

Mayor Fink advised that Air Products will build a hydrogen station and let people piggy-back on the hydrogen station.

Mayor Fink advised that there is going to be a change in the EIT Tax collection. There will be 2 COG meetings next month. The one meeting they would like the tax collector and the Borough Manager or Executive to attend. Tax Collector Diane Allen along with Mayor Fink will attend the meeting.

President Rapp told Council that the security cameras are installed in the lobby. The window at the Tax Collectors office has been made more secure.

Mr. Grotenhuis discussed the meeting he held with the Fire Committee. He asked that if at a fire, if there were not enough volunteers, could the police or Public Works employees come to the scene to help with things like carrying ladders, but not fight the fire. A discussion ensued as to what would happen if a Police Officer or a Public Works employee would get injured. Mr. Grotenhuis also wanted to know if the Fire car can leave the Borough. President Rapp stated that it could not leave the Borough. A discussion ensued whether it was an insurance liability to have the car leave the Borough. Mr. Grotenhuis would like somebody to check into the fact if it is an

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insurance liability and put this on the January agenda as to whether the Fire car can leave the Borough...

Mr. Rapp adjourned the meeting to an Executive Session on a personnel matter and would not be back. The time was 7:20PM.