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The monthly meeting of the Elverson Borough Council held on April 7, 2026, and called to order at 7:03 PM by Council President, Dennis Kurtz who led the Pledge of Allegiance and Prayer.

ATTENDANCE:

Council Members: Dennis Kurtz, Thomas Feeley, Mike Trojecki, Laura Pennza, Julie Duffy, Jon Mountz, Turner Stoltzfus, Mayor Cindy Franchitti and Secretary/Treasurer, Lorrie Stolz

Also in attendance: Greg Philips, PP&O; Joe Boulanger, Kraft Municipal Group; Lisa Palser, Parks, Rec., and Trails Committee; Justin Horrocks; Esther Prosser; Kelly Quigg, Chester Co. Library; Jeff Green, TVBA; Katerina Skartsila; Jeff Horrocks; Barclay Hargreaves.

Dennis Kurtz announced that prior to tonight's Council meeting, Council held an Executive Session to discuss potential litigation.

MINUTES:

Motion made by Julie Duffy and seconded by Tom Feeley accept the March 3, 2026, Council meeting minutes as submitted. Motion carried by all.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Kelly Quigg from the Chester County Library Henrietta Hankin Branch discussed National Library Week which is April 19th – 25th. Kelly asked Council to sign a Proclamation honoring National Library Week.

Motion made by Julie Duffy seconded by Turner Stoltzfus to accept Proclamation for National Library Week for the Chester County Library. Motion carried by all.

Jeff Green with Twin Valley Baseball Association discussed that they would like to add a batting cage to right foul field of the lower ballfield at Livingood Park. Motion made by Mike Trojecki seconded by Tom Feeley to approve adding the batting cages to the lower ballfield. Motion carried by all.

Jeff also mentioned there are weeds in the lower field and asked what the rules are regarding applying weed kill in that area. Tom Feeley requested they use an all-natural weed killer opposed to chemicals. Jeff mentioned that opening day is this Saturday, April 11th, there will be two games at Livingood.

Esther Prosser discussed the Elverson Borough Newsletter. Esther requested Council members send her information for the newsletter, the deadline for submissions is April 21st. Esther also discussed the Elverson Yard Sale which will be held on Saturday, May 16th, and Elverson Day which will be held on Saturday, June 27th. Esther mentioned there is a committee of people who take care of the flowerpots along Main Street and they are willing to continue again this year.

Katerina Skartsila stated she is on the Historic Commission and inquired about when the Historical Commission meets; Dennis stated he would discuss this with her after tonight's meeting.

TREASURERS REPORT:

Motion made by Laura Pennza and seconded by Jonathon Mountz to accept the Treasurers Report and pay the bills as presented. Motion carried by all.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Dennis Kurtz discussed a property complaint the Borough received regarding the property at 30 N. Chestnut St. Dennis suggested the Zoning Officer do a site visit and report back to Council and advise Council what the violations are and give Council the opportunity to reach out to the homeowner to discuss the situation.

PRESIDENTS REPORT:

Dennis Kurtz stated the EHBEMS is starting an advisory committee and would like each municipality that they serve to appoint someone to serve on this committee. Motion made by Jonathan Mountz seconded by Turner Stoltzfus to appoint Lorrie Stolz to serve on this committee. Motion carried by all.

Dennis discussed that Council needs to appoint a Council member as their Voting Delegate at the 2026 Annual PSAB Conference. Dennis stated Julie will be attending this conference and recommended Council appoint her as their Voting Delegate. Motion made by Laura Pennza and seconded by Tom Feeley to appoint Julie Duffy as the Voting Delegate for Elverson Borough at the 2026 PSAB Annual Conference. Motion carried by all.

Dennis Kurtz discussed Resolution No. 2026-05, Authorization to accept constructed skate park at Livingood Park. Greg Philips stated the Borough has not received the Bill of Sale or the Waiver of Leins at this time. Justin Horrocks stated Action Impact is working with a pro-bono attorney who advised them not to sign these two documents. Greg asked Justin for his attorney's contact information, Greg will contact Action Impacts attorney to clarify the reason the Bill of Sale and the Waiver of Leins is needed. Motion made by Laura Pennza and seconded by Mike Trojecki to amend Resolution No. 2026-05 Authorization to accept constructed skate park facilities at Livingood park contingent upon getting the Bill of Sale and Waiver of Leins signed. Motion carried 6-1, Julie Duffy voted Ney. Motion made by Laura Pennza and seconded by Mike Trojecki to adopt amended Resolution 2026-05 Motion carried 6-1, Julie Duffy voted Ney. Dennis Kurtz discussed the grand opening of the skatepark; Action Impact is planning the grand opening for Saturday, April 11th.

Tensor Motor Car Escrow Release Request: Lorrie stated Mr. Bentley submitted a written request for the release of his unused escrow monies, however; SSM Group did not supply an escrow release for tonight's meeting. No action was taken on this matter.

MAYORS REPORT:

Cindy Franchitti stated she is in contact with a contractor to install the banners along Main St., however; she does not have a price for the install at this time.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Discussed under Public Comment

PARK, RECREATION & TRAILS:

Lisa Palser advised Council that she moved a trash toter and a recycling toter to the skatepark so trash cans would be available to the public in that area.

BUILDING AND GROUNDS:

Tom Feeley asked Lorrie Stolz to order a new flag for Livingood Park.

STREETS AND LIGHTS:

Cindy Franchitti and Julie Duffy discussed the status of the speed limit signs along at S. Pine St. Cindy Franchitti stated she will be meeting with Keith McGowan from Caernarvon Twp. to determine the placement of the signs. Julie stated Tom is going to meet with PP&L to determine where the streetlight on S. Pine should be placed.

Laura Pennza stated she heard from PennDOT and the speed study has been completed, however; she has not received those results yet. She is hoping to receive those results soon.

Laura Pennza discussed a proposal received from SSM Group for crosswalk improvements at Yeingst Dr. and Rt. 23. She stated at the last meeting Council tabled this, however; she felt it would be beneficial to get an outline with cost for the project to understand the reason for tabling this item. The cost of the proposal is \$61,800. Council agreed to table this item.

STATE POLICE:

Dennis Kurtz reviewed the State Police report; there were no concerns.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT:

Barclay Hargreaves discussed the Emergency Management Plan; Barclay asked Council to review the plan. Barclay stated he is trying to schedule a tabletop exercise for Council to participate in. Barclay also discussed the Hazardous Mitigation Plan; this is currently at FEMA. He stated once FEMA approves this, he will give this to Council for their review.

ENGINEERING:

Dennis Kurtz reviewed the Engineering report; there were no concerns.

BUILDING AND ZONING:

Dennis Kurtz discussed Kraft Municipal Group's report; there were no concerns.

MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY:

Dennis Kurtz discussed the Municipal Authority's report; there were no concerns.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Dennis asked Lorrie to send Council the proposals for Engineers.

NEW BUSINESS:

None

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion made by Mike Trojecki and seconded by Turner Stoltzfus to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 8:26 PM.

Respectfully,

Lorrie Stolz
Secretary Treasurer