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September 2, 2014

The monthly meeting of the Elverson Borough Council was held on Tuesday, September 2, 2014 and called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Council Vice President, Merle Stoltzfus, who led the Pledge of Allegiance and in Prayer.

ATTENDANCE:

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

Also in attendance: Mark Stabolepszy, SSM Group, Glen Kraft, Kraft Code Services, Joe Boulanger, Kraft Code Services, George Summer, Angie Facciolo and Gary Stoltzfus.

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:

Motion was made by Dwight Frizen and seconded by Jack Stewart to accept report and pay bills as presented, motion carried by all.

Council discussed recommendation by liquid fuels auditor to combine fund into one account.

PERSONS TO BE HEARD:

Gary Stoltzfus, an Elverson Borough resident, presented Council with a picture of a garage he would like to build on his property on Brick Lane. Gary turned the discussion over to Merle Stoltzfus who explained the zoning for Gary's property. Merle Stoltzfus felt Council had no problem with the project and recommended that Gary go to Zoning Board with his plans to build a garage.

George Summer discussed the devastating effects that the emerald ash borer infestation can have on the Ash Trees in Pennsylvania. George provided Council Members with a Management Plan of the EAB and an inventory of the Ash Trees in Elverson Borough. George presented statistics explaining the use of a chemical treatment over a 10 year period, at an approximate cost of \$16,000, to prevent infestation of the Ash Trees, would be less costly than replacing the trees, should they become infested. Merle Stoltzfus mentioned that Council will review when planning the 2015 budget.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Council Meeting adjourned for and executive session at 7:40 to discuss Personnel and Contract Services, Council meeting resumed at 8:23.

MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY:

Merle Stoltzfus informed Council Members that they were invited to attend the Municipal Authority's meeting on October 28th regarding insurance company research.

BUILDING, GROUNDS, STREETS & LIGHTS:

Doug Hoskins discussed the signage and lines painted at intersection of Main Street and South Pine. Mark Stabolepszy explained what could be done with the lines at the intersection. Council discussed a possible change in signs for truck traffic. Mark Stabolepszy suggested getting quotes for lines to be painted as discussed. Doug Hoskins made a motion to authorize Mark Stabolepszy to get quotes for painting the new lines, motion was seconded by Dwight Frizen. Motion carried by all.

Doug Hoskins mentioned that there were concerns with keys to the Boy Scout Meeting room and scheduling for use of the room.

Bob French mentioned he received three quotes to replace the boiler at Borough Hall. Bob would like to review and compare the quotes before discussing with Council at the October meeting.

BOROUGH EVENT PLANNING:

Esther announced the Halloween Parade will be October 15th at 7:00 PM and the theme is "Down on the Farm"

ZONING OFFICER:

Report in folder

ENGINEERING:

Mark Stabolepszy mentioned the certification for the storm water ordinance was sent to DEP. Mark inquired about the sign inventory proposal he had previously presented to Council and Merle Stoltzfus explained that the Neighborhood Watch Committee was willing to assist with the inventory. Merle said he would be meeting with Jay Fetterman regarding the inventory.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Esther mentioned the September Newsletters were sent out.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Council determined that Merle Stoltzfus, Shirley Crehan and Doug Hoskins will form a budget committee.

NEW BUSINESS:

Merle Stoltzfus mentioned our ordinance requires a permit application for solicitation in the Borough. A new form would need to be provided by our solicitor.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

None

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion made by Jack Stewart and seconded by Bob French to adjourn, motion carried by all. Meeting adjourned at 8:57 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori Kolb Secretary/Treasurer