

BOROUGH OF EAST GREENVILLE

BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

July 23, 2013

Call to Order: Mr. Pierson called to order the July 23, 2013, meeting of Borough Council at 7:30 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Attendance: The following Council members were present: Josiah Pierson, Ryan Pugh, Andrew Rock, Leon Steinert, and James Young. Mr. Huff is traveling for work. Also present were: Ryan Sloyer, Mayor, Barry Tomlinson and Steven Kramer, Solicitors, and James Fry, Borough Manager.

Approval of Minutes: Hearing no additions or corrections, Mr. Young made a motion to approve the July 1, 2013, minutes. Seconded by Mr. Rock, and unanimously approved.

Visitors: Mr. Mike Schwenk and Mr. Darrell Guldin of East Greenville. Mr. Duane Wickard from the UPSD, Mr. Stuart Bush from The Open Line and Ms. DeAnn Mensch from the Town & Country.

Mr. Schwenk was present to discuss the cat policy. He was informed the Borough will not trap or capture cats but will transport cats to the SPCA. He also asked about weed spraying and was informed the Borough sprayed twice this year. Mr. Fry commented that the weather has been a concern as well as residents parking on the street. He also questioned the progress of the sidewalk repair policy and was informed that a rough plan has been drafted.

Mr. Wickard, MS principal, addressed Council on the proposed traffic pattern change and had some concerns on having buses and parents dropping off at the same location at the back of the school. Mayor Sloyer asked Mr. Wickard to check with the school district on placing a crossing guard in front of the MS to help direct the students. Council discussed several proposals to attempt to alleviate problems in front of the middle school. Mayor Sloyer commented on a letter received from the resident at 503 Jefferson Street on similar concerns. Mr. Guldin had questions on placing flashing lights at the middle school. Mr. Fry addressed his concern, commenting on what the engineers have reported to us. Mr. Bush of the Open Line stated the one-way might have vehicles using their driveway/parking lot at the Senior Center as a bypass. He suggested making the 500 block of School Alley one-way south also. Council decided to request the Borough engineers attend the August 5, 2013, meeting.

Police Commission: No Report.

Mayor's Report: Mayor Sloyer publically thanked Mr. Edmund Kuhns for the model of Borough Hall he donated to the Borough.

Solicitor: Atty. Kramer has prepared a Resolution naming officials able to receive confidential tax information from Berkheimer. Mr. Rock made a motion to name Borough Manager, Borough Secretary, Borough Treasurer, and Tax Collector to receive confidential tax information. Seconded by Mr. Pugh and unanimously approved. Atty. Kramer gave Council an update on some proposed changes to Chapter 32 of the Animal Control Ordinance including definitions, and procedures. Atty. Tomlinson asked about Clubhouse parking. Mr. Young reported 10 closest spaces, will be numbered, and dedicated for Clubhouse use only. Five spaces on each side – entrance and exit. Residents would be allowed to park in the remaining eight spaces.

Water Committee: Mr. Rock updated Council on Mr. Saddington's water issue. Mr. Rock reported the treasurer did a spreadsheet over 4 decades of rates because Mr. Saddington's case was unique in that we had no indication there was an issue with the meter. The revised figure is \$758.27. Mr. Rock made a motion to reduce Mr. Saddington's

bill from \$1,034.80 to \$758.27. Seconded by Mr. Young and unanimously approved. Council discussed PECO using our water tank and it brought up many questions/concerns. Council agreed to ask a PECO representative to attend the August 5, 2013, meeting.

Source Water Protection: Mr. Rock reported the SWP meeting will be held at Borough Hall on Thursday, September 19, 2013, beginning at 10:30am.

Zoning/Planning: Council agreed to review the draft of the sidewalk repair plan and discuss the timeframe.

Roads: Mr. Steinert reported that line /curb painting has been mostly completed and should be finished by September. Crack sealing will start when the weather is cooler. Mayor Sloyer asked about using the new PMM sealing for Second, Fourth and or Sixth St. Long Alley repairs are ongoing. Mr. Fry will look into getting estimates. Mr. Steinert reported on looking at a demo dump truck for \$127,465.00. Mr. Fry reported he and the road supervisor had a demonstration on a 2013 International dump truck. After some discussion, Council declined to take action on the dump truck.

Finance Committee: Mr. Young made a motion to pay the bills. Seconded by Mr. Rock and unanimously approved.

Personnel: We still have a vacancy on the Police Review Board for a 2-year term.

Property: Mr. Pierson reported the committee had a meeting and are still reviewing the Parking Draft Ordinance. Mr. Pierson discussed blocking the access road behind the properties on Hamilton, Colonial, and Valley Rd. The committee also discussed other types of vehicles being parked on the Clubhouse parking lot. A walk through the Clubhouse indicated the need for new ceiling tiles and possibly a new floor. The property committee recommends all Borough properties have the same rules and regulations for parking. A motion was made by Mr. Pugh to consolidate Borough property rules and regulations for all Borough owned parks and properties. Seconded by Mr. Rock and unanimously approved. Mr. Fry reported the proposed barricade would be post & chain with a Borough lock and a Knox lock for the Fire Department. The repairs of the Bieler Park sign are nearly completed. Mr. Fry asked about the flowerbeds in front of the Borough Hall if Council would like to replace the mulch with stone or just re-mulch. No action was taken; we will re-mulch, no stone. Capital Equipment stopped at the Borough Hall with a proposal for the Borough to buy a diesel generator along with other equipment at a cost \$6,240.00. No action taken.

Waste Management: No Report.

Recycling: No Report.

Sewer Authority: No Report.

Revitalization: No Report.

Regional Planning: No Report.

Emergency Management: Mr. Fry had nothing new to report on the radio upgrades from the county.

Borough Manager Updates: Mr. Fry reported the Satisfied QNB Loan has been paid. He also discussed the ACT 13 Grant opportunity. The deadline is July 31, 2013, for this year. Council declined filing an application for 2013, but would like to file an application for 2014 with the same project ideas as proposed, new backstop, bleachers, basketball court re-surfacing, etc.

Other Business: Nothing to report.

Executive Session: Mr. Pierson called for an executive session at 9:20 pm for real estate sales/purchase.

The regular meeting was reconvened at 9:48pm and no action was taken.

Motion to Adjourn: Being no further business, Mr. Rock made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:50 pm and seconded by Mr. Pugh Meeting adjourned at 9:50 pm.

Submitted by:

James L. Fry