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December 5, 2023

The monthly meeting of the Elverson Borough Council, was held on December 5, 2023, and called to order at 7:00 PM by Council President Bob Clements, who led the Pledge of Allegiance, and Merle Stoltzfus led in Prayer.

ATTENDANCE:

Council Members, Bob Clements, Merle Stoltzfus, Jack Stewart, George Firrantello, Mike Trojecki, Thomas Feeley, Dennis Kurtz, Mayor Esther Prosser and Secretary/Treasurer, Lori Kolb

Also in attendance: Mark Stabolepszy, SSM Group, Greg Phillips, YDASP Solicitor, Julie Duffy, Future Council Member

MINUTES:

Motion was made by Dennis Kurtz, and seconded by George Firrantello, accept the November Council meeting minutes as submitted. Motion carried by all.

TREASURERS REPORT:

Motion was made by George Firrantello, and seconded by Jack Stewart, to accept the Treasurers Report and pay bills as presented. Motion carried by all.

Motion was made by George Firrantello, and seconded by Thomas Feeley, to approve and advertise the adoption of the 2024 Elverson Borough Budget as advertised. Motion carried by all.

Motion was made by Merle Stoltzfus, seconded by Dennis Kurtz, to approve Resolution Number 2023-04, to appoint George Firrantello, as volunteer secretary/treasurer, effective January 1, 2024, and authorize the purchase of a corresponding annual bond. Motion carried by all.

PRESIDENTS REPORT:

Bob Clements reported that there was an executive session held prior to the Council Meeting, to discuss the proposed sale of a parcel owned by the Borough, no action was taken.

Motion was made by George Firrantello, seconded by Mike Trojecki, to approve, and advertise the 2024 Elverson Borough Council meeting dates to be the first Tuesday of each month at 7:00 PM, with the exception of the November meeting, which will be held on Wednesday, November 6, 2024 at 7:00 PM, and the Planning Commission meeting dates to be held, on the third Tuesday of each month at 7:00 PM, as needed. Motion carried by all.

MAYORS REPORT:

Esther Prosser reported that she, Lisa Palser, and Thomas Feeley met with a representative from PPG regarding the proposed trail easement. Mayor Prosser reported that someone with PPG will contact her to meet at a future date to review further.

Motion was made by Dennis Kurtz, and seconded by Merle Stoltzfus, to revise the current easement agreement for the trail to Blue Rocks on North Brick Lane, to only allow access on the East side of North Brick Lane. Motion carried by all.

Esther Prosser reported she will be getting parts ordered to repair the existing pedestrian crossing signs that have been damaged. Esther Prosser announced there will be a Christmas Tree lighting, along with Caroling held at the Elverson United Methodist Cemetery on December 17, 2024 at 4:00 PM.

STATE POLICE:

Bob Clements reviewed the State Police Report, there were no concerns.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT:

Barclay Hargreaves reported he had attended the safety and security follow up meeting at the Twin Valley School District to review emergency planning. Mr. Hargreaves reported that the Emergency Operations Plan has been submitted to the County, and he hopes to see the hard copy of the plan for the Borough next month. Mr. Hargreaves said he has requested the Emergency Management Guideline magazine to be provided to all Emergency Services Organizations.

ENGINEERING:

Mark Stabolepszy reported that Blue Rock Development has continued to make progress on their existing punch list.

BUILDING AND ZONING:

Bob Clements reviewed the zoning report, there were no comments.

MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY:

Jack Stewart reported he was unable to attend the meeting, however the Municipal Authority did provide a report for Council's review, which included information about a new grant application, and the decision to approve the sewer rate to remain the same, with no increase in 2024.

NEW BUSINESS:

Bob Clements announced that Lori Kolb will be retiring from the Borough's Secretary/Treasurer's position at the end of June 2024.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion was made by Thomas Feeley, and seconded by Mike Trojecki, to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 7:45 PM.

Respectfully,

Lori Kolb, Secretary Treasurer