

BOROUGH OF EAST GREENVILLE
BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
January 4, 2016

Call to Order: Mayor Ryan J. Sloyer called the January 4, 2016, Reorganization Meeting of East Greenville Borough Council to order at 7:30 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Mayor Sloyer called the newly elected Councilpersons to come forward, and he administered the Oath of Office to the following:

1. James Young
2. Robert McCluskie
3. Marita Thomson

Attendance: The following Council members were present: Timothy Huff, Tracey Hunsinger, Robert McCluskie, Ryan Pugh, Leon Steinert, Marita Thomson and James Young. Also present were Mayor Ryan Sloyer, Michelle Forsell, Solicitor, James Fry, Borough Manager, and Sharon Kachmar, Borough Secretary/Treasurer.

Mayor Sloyer called for a roll call vote for President of Council. As each Councilperson was called, they named their choice for President. Roll call:

Mr. McCluskie – James Young	Mr. Young – James Young
Mr. Pugh – Marita Thomson	Ms. Hunsinger – James Young
Ms. Thomson – James Young	Mr. Steinert – James Young
Mr. Huff – James Young	

By a majority vote of 6-1, Mr. Young was elected Council President.

Mayor Sloyer called for a motion to have the President assume the Chair. On a motion by Mr. Pugh and a second by Mr. Steinert, motion was approved and Mr. Young assumed the Chair as President.

Mr. Young called for a roll call vote for Vice President of Council. As each Councilperson was called, they named their choice for Vice President. Roll call:

Mr. McCluskie – Tracey Hunsinger	Mr. Young – Tracey Hunsinger
Mr. Pugh – Tracey Hunsinger	Ms. Hunsinger – Tracey Hunsinger
Ms. Thomson – Tracey Hunsinger	Mr. Steinert – Tracey Hunsinger
Mr. Huff – Tracey Hunsinger	

By a majority vote of 7-0, Ms. Hunsinger was elected Vice President of Council.

Mr. Young called for a roll call vote for President Pro Tem of Council. As each Councilperson was called, they named their choice for President Pro Tem. Roll Call:

Mr. McCluskie – Marita Thomson	Mr. Young – Marita Thomson
Mr. Pugh – Marita Thomson	Ms. Hunsinger – Marita Thomson
Ms. Thomson – Timothy Huff	Mr. Steinert – Marita Thomson
Mr. Huff – Marita Thomson	

By a majority vote of 6-1, Ms. Thomson was elected President Pro Tem of Council.

The following appointments were made by Council:

On a motion by Mr. Pugh seconded by Mr. Steinert, Council appointed Josiah Pierson as Vacancy Board Chairman for a 1-year term expiring December 31, 2016. Motion passed unanimously.

On a motion by Mr. Pugh seconded by Ms. Hunsinger, Council appointed Jeromy Schulz-Arnold to the Zoning Hearing Board for a 3-year term to expire December 31, 2018. Motion passed unanimously.

On a motion by Ms. Thomson seconded by Mr. Huff, Council appointed Joseph Arahill as alternate to the Zoning Hearing Board for a 3-year term to expire December 31, 2018. Motion passed unanimously.

On a motion by Ms. Thomson seconded by Mr. McCluskie, Council appointed Ann Henry as representative on Planning Commission for a 4-year term to expire December 31, 2019. Motion passed unanimously.

On a motion by Mr. Huff seconded by Mr. McCluskie, Council appointed Ryan Pugh as representative on the UMJA Board for a 5-year term to expire December 31, 2020. Motion passed unanimously with Mr. Pugh abstaining.

On a motion by Mr. Pugh seconded by Mr. Steinert, Council appointed Tracey Hunsinger to a 2-year term on the Upper Perk Library Board expiring December 31, 2017. Motion passed unanimously.

On a motion by Mr. Huff seconded by Mr. Steinert, Council appointed James Fry as Emergency Management Coordinator for a 2-year term expiring December 31, 2017. Motion passed unanimously.

On a motion by Mr. Pugh seconded by Mr. Steinert, Council appointed James Fry as Fire Marshall for a 2-year term expiring December 31, 2017. Motion passed unanimously.

On a motion by Ms. Thomson seconded by Mr. Huff, Council appointed Sharon Kachmar as Borough Secretary/Treasurer. Motion passed unanimously.

On a motion by Mr. Pugh seconded by Ms. Thomson, Council appointed Sharon Kachmar as the Agency Open Records Officer. Motion passed unanimously.

On a motion by Ms. Thomson seconded by Mr. Pugh, Council designated Univest National Bank (East Greenville Branch), PLGIT, and QNB (Pennsburg Branch) as depositories for all Borough funds. Motion passed unanimously.

On a motion by Mr. Pugh seconded by Ms. Thomson, Council appointed Tomlinson & Gerhart as Borough Solicitor. Motion passed unanimously.

On a motion by Mr. Huff seconded by Ms. Hunsinger, Council appointed Cowan Associates as Borough Engineer. Motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Thomson made a motion to close the reorganization meeting. Seconded by Ms. Hunsinger and unanimously approved.

Call to Order: Council President Mr. Young called the January 4, 2016, meeting of East Greenville Borough Council to order at 7:43 p.m.

Approval of Minutes: A motion was made by Mr. Pugh to approve the minutes of the December 22, 2015, meeting. Seconded by Ms. Hunsinger and unanimously approved.

