

**MUNICIPALITY OF GERMANTOWN COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF WORK SESSION HELD FEBRUARY 2, 2009**

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The Municipality of Germantown Council met in work session on Monday, February 2, 2009 at 8:46 p.m. in the Municipal Building Council Chambers.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

The following members were present: Mayor Theodore Landis; Mrs. Jeanne Gentry, Mr. Scott Johnson, Mr. Terry Johnson, Mr. Jim Lawson, Mr. Robert McClain, and Mr. Ed Schwaberow.

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

None.

**ALSO PRESENT:**

Also present were Tom Schiff, Law Director; Anna M. Sizemore, Assistant Village Manager/Clerk of Council and one visitor.

**VETERANS MUSEUM:**

Mr. David Shortt discussed the new United States Armed Forces Museum at 123 S. Main Street. He is wanted to display the local Veterans items. He is planning to start this project as soon a possible.

Mr. Shortt stated that the local drug dealer is no longer in the area. He wanted to thank the Police Department for their excellent work.

Mr. Terry Johnson thanked Mr. Shortt for bringing this museum to the community. He is looking forward to visiting the museum.

Mayor Landis stated he feels that this is a great idea.

Mr. Gentry stated her husband was a Veteran and she is thankful that Mr. Shortt will keep this history preserved.

Mr. David Shortt stated there are many possibilities with the museum. He would like to be involved in the schools.

Mr. McClain stated this would hopefully draw more people here to Germantown.

Mr. McClain questioned if Mr. Shortt would charge admission to the museum.

Mr. Shortt stated the museum would be non-profit and there would not be a charge to view the exhibits. The hours at first would be only weekends and holidays.

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Mr. Shortt stated this project must come together quickly; our WWII Veterans are leaving us at an alarming rate. We need to gather the information from them to make sure it does not die with them.

Mr. McCain suggested that Mr. Shortt visit the local library for more information.

Mrs. Gentry stated she would help as much as she could gather information from her husband.

**PARK OVERSIGHT:**

Mr. McClain questioned if the Village would charge to process park invoices.

Mrs. Sizemore stated she did not feel that the Village should charge.

Mrs. Scott Johnson agreed that the Village should not charge to process the park invoices.

Mrs. Sizemore stated the pool company has gone up in price.

Mrs. Sizemore stated that Valley View would be in school until June 10<sup>th</sup> and Farmersville would be in school until June 11<sup>th</sup>.

Mrs. Sizemore questioned if the pool should close when the kids are out of school or wait until Labor Day Weekend.

Mr. Lawson stated he feels that it is a waste of time if the pool closes when the kids go back to school and then re-open for Labor Day.

Mrs. Sizemore stated that the Village normally paid for the lifeguard swimsuits, but it would be much cheaper if the lifeguards purchased their swimsuits on their own.

Mr. Schwaberow questioned how many swimsuits each lifeguard needed.

Mrs. Sizemore stated last year each lifeguard received two swimsuits each plus t-shirts, and hats were purchased.

Mr. Lawson stated the Gators were to buy pool passes this season. The Gators have been resistant to buying passes over the past few years.

Mr. Terry Johnson stated it was policy for the Gators to purchase pool passes.

Mr. Schwaberow stated that the Gators need to be aware that they will be required to purchase pool passes this season.

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Mr. Terry Johnson stated pool passes for the Gators would be brought up at the next Pool Board Meeting.

**COMMUNITY HARVEST CHURCH:**

Mrs. Sizemore questioned the land swap with the Community Harvest Church.

Mayor Landis stated nothing has been finalized.

Mr. Schwaberow stated it may need to be discussed with the Village Engineer.

Mayor Landis stated the cost of the site for the water tower was being discussed.

Mrs. Sizemore stated she attended a meeting with Randy and it was determined to be a land swap, and she was not sure that Council approved the land-swap.

Mrs. Sizemore stated she may need to start over with the entire process.

Mrs. Sizemore stated the bid did not go out for the water tower. Tom Borck stated he was waiting to hear about the stimulus funds.

**NATIONAL INSPECTION REPORT:**

Mr. Terry Johnson questioned the status of the report from NIC and property issues that are not resolved.

Mr. Terry Johnson stated he would like to take NIC for a drive to prove that the issues have not been resolved first hand.

Mrs. Gentry agreed that the issues on the NIC report were not resolved.

Mrs. Sizemore asked the Council to express their concerns on the report itself and return it to her.

Mr. Lawson stated he would like NIC evaluated in the spring and consider looking into someone else handling the property maintenance issues for the Village.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mr. Terry Johnson moved to adjourn the work session.

The work session was adjourned at 9:22 p.m.

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Respectfully Submitted,

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Kelli R. Sanders-Novak  
Clerk of Council

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Theodore E. Landis  
Mayor