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November 6, 2024

The monthly meeting of the Elverson Borough Council was held on November 6, 2024, and called to order at 7:00 PM by Council Vice President, Thomas Feeley who led the Pledge of Allegiance and Julie Duffy who led in Prayer.

ATTENDANCE:

Council Members, Thomas Feeley, Mike Trojecki, Dennis Kurtz, Laura Pennza, Julie Duffy, Mayor Esther Prosser and Secretary/Treasurer, Lorrie Stolz; Merle Stoltzfus via telephone Absent: John Scalia

Also in attendance: Mark Stabolepszy, SSM Group, Greg Phillips, YDASP, Barclay Hargreaves, Lisa Palser, Parks, Rec, and Trails, and Cindy Franchitti

MINUTES:

Motion made by Dennis Kurtz, and seconded by Mike Trojecki to accept the October 1, 2024, Council meeting minutes as submitted. Motion carried by all.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Lisa Palser, Parks, Rec, and Trails stated she has not heard back about the grant approval yet. She asked Council if any ARPA funds were left, could she use them for the easement work for the grant. She stated easement work is not paid for by the grant. Greg Phillips explained that he would need to see if ARPA funds can be used for legal issues. Mark Stabolepsky mentioned Council will need to know exactly how much the easement work will cost so the correct amount is obligated to the resolution.

TREASURERS REPORT:

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

Dennis Kurtz asked if Council has decided where the ARPA funds will be expended. Greg Phillips explained a Resolution will need to be drafted once the funds are earmarked to show where the funds will be expended. If Council spends the funds before the end of the year, a resolution is not needed.

Motion made by Dennis Kurtz and seconded by Mike Trojecki to advertise the proposed 2025 budget. Motion carried by all.

PRESIDENTS REPORT:

Merle Stoltzfus stated he and Tom will work together on updating the Urban Centers' Improvement Inventory list.

MAYORS REPORT:

Esther Prosser discussed the Elverson Parade, which was held on Wednesday, October 16th. She stated they gave out three \$100 awards this year. The theme for 2025 will be Elverson on Broadway, celebrating our favorite musicals.

Esther mentioned that the pedestrian crossing sign at Yeingst Drive is broken, she is trying to get replacement parts for it.

Esther stated Pickleball will be moving inside at Hopewell Manor, and they will be doing Christmas Caroling again this year, she stated it is usually the week before Christmas.

BUILDING, GROUNDS STREETS AND LIGHTS:

Lorrie Stolz stated the Boy Scouts will be taking the flag at Livingood Park down after Veteran's Day. Lorrie also mentioned that the camera at the gazebo has not been working, Evan from All Points Security looked at it and found the electrical wire needs to be replaced.

Tom Feeley mentioned there are several spots in Borough Hall where the plaster is peeling, Tom would like Shawn the handyman to touch up these areas. Tom stated he would like to have the entire interior of Borough Hall painted and the carpet replaced. He also mentioned he would like to purchase two (2) dehumidifiers. Tom would also like to have the stucco on the exterior of Borough Hall inspected to be sure water is not getting in. He stated he would like to use the ARPA funds for these expenses if possible.

STATE POLICE:

Tom Feeley reviewed the State Police report; there were no concerns.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT:

Barclay Hargreaves stated the Chester County Pipeline Annex will be holding a JIC (Joint Information Center) Functional Exercise at the TVFD on Thursday, December 5th. Representatives from Chester County Emergency Services, PEMA, and all the local Emergency responders will have representatives there.

Barclay discussed a Safe Schools meeting that was held at the TV High School. He mentioned he will be setting up meeting at the elementary school with the Caernarvon Township Police Dept and the State Police for Spring of 2025.

Barclay stated Chester County is currently in a Burn Ban until November 25th, he asked that residents not have any open burns during this time. He also mentioned that Chester County is currently in a drought watch.

ENGINEERING:

Mark Stabolepsky discussed his report.

MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY:

Merle Stoltzfus stated the MABE has had the lowest flow in quite a while because there has been no rain. Merle stated its good timing with the work that they are doing at the plant. Merle mentioned they were considering adding additional members to their board, however; they are now reconsidering and keeping their board at five (5) members.

At this time Council tabled appointing Gregory Siwik to the Municipal Authority Board. Tom Feeley stated there is someone else who expressed interest and Tom would like to contact that person and see if they are still interested.

Dennis Kurtz discussed that MABE felt they were left out of the approval process of the Tensor Motorcar plan. Merle Stoltzfus stated he was not aware of this, nobody at the meeting had mentioned anything about this. Merle stated at the MABE meeting they asked what the status of the application of the Land Development plan was; Merle explained it had been approved and recorded so the work could start.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion made by Dennis Kurtz and seconded by Mike Trojecki to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 7:52 PM.

Respectfully,

Lorrie Stolz
Secretary Treasurer