

**PUBLIC COMMUNICATION COMMITTEE
MINUTES
January 21, 2010**

The meeting of the Public Communication Committee was called to order at 8:30 p.m. by Chairman Barry Christman. Committee members present in addition to Mr. Christman were Keith Endy, Gene Gabel, and ex-officio member Frank Deery.

Also present were Council members Terry Mest, and Lori Carnes; Patricia Spaide, Borough Manager, and a concerned citizen.

A motion to approve the minutes of the December 23, 2009 meeting of the committee was made by Mr. Endy, seconded by Mr. Gabel, and approved.

Unfinished Business

There was no unfinished business to conduct.

New Business

Mr. Christman discussed with the committee his thoughts concerning public communication on matters which are under review by Council and matters on which Council has made a decision. Mr. Christman stated that he would like to meet with the editor of the Boyertown Times on a quarterly basis to provide her with information on matters of importance to the Borough. Mr. Christman further stated that he would like direction from committee members concerning what topics they would like him to emphasize. Some members of the committee and council felt that quarterly meetings might not be adequate. Further discussion will be held on this subject.

It was noted that the February meeting of the Public Works, Utilities and Communications Committees is scheduled for Tuesday, February 16th because Wednesday, February 17th is Ash Wednesday. It was further noted that the Park and Recreation Board are also scheduled to meet on Tuesday, February 16th. Following discussion, the committee agreed to recommend that Council authorize the Borough Manager to change the Public Works, Utilities and Communications Committee Meetings from Tuesday, February 16th to Wednesday, February 17th. This matter will be on the agenda of the February 1st meeting of Council.

Other Comments

There being no further business to conduct a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 p.m. was made by Mr. Christman and seconded by Mr. Endy. The next meeting of the Public Communication Committee is scheduled for Tuesday, February 16th; however, assuming Council approval the meeting will be rescheduled to Wednesday, February 17th, at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia A. Spaide
Borough Secretary