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August 2, 2016

The monthly meeting of the Elverson Borough Council was held on Tuesday, August 2, 2016 and called to order at 7:00 PM by Merle Stoltzfus who led the Pledge of Allegiance and Prayer.

ATTENDANCE:

Merle Stoltzfus, Jack Stewart, Bob French, Dwight Frizen, Doug Hoskins, Bob Broderick, Lori Kolb, Secretary / Treasurer. Absent: Esther Prosser.

Also in attendance: Mark Stabolepszy, SSM Group, Carol Ruffner, Resident.

APPOINTMENT OF COUNCIL PRESIDENT THROUGH JANUARY 2017

Jack Stewart made a motion to appoint Merle Stoltzfus as Council President, seconded by Doug Hoskins. Motion carried by all.

APPOINTMENT OF COUNCIL VICE PRESIDENT

Doug Hoskins made a motion to appoint Bob French as Council Vice President, seconded by Jack Stewart. Motion carried by all.

MINUTES:

Motion was made by Doug Hoskins and seconded by Dwight Frizen to accept the July 2016 minutes as submitted. Motion carried by all.

TREASURERS REPORT:

Motion was made by Dwight Frizen and seconded by Bob French to accept the August 2016 Treasurers Report and pay bills as presented. Motion carried by all.

BUDGET 2017:

Merle spoke about past years budget planning. Merle expressed appreciation to Doug Hoskins for his work in preparing a draft for the 2017 budget. Merle requested that Council review the draft and respond to Doug with changes.

BUILDING, GROUNDS, STREETS AND LIGHTS:

Bob French mentioned he plans to meet with the electrician about options for brighter lighting and emergency lighting for the meeting room. Bob is hopeful that the meeting room will be ready for use by September.

Dwight Frizen mentioned there were concerns expressed by a few residents in regard to the appearance of the micro-surfacing work. Mark Stabolepszy explained that over time, the micro-surfacing will begin to look better. Dwight asked Mark how long the job is warranted by Asphalt Paving, Mark said one year.

Merle Stoltzfus mentioned there was a concern from a resident for the road conditions on some areas of Park Avenue. Doug Hoskins said Park Avenue was scheduled for overlay work in 2018. Mark suggested that the schedule for road work to be done on Park Avenue could be changed.

LOCAL SERVICES:

Council reviewed the state police report.

Jack Stewart made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2016-5 to designate Barclay Hargreaves as the Borough's agent for Snow Storm Reimbursement Project RJS020, seconded by Bob French. Motion carried by all.

PARKING STUDY:

Council discussed the parking study submitted by SSM Group. Merle mentioned Council should keep in mind that the recommendations included in the study could be done over a period of time based on a determination for need. No changes were suggested for parking at this time.

ZONING

Council reviewed the Kraft Code Services report.

MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY:

Jack Stewart reported on the topics from the Municipal Authorities Meeting. Jack mentioned the contracts were awarded for the Lagoon Closure work.

Doug Hoskins made a motion to appoint Lori Sifford as a board member of the Municipal Authority of the Borough of Elverson, to complete Mike Powpow's unexpired term through January of 2017, seconded by Bob French. Motion carried by all.

ZONING / SALDO UPDATE:

Dwight reported that the Zoning and SALDO Committee has gone over definitions, and are currently working on subdivision.

NEW BUSINESS:

Council discussed a request for permission to fly a drone at Livingood Park.

Jack Stewart made a motion to take the advice of the Borough's insurance company, and disallow a drone to be flown in Livingood Park, seconded by Doug Hoskins. Motion carried, 4-1, Dwight abstained.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Dwight Frizen made a motion to appoint Carol Ruffner as a Council Member to serve, in place of resigned Council Member, Shirley Crehan, until January 2018, seconded by Doug Hoskins, Motion carried, 4-1, Jack Stewart opposed.

Carol Ruffner was sworn in by Mayor Bob Broderick as a new appointed Council Member.

Jack Stewart mentioned the dates for Trash Bid advertising, and bid opening are planned for September.

ADJORNMENT:

Doug Hoskins made a motion to adjourn, motion seconded by Carol Ruffner. Motion carried by all. Meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori Kolb
Secretary / Treasurer