

# The Borough of Elverson 101 South Chestnut Street

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October 6, 2015

The monthly meeting of the Elverson Borough Council was held on Tuesday, October 6, 2015 and called to order at 7:00 PM by Shirley Crehan who led the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **ATTENDANCE:**

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

Also in attendance: Mark Stabolepszy, SSM Group, Inc.

### **MINUTES:**

Motion was made by Doug Hoskins and seconded by Merle Stoltzfus to accept the September 2015 minutes as submitted. Motion carried by all.

### TREASURERS REPORT:

Motion was made by Bob French and seconded by Doug Hoskins to accept the October 2015 Treasurers Report and pay bills as presented. Motion carried by all.

### PRESIDENTS REPORT:

Shirley Crehan reminded Council that the November Meeting will be Monday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> 2016 due to Election Day falling on Tuesday.

### **BOROUGH EVENT PLANNING**

Esther announced the plans for the Halloween Parade and Pumpkin Carving Contest.

## **BUILDING, GROUNDS, STREETS AND LIGHTS:**

Doug Hoskins spoke with Keith at Caernarvon and was informed that plans for a proposed Stop Ahead Sign are currently on hold, however there have been markings painted on the road.

Doug mentioned the pothole on Brick Lane has been patched.

Doug Hoskins indicated that he and Bob French are working with Mark Stabolepszy on plans for road work to be done in 2016.

Bob French discussed that the lights have been installed and explained he had found a light that would work at the handicapped entrance that is equipped with a shield, which will prevent the light from being intrusive to the neighboring property. Bob explained the lights are on a photocell / timer which is new and more efficient.

Bob French referenced the plan for additional maintenance work and painting to be done at Borough Hall.

Jack Stewart explained options for a key fob system for Borough Hall and said he will get prices accordingly for the next meeting.

#### **COMMUNICATIONS:**

Esther Prosser mentioned October newsletters have been mailed out.

#### HISTORICAL COMMISSION:

Shirley Crehan listed some of the historical items that have been donated to the Borough.

### LOCAL SERVICES:

Merle Stoltzfus mentioned the Fire Company has a preliminary budget.

Bob Broderick mentioned there was an article in the Philadelphia Inquirer which was written about Elverson Honey Brook EMS.

Council Members discussed the Elverson Honey Brook EMS budget and Merle Stoltzfus said he will follow up regarding the formula used by the fire company that they may use to calculate needed contributions.

### **PLANNING**

Council Members discussed the comments made from residents at the September Zoning and SALDO meeting.

## **ENGINEERING:**

Mark Stabolepszy discussed his report and estimates submitted for street projects. Mark mentioned the goal would be to get estimates for proposed road work in January 2016.

Jack Stewart made a motion to authorize the specifications and bid package from SSM Group, Inc. in the amount of \$10,600, motion seconded by Bob French. Motion carried by all.

#### **MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY:**

Jack Stewart reported on the Municipal Authority meeting. Jack mentioned they are trying to schedule the check awarding ceremony for the evening of the October 27<sup>th</sup> MABE Meeting.

## TREE COMMISSION:

Council discussed the sidewalks which have been effected by tree roots. Esther Prosser will look into what the cost would be for root barriers and tree replacement. Esther asked Council if they would agree to allow replacement of dead trees per Heilner's quote, to be paid for from the Tree Commission Budget. After additional discussion regarding trees and replacement of trees, Council determined there were things that needed to be researched before making any decisions.

# **OLD BUSINESS:**

Shirley Crehan mentioned the letter from Bob Trout regarding repairs to Route 401 received a positive response from PennDot. It is scheduled to change the road surface on Route 401 in Spring to Summer of 2016.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Shirley Crehan asked Council for projects ideas for the UCII Plan.

Jack Stewart made a motion to authorize spending up to \$1,250.00 for the purchase of a sign for Borough Hall, motion seconded by Bob French. Motion carried by all.

Shirley Crehan reviewed the draft of the 2016 Budget with Council.

For personal reasons, Council President Shirley Crehan retired early from the meeting and Council Vice President Merle Stoltzfus presided until the meeting was adjourned.

# **ADJORNMENT:**

Doug Hoskins made a motion to adjourn, motion seconded by Jack Stewart. Motion carried by all. Meeting adjourned at 9:32 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Lori Kolb Secretary / Treasurer