

# The Borough of Elverson 101 South Chestnut Street

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October 6, 2020

The monthly meeting of the Elverson Borough Council was held on Tuesday, October 6, 2020 and called to order at 7:00 PM by Council President, Dwight Frizen who led the Pledge of Allegiance and Prayer.

## ATTENDANCE:

Council Members, Dwight Frizen, Bob French, Merle Stoltzfus, Jack Stewart, Doug Hoskins, Bob Clements, George Firrantello, and Secretary/Treasurer, Lori Kolb, Absent, Mayor Bob Broderick

Also in attendance: Darryl Jenkins, SSM Group, Jim Scheffey, Solicitor, Dennis K., Resident

#### **MINUTES:**

Motion was made by Bob Clements and seconded by Doug Hoskins to accept the September meeting minutes as submitted. Motion carried by all.

## **ENACTMENT OF CODIFIED ORDINANCES:**

Jim Scheffey reviewed the process for codifying the Ordinances of the Borough of Elverson. Mr. Scheffey reported that General Code was the company that processed the codified ordinances and he confirmed that the 2018 Zoning and Subdivision and Land Development was not changed or amended in any way. Mr. Scheffey confirmed advertising was done on September 11, 2020 via the Daily Local and that the Code was filed with the Chester County Law Library, Daily Local and was available at the Borough Office. Mr. Sheffey confirmed that there were no inquiries regarding the advertised enactment of the Codified Ordinances. Council Members and Lori Kolb commended Shirley Crehan's work in helping to complete the codification process. Dwight Frizen expressed appreciation for Ms. Crehan's love for the community and her countless hours of dedication in serving the Elverson Borough.

Following a roll call vote, Merle Stoltzfus made a motion, seconded by Doug Hoskins to enact Ordinance Number 2020-02 to approve the Codification Ordinance, Codifying the Ordinances of the Borough of Elverson. Motion carried by all.

# TREASURERS REPORT:

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

George Firrantello reviewed the revised proposed 2021 budget. Mr. Firrantello requested that Council Members advise him of any changes so that a proposed final draft can be presented for approval at the November 2, 2020 Council Meeting, after which, the proposed budget will be advertised.

#### PRESIDENTS REPORT:

Dwight Frizen reviewed the quote provided by the Park and Recreation Committee for consideration of purchasing new park signs.

Merle Stoltzfus made a motion seconded by Jack Stewart to approve the quote from Eckert Signs, Inc. in the amount of \$1,204, for signs to be replaced at Livingood Park and Borough Hall. Motion carried by all.

Dwight Frizen reviewed the email and letter sent by PennDot regarding the storm water work required for Route 82. Council agreed to have Merle Stoltzfus contact Representative Hennessey, Senator Muth and Ed Troxell regarding the PennDot's request that the Borough do the repairs.

Dwight Frizen reported that the current Service Electric Cable Contract will expire in October 2021. Mr. Frizen asked if Council wanted to consider looking into other cable providers. Council agreed to have Lori Kolb will look into other providers.

Dwight Frizen reported that the Elverson Parade will be held on October 21, 2020 at 7:00 PM with a rain date of October 22, 2020. Mr. Frizen also mentioned that trick or treating will be held on October 31<sup>st</sup> from 6 PM to 8 PM, and for those who prefer not to participate, they should keep their outside lights off to indicate as such.

Motion was made by Merle Stoltzfus to and seconded by Bob Clements to approve the Twin Valley Fire Departments purchase a new tanker truck. Motion carried by all.

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

Mr. French reported that the gazebo and train station driveway projects are scheduled to begin the end of October and early November. Mr. French mentioned that the final measurement for the sound boards has been done and he will be looking at color choices for the boards. Mr. French also mentioned that Heilner Landscaping has done some tree trimming and stump grinding work along the Livingood Park trail, and in the park area.

# **STATE POLICE:**

Mr. Frizen reviewed the State Police report, there were no concerns.

# **EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT:**

Barclay Hargreaves reported that he is continuing to fulfill emergency services requests for PPE (Personal Protective Equipment) and assist with information distribution from County, State and Federal partners. Mr. Hargreaves mentioned he is assisting the Fire Department and EMS with emergency planning for the Elverson Parade. Mr. Hargreaves said he is working with Joe McGinn, Vice President of Public Affairs with Energy Transfer, to create a public education program regarding what to look for in the case of a pipeline emergency. Mr. Hargreaves would like to have this out by the end of the year to residents.

## **ENGINEERING:**

Darryl Jenkins reported that Mark Stabolepszy has contacted the Blue Rock developer regarding trimming vegetation along Park Avenue. Mr. Jenkins reported that Mr. Margusity is currently working on getting quotes for the work. Mr. Jenkins mentioned that Mr. Stabolepszy did not see any areas of significant safety concerns. Mr. Jenkins also reported that Sunoco has planned micro surfacing of Parkside Drive for spring of 2021.

## **BUILDING AND ZONING:**

Dwight Frizen reviewed the report from Kraft Code Services.

#### **MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY:**

Jack Stewart reported that there should be a quote presented to both MABE and Borough Council very soon for the cost of the Act 537 Plan update. Mr. Stewart mentioned that MABE is continuing efforts to identify and correct sources of inflow and infiltration, and they are currently collecting quotes for televising an additional 2400 lineal feet of sewer line as a continuation of the work done in 2019. Mr. Stewart explained that the first four units in Blue Rock at Elverson should be planned for settlement possibly prior to the end of 2020.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

Council discussed the concerns for parking on Rte. 82. Council agreed to proceed with having the yellow curb painting at the corner near Borough Hall and the intersection of Rte. 82 and Main Street, to eliminate parking to close to those areas. Bob French mentioned that PennDot has not yet responded to the request for offsetting the center line to allow for more safe parking on the West side of Rte. 82. Lori Kolb will contact Fasstripe regarding painting the curb.

Bob Clements reported that he had contacted the buyer of 21 South Brick Lane and requested the title insurance report. Mr. Clements reviewed the report and said there was nothing included in the title document regarding the claim the Borough had open with Deutche Bank. Mr. Clements encouraged the buyer to expedite his plan for making the improvements to the property. Lori Kolb will advise Bob Clements if there is no response from the property owner by October 15, 2020.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

Dwight Frizen reviewed the letter from a resident reporting concerns for speeding on South Pine Street. Council discussed consideration for additional speed limit signage. Lori Kolb will contact Fasstripe to determine where additional speed limit signs can be installed.

Jack Stewart requested that improved lighting in the meeting room be considered. Bob French reported he is meeting the electrician the week of October 12<sup>th</sup> to look at what can be done to improve the lighting.

## **ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion was made by Doug Hoskins and seconded by Bob Clements to adjourn the meeting. Meeting was adjourned at 8:39 PM.

Respectfully,

Lori Kolb, Secretary Treasurer