# ELIZABETHVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

## January 12, 2015

The Elizabethville Borough Council met on January 12, 2015 in the Municipal Building at 14 South Market Street in Elizabethville, Pennsylvania. President Gary Shadle called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### Present:

Roll call taken with the following present: Mandy Carl, Travis Enders, James Facinelli, Dennis Henninger, Gary Shadle, Russell Snyder Jr. and Rodney Spicher.

Also present: Linus Fenicle, Borough Solicitor; Peggy Kahler, Borough Secretary; Matt Schaffner, Borough Maintenance; Maryellen Chenoweth, Code Enforcement Officer; Mayor Justin Challenger.

Guests: Jeff Fetterhoff, Elizabethville Area Authority
Patti Miller, Secretary for Senator Rob Teplitz

President Shadle recognized Mrs. Miller who briefly attended the meeting to distribute information on services and grant resources available through Senator Teplitz's Office.

<u>Approval of Minutes</u>: Motion made by Travis Enders, seconded by Jim Facinelli to approve the minutes of December 8, 2014 with changes. Motion carried.

Review of Correspondence: All correspondences were made available to Council. No further action.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Streets & Maintenance – Chairman J. Facinelli reported; gutters and storm drains were cleaned-out. Road shoulders were scraped on Arch, Lyter and Summers Streets. Stop sign repair (Route 225 and Moore Street) completed. Trucks were washed down after snow plowing. Matt is working on the monthly work schedule for 2015.

Police & Safety – A form was developed to track the Code Enforcement Officer's work activity, it will be completed bi-weekly. The committee is reviewing the 'Landlord Inspection List' for clarification and possible revisions. Project is ongoing.

Codes Enforcement Officer – All council members received copies of the monthly report. Report on file.

Building, Lighting & Grounds – Chairman R. Snyder prepared a list of repairs and the potential cost of repairing the Borough Building at 14 S. Market Street.

Water, Refuse & Sewage – Nothing to report at this time.

Planning & Development - Nothing to report at this time.

Budget & Finance - Adoption of 2015 Tax Ordinance listed under *Old Business*.

Park & Recreation – Chairman T. Enders distributed the monthly report from the Upper Dauphin Recreation Association. The Association has a volunteer who is experienced with payroll and financial reporting and is willing to serve in the position of Treasurer. The Association does not hold a non-profit 501C status. Chairman Enders will be reviewing the lease agreements for the Baseball Teams and Pool Association.

COG – Halifax Township is hosting the monthly meeting. The subject topic is Purchasing Salt and Rock Aggregate through Co-Stars.

Insurance – Chairman M. Carl reported; the formation of a Safety Committee is still pending. Pennsylvania Boroughs Association has a Workers Compensation Program available that could save the Borough money. Open Enrollment forms have to be completed by January 1<sup>st</sup>; the Borough will have to wait until next year to join the program.

Personnel – Nothing to report at this time.

Mayor's Report: Mayor Challenger volunteered to develop an 'Erosion Control Plan', when completed it will be on file at the Borough Office. Mr. Challenger recently accepted employment with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; per the Pa. State Ethics Commission he may not campaign for another term in public office.

Solicitor's Report - Linus Fenicle requested an executive session to discuss legal matters.

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

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Elizabethville Area Authority Board Appointment: Motion made by Dennis Henninger, seconded by James Facinelli to appoint Justin Challenger to serve a five (5) year term on the Elizabethville Area Authority Board. Motion carried.

<u>Tax Levy Ordinance No 346</u>: Motion made by James Facinelli, seconded by Rodney Spicher to adopt Tax Ordinance No. 346 as advertised. Roll call vote taken; M. Carl (yes), T. Enders (no), J. Facinelli (yes), D. Henninger (yes), G. Shadle (yes), R. Snyder (yes), R. Spicher (yes). Motion carried.

<u>Professional Architectural Services:</u> Motion made by Russell Snyder, seconded by James Facinelli to accept Gary G. Grimm's proposal for architectural services, subject to clarification on the fee schedule. Roll call vote taken; M. Carl (yes), T. Enders (no), J. Facinelli (yes), D. Henninger (yes), G. Shadle (yes), R. Snyder (yes), R. Spicher (yes). Motion carried.

Amendment/Solid Waste Ordinance: Motion made by Rodney Spicher, seconded by Russell Snyder authorizing Linus Fenicle to draft an amendment to the Solid Waste Ordinance, to approve for advertisement at the next meeting. Motion carried

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

A Letter will be sent to Washington Township Supervisors requesting they reconsider their scheduled *Trick or Treat Date of Saturday, October 31, 2015.* 

C. M. High Inc.: Motion made by Travis Enders, seconded by Dennis Henninger authorizing Borough Council to enter into a Preventive Maintenance Agreement for traffic light service with C. M. High Inc. at an annual cost of three-hundred and eighty (\$380). Response maintenance will be billed on a time and material basis as defined in the agreement. Motion carried.

### REVIEW OF FINANCIAL REPORTS:

Motion made by James Facinelli, seconded Russell Snyder to accept the Financial Reports as presented. Roll Call vote: M. Carl (yes); T. Enders (yes); J. Facinelli (yes); D. Henninger (yes); G. Shadle (yes); R. Snyder (yes); R. Spicher (yes). Motion carried.

Total Revenue

\$ 18,854.80

**Total Expenditures** 

\$ 20,386.01

**Executive Session:** Motion made by Gary Shadle, seconded by Dennis Henninger to enter into a closed session at 8:14pm to discuss potential ligation of Fire Arms. Council returns to open session at 8:29pm.

Rescind Ordinance: Motion made by Rodney Spicher, seconded by Travis Enders to rescind *Chapter 16 Section 203-J and Section 203-S* ......prohibition of carrying fire arms in the Borough Park. Motion carried.

Adjourn: Motion made by James Facinelli, seconded by Russell Snyder to adjourn at 8:31pm. Motion carried.

Respectively submitted,

Peggy P. Kahler Borough Secretary