

ELIZABETHVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
ELIZABETHVILLE PENNSYLVANIA
November 09, 2009

The Elizabethtown Borough Council met on November 9, 2009 in the Municipal Building at 14 South Market Street in Elizabethtown. President Fredrick Renn called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Roll call taken with the following present: James Facinelli, James Lodge, Stuart Margerum, and Brian Stahl.

ALSO PRESENT: Linus Fenicle, Solicitor; Jack Raudenbush, Engineer; Peggy Kahler, Secretary.

GUESTS: Michelle Henninger, Codes Enforcement Officer: Michael Wertz, Fire Chief.

Approval of Minutes: Motion made by James Facinelli, seconded by Brian Stahl to approve the minutes of October 12, 2009 as presented. Motion carried.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF GUESTS: None of the guests had anything to report.

REVIEW OF CORRESPONDENCE:

All general correspondence was reviewed and made available to council; no further action was required.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Streets & Maintenance – Raudenbush Engineering prepared a plan to correct the groundwater problem at Franklin Street, the project is slated to be completed next year. A small snow blower (under \$500) will be purchased for snow removal around the borough building.

Police & Safety – A meeting chaired by Brian Stahl was held on October 26th, to discuss the interest and feasibility of forming a Regional Police Department. Thirty-seven people attended the meeting. A group of volunteers are currently conducting a study to determine the police needs of Northern Dauphin County and the cost associated with forming and maintaining a Regional Police Department.

Code Enforcement Officer – A Public Notice has been given to Borough Residents, regarding Council's intentions to enforce the "Junk Vehicle Ordinance". The current ordinance allows council to establish a temporary permit that allows the property owner extra time to correct the violations and bring their property into compliance.

Temporary Junk Vehicle Permit: Motion made by James Facinelli, seconded by James Lodge to establish a 90 day permit at a cost of \$50 per vehicle for a property owner in violation of the "Junk Vehicle Ordinance" who needs additional time to bring their property into compliance. Motion carried.

Building, Lighting & Grounds – Several of the tables in the auditorium need replaced, a budget request of \$400 will be added to next year's budget.

Water, Refuse & Sewage – Nothing to report.

Planning & Development –Lykens Borough has a Landlord Inspection Ordinance that could be refined to meet the needs in Elizabethville however, the “Building Officials and Codes Administrator (BOCA) codes may have to be adopted prior to the Landlord Inspection Ordinance. More information to follow at the next meeting.

Budget & Finance – A special budget meeting will be scheduled and advertised for November 16th, 7:00 P.M.

Park & Recreation – Nothing to report.

Insurance – The committee received notification that the premium for the Borough’s liability insurance should remain the same for 2010; however the Health Insurance premium will most likely be increased.

Upper Dauphin Tax Representative – The first Tax Collection Committee meeting was held on November 7th, no details to report at this time.

COG – Representative Position - Vacant.

Personnel – Nothing to report.

Mayor’s Report – Nothing to report.

Solicitor’s Report – Noting to report.

Engineer’s Report – Nothing to report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Police Handgun: Motion made by Brian Stahl, seconded by James Facinelli to take ownership of the handgun (GLOCK 22. 40 Caliber) currently being held by Millersburg Police Department and to sell the pistol through a licensed dealer (Kell Bros.). Motion carried.

A copy of the May 1964 newsletter was received from the Lykens Valley Camp Meeting Association. It states that the stockholders of LVCMA granted the Elizabethville Borough the right away to establish and maintain roads in the campground, and after the roads were ordained street lights would be installed for their convenience and protection. Past records reflect that council did take official action to install street lights at the campground, however no records were found to confirm council took ownership or ordained the roads at the campground. A new agreement between the borough and the Lykens Valley Camp Meeting Association will be drafted omitting the type of road (public/private).

NEW BUSINESS:

President Renn announced that a Christmas Dinner will be held for the employees and council members. The date and location will be announced after the details have been confirmed.

REVIEW OF FINANCIAL REPORTS:

Motion made by James Lodge, seconded by James Facinelli, to accept the Financial Reports as presented. A roll call vote was taken and the motion carried unanimously.

Total Revenue \$ 19,687.07
Total Expenditures \$ 45,566.63

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Respectively submitted,

Peggy P. Kahler
Borough Secretary