

**ELIZABETHVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**  
**ELIZABETHVILLE PENNSYLVANIA**  
**October 12, 2009**

The Elizabethtown Borough Council met on October 12, 2009 in the Municipal Building at 14 South Market Street in Elizabethtown. Vice President Gary Shadle 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, Stuart Margerum, Timothy Motter, Gary Shadle and Brian Stahl.

**ALSO PRESENT:** Linus Fenicle, Solicitor; Peggy Kahler, Secretary; Michael Maurer, Roadmaster.

**GUESTS:** Dennis Henninger, Jeffrey Fetterhoff, Michelle Henninger, Codes Enforcement Officer.

**Approval of Minutes:** Motion made by James Facinelli, seconded by Timothy Motter to approve the minutes of September 14, 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** – Jack Raudenbush will be contacted to review and recommend a plan of action for a groundwater problem on Franklin Street. He will also be asked to do a final inspection on the paving overlay projects. The park and pool bathrooms and water lines have been winterized. Council discussed publishing the borough's snow removal policy for those residents who have a curbside mailbox.

**Police & Safety** – When the Millersburg Police Department was providing police protection to the Elizabethtown Borough their officers were using the boroughs handgun (Glock, Model 22, Caliber 40). The Millersburg Police Department discovered the weapon was never returned to the borough when their contract was terminated. One of the following actions needs to occur;

- The gun can be turned over to the Millersburg Police Department.
- Elizabethtown Borough can take possession of the gun.  
The gun can be destroyed, (with the proper paper).

After further discussion council has decided to check with Kell Brothers about selling the handgun on consignment, if sold the money would be returned to the Police & Safety Budget.

**Code Enforcement Officer** – A notice to inform borough residents that the borough intends to begin enforcing the Junk Vehicles Code will be printed in the Upper Dauphin Sentinel. Council has been informed on the progression of action that will occur to bring a property owner into compliance. The 'Junk Vehicle Ordinance' has a provision for permit fees; the cost of the fees will be set at the next council meeting. On October 5<sup>th</sup> the Codes Enforcement Officer was called to assist the Pennsylvania

State Police and Dauphin County Children & Youth at 217 Spruce Street. The property was found to be unsafe for habitation. The Fire Chief was called to inspect the building and premises, owner Lisa Stoneroad gave permission to enter the building. The dwelling was found to have multiple conditions liable to cause fire, and endanger the lives of those that may have to enter the building in the event of a fire. Everyone was evicted from the property; the exterior doors and windows were boarded and posted with "Do NOT Enter" signs. The property owner is responsible for extermination and trash removal. The CEO will be monitoring the progress. "Safety Code Inspection Letter" attached to the minutes.

Building, Lighting & Grounds – The 'Christmas Stars' will be hung throughout the town in the next few weeks.

Water, Refuse & Sewage – Nothing to report.

Planning & Development – A Rental Property Inspection Ordinance is being researched, more information will be available at the next meeting.

Budget & Finance – Budget request forms will be emailed to all council members, the form should be completed and returned by November 9<sup>th</sup>.

Park & Recreation – The roof and floor have been repaired on the grandstand. A few bushes around the pool have been removed and or trimmed. The committee is still trying to coordinate a meeting date with Deep Run Aquatics.

Insurance – Nothing to report.

Upper Dauphin Tax Representative – Kaye Thoma has volunteered to serve as a delegate on the Tax Collection Committee for the Upper Dauphin School District. Ms. Thoma has 30 years of administrative experience with the school district, the secretary asked council to consolidate around the school district by appointing Ms. Thoma as the borough's TCC delegate.

**Resolution 2009-07:** Motion made by James Facinelli, seconded by Brian Stahl to appoint Kaye J. Thoma as the voting delegate representing the Elizabethville Borough on the Dauphin County TCC and Peggy Kahler and Dennis Henninger as alternates on the TCC. Motion carried.

COG – Representative Position - Vacant.

Personnel – Nothing to report.

Mayor's Report – Nothing to report.

Solicitor's Report – The 'Junk Vehicle' ordinance and press release was reviewed.

Engineer's Report – Nothing to report.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

Subject discussed and action taken under the committee reports.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Last year the Lykens Valley Campground Association expressed a desire to contract with the borough for snow removal and leaf pick-up services. A new lease was drafted; however no response was received from the association regarding their intentions. One final letter will be sent to the association.

Council discussed the problems associated with allowing probationary people to do community services hours for the borough. Council has decided not to utilize the program unless the borough has a special project and council is informed prior to the start of the project.

A meeting to discuss the feasibility and interest of forming a Regional Police Department has been scheduled for October 26<sup>th</sup>. All municipalities north of Peter's Mountain have been invited.

**REVIEW OF FINANCIAL REPORTS:**

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

Total Revenue	\$ 9,408.46
Total Expenditures	\$ 21,952.00

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Respectively submitted,

Peggy P. Kahler  
Borough Secretary