

Redevelopment Authority (cont.)

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Street to Clay Street, and on Bridge Street from Essex Street to Front Street in Marietta. A total of \$109,800 from FY 1978 CD funds have been appropriated to this project. Bids were opened on October 9, for the work to be completed under the FY 78 project. The low bidder for the first two sections was Genavise, Inc. of Harrisburg and the low bidder for the third section was Rogele, Inc. of Lancaster. The Redevelopment Authority has allocated a total of \$39,444 from FY 1979 CD funds for Phase II of this project which will continue the renovation of the existing storm sewer system. At its December 4, 1979 meeting the Board approved a contract with Marietta Borough for the construction activities to be undertaken with the FY 1979 allocation.

Marietta Community Recreation Center—At its December 1978 meeting the Board approved a contract with the Marietta Jaycees for \$29 thousand to continue with the rehabilitation of this centrally located facility in the Borough of Marietta which will be used as a community center. In particular, these funds will provide for a feasibility study, engineering plans and specifications, and the replacement of the present roof. With the completion of

the roof reconstruction by Quality Roofing Company of Mechanicsburg and the completion of the feasibility study by deVitry, Gilbert and Bradley all work on this project has been completed. The Redevelopment Authority has allocated a total of \$40,000 from FY 1979 CD funds to continue improvements to the center through the construction of a gymnasium. The Lancaster County Planning Commission is currently undertaking the environmental review for this project. This review is expected to be completed by January 31, 1980.

Restoration of the Union Meeting House—The project will include the exterior restoration of the Marietta Union Meeting House to its original architectural design. Restoration will enable the building to be utilized by the community for church services, choral presentations, club functions, and presentation of special events. Eighteen thousand dollars from FY 1978 CD funds will be used for interior preservation work including plastering, chimney work, and other minor improvements. Bids were opened in September and the low bidder was the firm of Toews, Ayres, and Huber, Inc. Because the low bid was in excess of the amount allocated a change order was passed by the

Board at its September meeting restricting the work required to the exterior improvements. At its October 23, 1979 meeting the Board approved the transfer of \$11,000 from Local Option Contingency Funds to this project for the construction of a retaining wall. During this report period work progressed on schedule. One half of the roof and part of the south wall has been removed and the repairing and reinforcing of the structure has begun. The Redevelopment Authority has allocated a total of \$24,000 from FY 1979 CD funds to prepare the interior woodwork for finish painting, install restroom facilities and patch and repair the mezzanine floor.

Marietta Floodplain Natural Area—A total of \$27,000 from FY 1979 CD funds will be used by Marietta Borough to acquire 27 acres of floodplain land along the Susquehanna River to be preserved as a natural area for public use. At its December 4, 1979 meeting, the Board approved a contract with the Borough of Marietta for the purchase of this land.

CONOY TOWNSHIP
Bainbridge Landing Park—Funds will provide for the acquisition of land along the Susquehanna River and the construction of a canal walk bridge, in the village of

Bainbridge. In general, the project will provide safe public access to the river, which is otherwise not available to this community. The Redevelopment Authority has allocated \$4,200 of FY 1978 Community Development funds to this project. The project is "on hold" until questions concerning ownership of the land are clarified.

Haldeman Mansion Preservation—This is a multi-year project to provide for the elimination of blighting influences to this historic building located in the Village of Locust Grove, Conoy Township. To date, about 50% of the exterior of the building has been repointed, work on the outbuildings is progressing, the foundation for the bake oven is poured, replacement mill work has been ordered, openings in the wall have been filled and sketches for the hardware replacement are done. The Redevelopment Authority has allocated \$58,000 from FY 1978 CD funds to the Haldeman Society to undertake this project. An additional \$25 thousand will be provided by the J.F. Baker Company of York, Pa. The project was bid in July and the low bidder was Wickersham, Inc. of Lancaster, but due to the fact that the bid was higher than anticipated, there is still a question as to the start-up date for this project. At its December 4, 1979 meeting, the Board approved a contract for \$36,000 from FY 1979 CD funds with the Haldeman Mansion Preservation Society, Inc. to complete the masonry work and install burglar and fire alarms.

ELIZABETHTOWN BORO

Child Care Outreach—The Elizabethtown Child Care Outreach Program offers a daily program which provides opportunities to develop physically, emotionally, socially, and mentally for approximately 20 children. The Redevelopment Authority has allocated a total of \$35,000 from FY 1978 CD funds and a total of \$33,125 from FY 1979 CD funds to continue the operation of this program. During the last four months, this program has served an average of 24 children, 87% of which are from low and moderate income families. To date, a total of \$9,178.76 has been spent from the FY 1978 allocation, none of the FY 1979 allocation will be spent until the FY 79 funds are depleted.

