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August 5, 2014

The monthly meeting of the Elverson Borough Council was held on Tuesday, August 5, 2014 and called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Council Vice President, Merle Stoltzfus led Council in the Pledge of Allegiance and in prayer.

ATTENDANCE:

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

Also in attendance: Mark Stabolepszy, SSM Group, Barclay Hargreaves, EMC

MINUTES:

Motion was made by Doug Hoskins and seconded by Bob French to accept the minutes as submitted, motion carried by all.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Discussion took place on the Heilner invoices. Quarterly Payroll Taxes are paid and up-to-date. Subdivision Accounts were distributed. A six month Budget Report – January to June 2014 was presented and finally, the Liquid Fuels Audit – July 22nd, was discussed. Motion was made by Jack Stewart and seconded by Bob French to accept report and pay bills as presented, motion carried by all.

PERSONS TO BE HEARD:

None

PRESIDENTS REPORT:

Clean Water Act: Motion was made by Jack Stewart to Adopt Resolution No. 2014-5, Opposing the Expansion of Federal Control Under the Clean Water Act, motion was seconded by Doug Hoskins, motion carried by all.

Vacuum at Borough Hall - Council agreed a new vacuum, for a reasonable price, could be purchased for Borough Hall.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Merle Stoltzfus discussed the requirement for obtaining a permit for repairs and renovations – Council determined there is not a need for a permit for a roof repair. Doug Hoskins made a motion to record in minutes of this meeting, August 5th, 2014, that Elverson Borough does not require a permit for a replacement or repair of a roof, motion seconded by Jack Stewart, motion carried by all.

Letter from LVCIL – Community Accessibility Program – Merle Stoltzfus explained the content of the letter and requested that Council review.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR:

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Barclay Hargreaves discussed the safe schools plan, which involves a review of safety procedures in place for local schools that will be completed by a committee of multiple emergency organizations. County sent a questionnaire regarding the Hazard Mitigation Plan. Barclay asked Council if they had anything to add regarding any areas of concern for future possible mitigation projects. Council had no concerns at this time.

MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY:

Jack Stewart attended the Municipal Authority's meeting and mentioned there was discussion about their budget. Jack also mentioned that the Municipal Authority did not get the grant to close the lagoons.

HISTORIC COMMISSION:

Nothing to report

BUILDING, GROUNDS, STREETS & LIGHTS:

Eagle Disposal Contract – Doug Hoskins explained the plan to extend the Eagle Disposal Contract, which expires December 31, 2014. The extended contract will be valid from January 1, 2015, for 2 years and will expire on December 31, 2016. The new rate for 2015 will be \$17.85 per month or \$214.20 per year. The new rate for 2016 will be \$17.95 per month or \$215.40 per year. Motion was made by Bob French to extend the contract with Eagle Disposal and seconded by Esther Prosser, motion carried by all.

Proposal for tree work at Livingood Park – Doug Hoskins presented a proposal from Heilner's Landscaping Company for tree work at Livingood Park. Doug Hoskins made a motion to accept the proposal for tree work to be done at Livingood Park, motion seconded by Jack Stewart, motion carried by all.

Boiler at Borough Hall – Merle Stoltzfus presented an estimate for replacing the boiler at Borough Hall. Bob French will get additional quotes.

PennDot Repairs on Main Street – Merle Stoltzfus mentioned that PennDot did the repairs on Main Street. Merle stated he is working on arranging a meeting with PennDot and other Representatives regarding this repair and other storm water concerns.

Bob French mentioned we should consider repairing the parking lot at Borough Hall. It was determined that further discussion on this topic will be done at the September Council meeting.

Doug Hoskins inquired about completing repairs of the ditch on Park Avenue. It was determined it will not be completed until next year.

Bob Broderick said he met someone from USTA (United States Tennis Association). Bob Broderick met with the USTA representative at the courts at Livingood Park and discussed additional uses for the area. Council discussed the need for funds to maintain the courts. Doug Hoskins suggested, due to safety concerns, Council should make a motion to close the courts until repairs can be done. Doug Hoskins made a motion to close the tennis courts at Livingood Park and to post a sign to advise the courts are closed until repairs can be made, motion seconded by Bob French, motion carried by all.

ZONING OFFICER:

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Merle Stoltzfus suggested that Jack Stewart arrange a meeting with Kraft regarding their billing. Merle said he will plan to attend the meeting along with Jack.

PLANNING COMMISSION:

Merle Stoltzfus reported about his discussion from Chester County Planning Commission on the update of ordinances. Merle said he spoke to Carol Stauffer regarding doing both the subdivision and zoning ordinance at the same time.

ENGINEERING:

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Discussion by Merle Stoltzfus, Jack Stewart and Mark Stabolepszy on the Elverson Borough Stormwater Management Ordinance No. 2014-1, what it includes and the effects on properties.

Motion was made by Doug Hoskins to adopt the Elverson Borough Stormwater Management Ordinance No. 2014-1, motion seconded by Bob French, motion carried by all.

Motion was made by Bob French to adopt the Elverson Borough Stormwater Management Resolution No. 2014-4 , motion seconded by Doug Hoskins, motion carried by all.

Jack Stewart made a motion to authorize Mark Stabolepszy to send a copy of the SALDO amendment to the Elverson Borough Planning Commission for review, motion seconded by Bob French, motion carried by all.

Mark Stabolepszy reviewed his proposal to assist the Borough with the Street Sign inventory. Jack Stewart mentioned he is in the process of waiting for an additional proposal. Merle Stoltzfus suggested that Neighborhood Watch assist with counting the signs.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Esther Prosser mentioned that the August newsletters were mailed out and the last movie night at the park is Friday night, August 8th, 2014.

TREE COMMISSION:

Esther Prosser requested that George Summer be placed on the September agenda to report on recommendations regarding what can be done to save the ash trees.

EMERGENCY SERVICES:

Merle Stoltzfus attended a meeting with members of the Twin Valley Fire Department regarding replacing a fire truck. They discussed the specifications for the new fire truck that will be purchased to replace an existing fire truck.

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH:

Nothing to report

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Pedestrian Crossing Signs – Bob watts is working on paperwork

NEW BUSINESS:

Bob Broderick – Topic of tennis court repairs was discussed earlier in the meeting, under the category building, grounds, streets and lights.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

None

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion made by Jack Stewart and seconded by Doug Hoskins to adjourn, motion carried by all.
Meeting adjourned at 8:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori Kolb
Secretary/Treasurer