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The monthly meeting of the Elverson Borough Council was held on March 5, 2024, and called to order at 7:00 PM by Council President, Bob Clements who led the Pledge of Allegiance and Laura Pennza led in Prayer.

ATTENDANCE:

Council Members, Bob Clements, Thomas Feeley, Merle Stoltzfus, Dennis Kurtz, Laura Pennza, Julie Duffy; Mayor Esther Prosser and Secretary/Treasurer, Lori Kolb; Absent: Council Member Mike Trojecki

Also in attendance: Mark Stabolepszy, SSM Group, Greg Phillips, YDASP, Lisa Palser, Park, Recreation and Trails Committee, Greg Sewik, Resident

MINUTES:

Motion was made by Merle Stoltzfus and seconded by Dennis Kurtz accept the February Council meeting minutes as submitted. Motion carried by all.

TREASURERS REPORT:

Motion was made by Merle Stoltzfus and seconded by Tom Feeley to accept the Treasurers Report and pay bills as presented. Motion carried by all.

PARK, RECREATION AND TRAILS COMMITTEE:

Lisa Palser reported the plant and facilities manger's at Whitford Corporation - PPG are cautiously optimistic that the modifications she suggested for the proposed trail easement may be able to be approved, however they need to do some additional follow up research. Mrs. Palser reported she is going to follow up with a neighboring property to the proposed easement as well. Mr. Phillips mentioned there is a possibility that the Boars Back Trail could possibly serve as an access to the trail to the Blue Rocks. Mrs. Palser reviewed information about the fundraiser, which was held for the skateboard / pump park.

PRESIDENTS REPORT:

Motion was made by Laura Pennza, seconded by Dennis Kurtz, to adopt Resolution Number 2024-04, to authorize destruction of the Borough of Elverson's 2015 and 2016 Bank Deposits/Reconciliations/Bank Statements and Accounts Payables, per the Municipal Record Manual. Motion carried by all.

MAYORS REPORT:

Motion was made by Dennis Kurtz, seconded by Julie Duffy, to authorize the quote from Martins Paving, as presented, for the resurfacing of the basketball / pickleball courts at the Borough Hall Park, and to authorize Bob Clements and Thomas Feeley to determine which funds will be used to cover the cost of the repair project. Motion carried by all.

Esther Prosser reported she is waiting to hear from Philadelphia Machine Works, regarding the completion of the replacement part for the grille at Livingood Park. Mayor Prosser expressed that communicating with residents on South Chestnut Street, regarding the proposed mailbox cluster, would be helpful in determining if the Borough should move forward with the project. Mrs. Prosser will research how to communicate with residents, for further consideration for moving forward with the project. Merle Stoltzfus recommended consideration for grant funding if available. Mayor Prosser requested that Lori Kolb provide copies of previous notice of violations for two properties located within the Borough, where there are continues to be some concerns.

BUILDING, GROUNDS STREETS AND LIGHTS:

Mr. Feeley mentioned there is a sink hole starting along the West side of the Livingood Park walking path, for which he will arrange the repairs to be completed, and also reported that the trim on the gazebo will need to be stained.

Motion was made by Thomas Feeley, seconded by Julie Duffy, to accept the three quotes from All Points Security, for the installation of a new security system at the Borough Hall Park, linking the new system with the existing system at Livingood Park, and for relocating some of the existing equipment at the Livingood Park to the inside of the concession stand, using the Capital Reserve, funds for the new system, and the remaining amounts quoted to be funded by the facilities maintenance line item in the General Fund Budget. Motion carried by all.

STATE POLICE:

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

ENGINEERING:

Mark Stabolepszy reviewed his report with Council Members, and he announced there is a meeting scheduled with DEP, and System Design Engineer, to discuss the Act 537 Update.

BUILDING AND ZONING:

Bob Clements noted there were no permits issued in February.

MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY:

Merle Stoltzfus reported that the Municipal Authority is operating very well, and he complimented the MABE board members for using their knowledge, and experience in continuing efforts for making improvements to the system.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Bob Clements reported that he, Laura Pennza, and Esther Prosser met with a candidate for the Secretary / Treasurer Position. Lori Kolb and George Firrantello will be scheduling a meeting with the candidate for further review, references and background check.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion was made by Merle Stoltzfus, and seconded by Dennis Kurtz, to adjourn the meeting. The Council Meeting adjourned at 7:53 PM.

Respectfully,

Lori Kolb, Secretary Treasurer