Donegal-Elizabethtown Area Training Center Study—The Redevelopment Authority has allocated \$5,000

from FY 1979 CD funds to provide for a feasibility study of the possible establishment of a vocational training center for the handicapped to be located in Region I. A contract with the Elizabethtown Area Unit, of the Lancaster Association for Retarded Citizens for this project will be presented to the Board at its regular January meeting.

COLUMBIA BOROUGH

Columbia Contraceptive Clinic—This is a continuation of a second year program which provides alternative counseling, contraceptive supplies, and professional services to women of child-bearing age in the Columbia Neighborhood Strategy Area. The Board of the Redevelopment Authority approved a contract allocating \$11,000 from fiscal year 1979 funds to provide financial assistance to Planned Parenthood of Lancaster to operate this clinic. The clinic has served an average of 25 clients per month over the last four months. Of this group, 82% were low and moderate

income persons. To date \$426.51 has been spent from the FY 1979 allocation.

Downtown Columbia Revitalization Plan-A total of \$25,000 from FY 1979 CD funds has been allocated to the Columbia Area Improvements, Inc. to enable them to obtain consulting assistance in formulating plans for the revitalization of the historic Lower-Locust Street area of Columbia's business district. At its September meeting, the Board of the Redevelopment Authority approved a resolution authorizing the transfer of \$25,000 from Local Option Contingency Funds to this project. The additional funds became necessary when it was determined that the consulting assistance would cost more than originally anticipated. Columbia Area Improvements, Inc. has accepted a proposal from the American City Corporation to provide the consulting assistance that is needed to undertake this revitalization. To date, a total of \$7,000 from the total allocation of \$50,000 has been expended.

Highlights (cont.)

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ors; Gerald Hessler was elected auditor; and Melvin Dietz won as constable.


Elected to the Donegal School Board were: Robert F. Eshleman, Dale Arnold, Ron Melleby, and Patricia Eicherly.

November 21. J. Robert Flanagan asks for recount of vote for constable in Marietta.

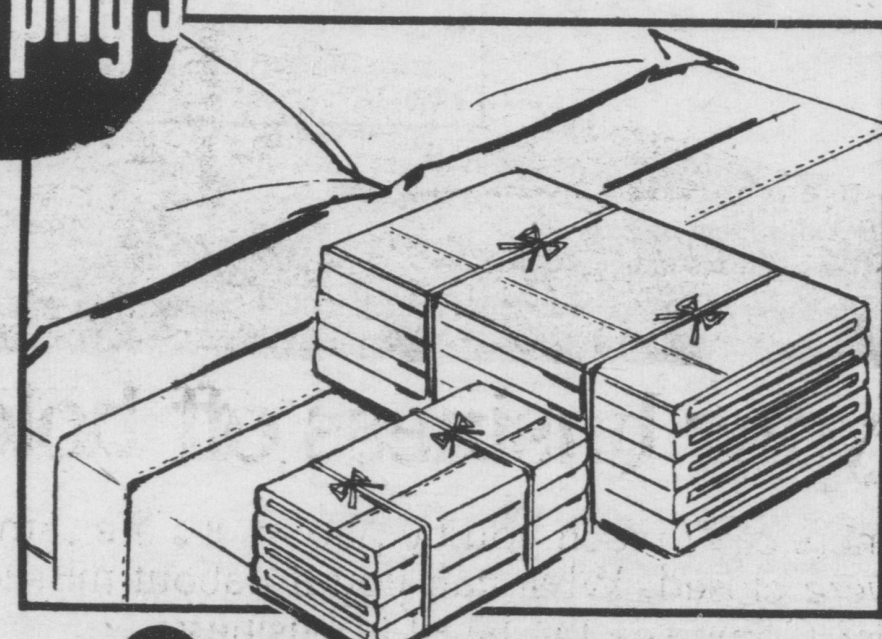
December 5. Marietta Candlelight Tour a success.

December 12. Mount Joy Borough Council approves record budget of \$551,365, increases refuse collection rate.

December 19. East Donegal lowers budget for 1978. Met Ed officials meet with people in Maytown. Congressman Walker meets with citizens, including Sons of Satan, in Marietta.



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