# ELIZABETHVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL

## **MINUTES**

# June 12, 2023

The Elizabethville Borough Council met June 12, 2023 at Elizabethville Borough Building 68 South Moore Street, Elizabethville Pa 17023. President Kenneth Strine 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: Doug Charles, Timothy Matter, Patrick Welker, Elizabeth Groff, Kenneth Strine, Michael Crosby. Kyle Groff not present.

**Also present**: Linus Fenicle, Solicitor; Matt Schaffner, Maintenance Supervisor; Barry Jones, Code Enforcement Officer, Denise Spickler, Secretary.

**Guests**: Dennis Henninger, Resident; Peggy Kahler, Resident; Judy Zigner, Resident; John Miller, Karen DiBagno, Resident.

<u>Approval of Minutes-</u> Motion made by Tim Matter, seconded by Elizabeth Groff to approve the regular meeting minutes for May 8, 2023 meeting. **Motion carried.** 

## Additions to agenda-

#### **Guest:**

Mr. Cook addressed Council on his seeking a variance for 101 S. Market Street for a carport. He is asking for 6 ft.

<u>101 S. Market Street variance</u>- Motion made by Michael Crosby seconded by Patrick Welker to allow the variance of six feet contingent upon we receive a letter from his neighbor giving their approval. **Motion carried**.

Letter was received from Mike Botts at 7:20 giving his approval.

<u>Executive session to discuss employee matters</u>- Motion made by Michael Crosby seconded by Patrick Welker to enter executive session at 7:13 pm to discuss employee matters. **Motion carried.** 

Executive session ended at 7:25 pm.

Motion made by Michael Crosby seconded by Patrick Welker to give pay raises to all Borough employees in the amount of five percent. **Motion carried.** 

K. Strine-yes, D. Charles-yes, M. Crosby-yes, T. Matter-yes, P. Welker-yes, E. Groff-yes, K. Groff- not present.

| Name               | Current Wage | 5%     | New Wage |
|--------------------|--------------|--------|----------|
| Matt Schaffner     | \$30.00      | \$1.50 | \$31.50  |
| Doug Goudy         | \$20.00      | \$1.00 | \$21.00  |
| Denise Spickler    | \$22.75      | \$1.14 | \$23.89  |
| Barry Jones        | \$20.00      | \$1.00 | \$21.00  |
| Shirley McAllister | \$18.00      | \$ .90 | \$18.90  |

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

*Street and Maintenance:* **K. Strine** the truck came back from the garage and came in less than the estimate.

**Personnel & Safety: D. Charles** nothing to report at this time.

*Code Enforcement Officer-* **B. Jones** issued 23 letters, no complaints and 11 parking ticket. Linus will look into parking and towing.

**Building, Lighting & Grounds- P. Welker** there were termites found on the east end of the building, West Wind came and sprayed and baited within 24 hours of them being called. Patrick will get a quote from West Wind on doing all the spraying.

Water, Sewage & Refuse- M. Crosby nothing to report.

**Planning & Development- K. Strine** nothing to report.

Budget & Finance- D. Charles nothing to report.

**Parks & Rec- T. Matter** expressed how grateful and appreciative he is on how well Matt Schaffner and Doug Goudy have been with their maintenance and upkeep of the Park and grounds.

*Insurance*- **P.** Welker met with DST concerning the insurance and the cost of living increase of \$1400.00.

<u>Insurance increase</u>- Motion made by Elizabeth Groff seconded by Doug Charles to accept the insurance increase of \$1,400.00. **Motion carried.** 

*COG*- no report

Mayors Report-J. Margerum was not present.

Solicitor Report- L. Fenicle already on the agenda.

Engineer Report:

*EMC Report-* **D. Shutt** EOP update next week, update the radio channels.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

<u>Bids for S10 Pickup-</u> Motion made by Doug Charles, seconded by Tim Matter to rescind motion to advertise on municibid and advertise in newspaper and Facebook. **Motion carried.** 

<u>Electric in the park</u>- Motion made by Michael Crosby seconded by Tim Matter to accept the bid for the electric in the park in the amount of \$7790.00. Money to come from General fund. **Motion passed.** 

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

<u>Parking after hours in the park-</u> Item is tabled until next month, Linus Fenicle will have an amendment to the ordinance.

<u>435 W Main-</u> Motion made by Doug Charles, seconded by Elizabeth Groff to authorize a formal complaint for work performed without a permit at 435 W. Main Street. **Motion carried.** 

<u>Variance 79 E. Main Street</u> - Motion made by Michal Crosby seconded by Patrick Welker, to allow a variance at 79 E. Main Street for a shed. **Motion carried.** 

<u>Trinity UMC request-</u> Motion made by Michael Crosby seconded by Doug Charles, to grant the request from Trinity UMC to close Maple Ave. between S. Deitrich Ave, and Collier St. for a block party. As well as traffic cones from the Borough to block off Maple Ave. during the closure. **Motion carried.** 

#### **REVIEW OF FINANCIAL REPORTS:**

Motion made by Michael Crosby, seconded by Elizabeth Groff to accept the financial report as presented. **Motion carried.** 

ROLL CALL: P. Welker (yes); E. Groff (yes); K. Strine (yes); D. Charles (yes); T. Matter (yes). M. Crosby (yes); K. Groff not present.

TOTAL REVENUE \$ 20,611.15

TOTAL EXPEDITURES \$ 55,013.56

**Adjourn-** Motion made by Patrick Welker, seconded by Michael Crosby to adjourn the meeting at 8:19 pm. **Motion carried.** 

Respectively Submitted,

Denise M. Spickler

**Borough Secretary**