# ELIZABETHVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

# February 10, 2020

The Elizabethville Borough Council met on February 10, 2020 in the Municipal Building at 68 S. Moore Street in Elizabethville, Pennsylvania. President James Facinelli called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

## Present:

Roll call taken with the following present: James Facinelli, Mandy Carl, Tim Matter, Michael Crosby, Kenneth Strine, Rodney Spicher and Lynn Kahler.

Also present: Linus Fenicle, Solicitor; Denise Spickler, Secretary; Debra Goudy, Code Enforcement Officer; E. Engle, Mayor; Donald Shutt EMA Coordinator.

Guests: Peggy Kahler, Dennis Henninger; residents. Fred Dill, Michael Wertz, and Ryan Romberger; Reliance Hose Company. Doyle Deppen, Bradley Zimmerman, Keith Lenker; American Legion.

<u>Approval of Minutes</u>: Motion made by Tim Matter, seconded by Kenneth Strine to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes and Reorganization Meeting Minutes of January 6, 2020 as presented.

Motion carried.

Review of Correspondence: No further action.

Guests: Michael Wertz from the Reliance Hose Company addressed Council on the Fire Company's budget for the year 2020. Michael Wertz also informed Council that they are looking to replace the manual sign with a digital sign at the cost of \$25,000.00. Mr. Wertz stated that the sign can be used for community as well as for Fire interests. Reliance Fire Company wants to let Council know that they will start fund raising in order to help cover the cost of the new digital sign.

Doyle Deppen from the American Legion Post #404 addressed Council on the matter of the remaining balance for the completion of the concrete pad that will house the cannons which have been sent out for refurbishment. Mr. Deppen confirmed that the American Legion will secure the remaining balance of \$5000.00 for the project. It was also explained to Mr. Deppen that Council is interested in constructing a roof as to protect the Cannons from the elements barring a plaque naming a monetary contributors relative who is a WWII vet. The gentlemen representing the Legion declared that they will follow up with Council on the plaque.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Streets & Maintenance – J. Facinelli distributed the monthly report to all Council members.

Personnel & Safety - Nothing to report at this time.

Northern Dauphin County 4 Reginal – D. Shutt spoke to Council on the upcoming workshops, from weather exercises to Cyber Security classes. D. Shutt will be attending the PEMA 2020 Governors Emergency Preparedness Summit at the Kalahari Resorts and Convention Center in Mount Pocono, PA from May 18<sup>th</sup> to the 20<sup>th</sup> and questioned Council on covering of expenses, which will be divided amongst the other areas that D. Shutt oversees.

<u>Covering of Expences</u>- Motion made by Rod Spicher, seconded by Tim Matter to pay a portion of the expenses for D. Shutt to attend the PEMA Summit on May 18<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup>. **Motion carried.** 

Codes Enforcement Officer – Monthly report was distributed to all Council Members.

Building, Lighting & Grounds – Tim Matter reported that the Borough building on the east end has been scraped and touched up with paint. Preparations are being made to paint the pavilion at the rear of the Borough building.

Water, Refuse & Sewage - Nothing to report

Planning & Development – Nothing to report at this time.

Budget & Finance – Rod Spicher reported that the State budget proposal includes an article that communities will have to start paying for State Police coverage if passed. This charge for Elizabethville will be \$25,000.00 a year, which in order to cover the cost there will have to be at least a ¾ mill tax increase.

Park & Recreation – Lynn Kahler addressed Council on the electrical problem in the Park. It was said that first, come up with a proposal on what Council would like to have done to correct the problems with the electric in the park Secondly, a contract with one electrician who will be responsible for all electrical work done within the park.

COG – Nothing to report at this time.

Insurance – Nothing to report at this time.

IT – Nothing to report at this time.

Mayor's Report- Nothing to report at this time.

Solicitor's Report – Linus Fenicle stated the Ordinance pertaining to no parking on Callowhill St between Maple Avenue and West Broad Street will need to be advertised.

<u>Advertisement of Parking Ordinance:</u> Motion made by Michael Crosby, seconded by Mandy Carl to Advertise the No Parking Ordinance. **Motion carried.** 

Engineer's Report – Nothing to report at this time.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

<u>Cannon Pavilion/Pad Donation</u>; Pending: The balance for the Cannon cement pad has been finalized with a commitment from the American Legion to contribute the \$5000.00 balance. The American Legion proclaimed that they will have to address the Officers of the American Legion on the pavilion and the wording on the plaque. They stated that they should have an answer for Council at the next meeting.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Address change Callowhill Street: J. Facinelli discussed a letter that was sent to the Borough pertaining to changing addresses on Callowhill St and Swab Rd. Don Shutt explained the importance of this according to 911 and Emergency Management.

<u>Letter for address change</u>: Motion made by Kenneth Strine, seconded by Rod Spicher to send letters explaining the intention of the address change. **Motion carried.** 

Disposal Site: Tim Matter addressed Council pertaining to Saturday coverage at the dump.

T. Matter explained that he looked into a system that Upper Paxton has in place which includes a gate and camera monitored site. The cost according to Upper Paxton was a little over \$14,000.00. There is also another option at Keep PA Beautiful where we can get a loan of three cameras from the state for three months with an option to buy.

Mayor E. Engle suggested that all members of Council receive their own dump key leaving the responsibility to Council members of allowing residents use one of their keys for any dumping on the weekends. It was also suggested that the Borough have a designated area for residents to discard items that they would have taken to the dump with the disposal of these items being carried out by maintenance.

Community Volunteer: Rod Spicher spoke to Council that letters should go out to the following: Reliance Hose Company and Elizabethville Volunteers Association to thank them for their work with the community.

Rod also talked about getting an invoice to reimburse the Volunteers Association for the lights that were lost due to the power situation in the park.

Dumpsters: Rod Spicher announced the problems with residents having dumpsters and the issue Valley Waste is experiencing obtaining convenient access to these dumpsters. In some cases, Valley Waste has to drive through yards or over sidewalks (which breaks up the road and sidewalk). It was suggested that residents who have a dumpster, Council would require them to lay a concrete pad for placement of the dumpster, if this is not an option for home owners, they will have to change to using cans.

<u>Local Service Tax</u>: Motion made by Rod Spicher, seconded by Kenneth Strine to pay 25% of Local Service Tax to the Reliance Fire Company in the amount of \$3426.00. **Motion carried.** 

## **REVIEW OF FINANCIAL REPORTS:**

Motion made by Tim Matter, seconded by Michael Crosby to accept the Financial Reports as presented. Roll Call vote- J. Facinelli (yes); M. Carl (yes); M. Crosby (yes); K. Strine (yes); L. Kahler (yes); R. Spicher (yes); T. Matter (yes). **Motion carried.** 

**Total Revenue** 

\$ 62,291.00

**Total Expenditures** 

\$ 26,810.00

Adjourn: Motion made by Rod Spicher, seconded by Michael Crosby to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 pm. Motion carried.

Respectively submitted,

Denise M. Spickler Borough Secretary