Visitors: Jeromy Schulz-Arnold; Eric Grubb; Keith Gerhart; Douglas & Diane Criddle; Bradley Schlegel, Bob Esposito and Larry Roeder of Town & Country; plus 1 other visitor.

Visitor Comments: Eric Grubb, 138 Main Street, questioned the actual revenue received for clubhouse rentals in 2015. He was informed the revenue amount was \$1,600.00.

Police Commission Report: Mayor Sloyer reported that the monthly allocation for January is \$50,921.40. The Police Commission will be holding their reorganization meeting later this month.

Mayor's Report: Mayor Sloyer advised that the Action Park setup is close to being finished. All equipment was placed, and they are putting surfaces on the equipment. Mr. Fry confirmed that we can store the spare surface boards.

Solicitor Items: Atty. Forsell presented **Resolution 2016-01** Eliminating Payments in the Police Pension Fund for approval. Mr. Pugh made a motion to pass Resolution 2016-01. Seconded by Ms. Hunsinger and unanimously approved.

Atty. Forsell presented **Resolution 2016-02** Appointing Jeromy Schulz-Arnold to fill the vacancy on the Zoning Hearing Board for approval. Ms. Thomson made a motion to approve **Resolution 2016-02**. Seconded by Mr. McCluskie and unanimously approved.

Atty. Forsell addressed the request by Council to look into adopting an ordinance prohibiting the discharge of weapons. She does not recommend an ordinance because this topic is already covered by state laws which would preempt any resolution adopted locally and potentially open the Borough up to litigation.

Water Committee: Mr. Fry summarized the water supervisor's monthly report. A recent water test indicated that a manganese level in the waste water was over the limit allowed. We now have testing equipment and can monitor these levels on our own.

Mr. Fry indicated he was in contact with Aqua PA who are also having a problem with beaver damage at the reservoir. They gave him a contact for beaver trapping. Mr. Young also suggested contacting the PA Game Commission.

Zoning/Planning/Codes: Mr. Hunsinger advised that the code officer's report is on file.

Mr. Fry believes the flood plain ordinance is still at the county, or they may have forwarded it on to the state. He will follow up.

Road Committee: Mr. Fry advised that engineering specifications and plans for the Second Street project were submitted to the county. The delay last year was for the shallow storm water pipe crossing the street that had to be redesigned. The hope is to start this project as soon as the weather breaks in April.

The Arlington Street project was completely closed out last year.

Concerning the road repair plan, Mr. Fry advised that the 200 block of Cherry State is not appropriate for overlay but may have to be milled and the sub base replaced. Input from Cowan Associates is needed. Mr. Fry is looking into whether or not we can apply for a CDBG grant for that street. At the recent meeting with Todd Nagle, Cowan Associates also suggested looking at repairing a street in Colonial Village such as a section of Blaker Drive or Morris Road. Also, the overlay between Third and Hamilton Streets did not hold up.

Finance Committee: Mr. Pugh made a motion that we pay the bills. Seconded by Mr. Huff and unanimously approved.

Mr. Pugh made a motion that the Treasurer's Report be approved. Seconded by Mr. McCluskie and unanimously approved.

Personnel Committee: Mr. Fry advised that after 90 days of employment Joel Pilgert has performed his job duties satisfactorily and recommends he receive his permanent rate. Ms. Hunsinger made a motion that Joel Pilgert get a \$1.00 per hour raise. Seconded by Mr. Steinert and unanimously approved.

Property Committee: Mr. Fry is working on getting signs posted this month at the clubhouse for no trailer or overnight parking.

Mayor Sloyer confirmed that the new curtains for Borough Hall were \$227.00.

Waste Management Report: Mr. Pugh advised that monthly reports are on file. The trash hauler contract will expire at the end of 2016. A committee meeting will need to be scheduled. Mr. Grubb asked if a hauler can be contracted to take both waste and recycling. Mr. Fry advised that we always seek bids for recycling as well, but in the past it's been more expensive to contract out the recycling than to have the Borough do it.

Recycling Committee: Nothing.

Sewer Authority: No report.

Revitalization: Nothing to report.

Regional Planning: Nothing to report.

Emergency Management: Nothing to report.

Borough Manager Updates: Concerning the Mohr escrow release, Mr. Fry advised that he is waiting for the well driller's certificates of closure for the two monitoring wells in School Alley and one on Fourth Street. He recommends releasing the escrow upon receipt of the certificates. Mr. Pugh made a motion to approve the Mohr escrow release contingent upon the supplying of certificates of closure, seconded by Ms. Thomson. Roll call vote: Mr. McCluskie – aye, Mr. Pugh – aye, Ms. Thomson – aye, Mr. Huff – aye, Mr. Young – aye, Ms. Hunsinger – aye, Mr. Steinert - aye. Motion carried.

Correspondence: A donation request was received from the Delaware County Firemen's Association. No action was taken by Council.

Other Business: Mayor Sloyer advised that East Greenville Fire Company Officers for 2016 are Jason Wilson, Chief; Michael Wetzel, Deputy Chief; James Fry, Assistant Chief; Shawn Shade, Captain; and Rob Shafer, Lieutenant. A summary of the Incident Types for 2015 are on file.

Executive Session: None.

Motion to Adjourn: Being no further business, Mr. Pugh made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Steinert. Meeting adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

Submitted by:



Sharon Kachmar, Borough Secretary