

BOROUGH OF EAST GREENVILLE
BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
February 2, 2015

Call to Order: Mr. Huff called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Attendance: The following Council members were present: Timothy Huff, Tracey Hunsinger, Josiah Pierson, Ryan Pugh, Leon Steinert and James Young. Also present were Mayor Ryan Sloyer, Stephen Kramer, Solicitor, James Fry, Borough Manager, and Sharon Kachmar, Borough Secretary/Treasurer.

Approval of Minutes: A motion was made by Mr. Pierson to approve the minutes of the January 27, 2015, meeting. Seconded by Mr. Pugh and unanimously approved.

Visitors: Tom Piatek, Montgomery County Public Safety; Jason Wilson; Jeremy Schulz-Arnold

Visitor's Comments: Mayor Sloyer introduced Mr. Tom Piatek, representing Montgomery County Public Safety, and Jason Wilson who were on hand to present an Advanced Certification plaque for emergency management to James Fry. Mr. Piatek explained that in the Commonwealth at the local level only the basic certification is required for the role of emergency management coordinator, but Jim took on an additional series of course work where a lot of it has been voluntary with monthly meetings and additional training in order to attain this advanced level of certification. Jim was thanked by Council for his service and dedication.

Police Commission Report: Mayor Sloyer announced that the monthly allocation is \$48,157.05. At the last meeting, officers were recognized for drug arrests and a vehicle was purchased for \$40,555.00. Vicki Lightcap was elected chairperson, Andrew Rock was elected vice chairperson, and Tim Huff was elected treasurer.

Mayor's Report: Mayor Sloyer reported that he has been speaking with Scott Roth who has been in contact with the local YMCA about the \$10,000 worth of ramps and skate park equipment that is located at Kistler-Bitting park. A possible location would be the blacktop area at the Colonial Village Clubhouse. Mayor Sloyer informed Council how Quakertown Borough operates their skate park; insurance is covered by the borough, equipment is maintained by an outside group and events and activities are scheduled monthly. There is no attendant and the hours for their skate park are the same as the park where it is located. The Mayor asked whether or not Council was interested in him pursuing this further. Everyone on Council agreed that they wanted more detailed information. Mr. Huff suggested we get input from the community that lives adjacent to the proposed area with ideas on how to make it successful.

Solicitor Items: Nothing to report.

Water Committee: Mr. Fry advised that the filter analyzer went bad. A new one is \$1,800 plus installation. Mr. Pugh made a motion to make this purchase under Equipment Maintenance in the budget, seconded by Mr. Steinert. Roll call vote: Mr. Pugh – aye, Mr. Pierson – aye, Mr. Huff – aye, Mr. Young – aye, Ms. Hunsinger – aye, Mr. Steinert - aye. Motion carried.

Zoning/Planning: Code officer's report was emailed. Flood plain ordinance is now at the county level for review.

Road Committee: Road supervisor's report is available for review. Second Street grant paperwork was sent to the county for signatures. Waiting on quote to submit the application for traffic light grant.

Finance Committee: Mr. Pierson made a motion to pay the bills, seconded by Mr. Young. Roll call vote: Mr. Pugh – aye, Mr. Pierson – aye, Mr. Huff – aye, Mr. Young – aye, Ms. Hunsinger – aye, Mr. Steinert - aye. Motion carried.

Mr. Pierson made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report. Seconded by Mr. Pugh and approved unanimously.

Personnel Committee: Ms. Hunsinger advised that the Personnel Committee discussed offering a higher pay rate for part-time employees who have a CDL and are needed to help snow plow in the event of a major storm. Mr. Hunsinger made a motion that any part-time snow plower with a CDL have a pay rate starting at \$12.00 per hour, seconded by Mr. Young. Roll call vote: Mr. Pugh – aye, Mr. Pierson – aye, Mr. Huff – aye, Mr. Young – aye, Ms. Hunsinger – aye, Mr. Steinert - aye. Motion carried.

Property Committee: A request was received to rent the clubhouse to hold a golf fitness clinic. Discussion ensued about whether or not to rent to a for-profit organization since the current policy is for renting to residents and non-profits only. Mayor Sloyer suggested Council broaden their view about how the clubhouse can be utilized on a case by case basis to help lessen the burden of the taxpayers and cover expenses of the clubhouse. Council felt they would need more information about the proposed use before a decision could be made.

Recycling /Waste Mgmt Committee: Nothing.

Sewer Authority: Nothing.

Revitalization: Nothing.

Regional Planning: Mr. Pierson attended a Regional Planning meeting last week. Bill Ritting was nominated for chairperson, Josiah Pierson for vice chair, and Ryan Carpenter for treasurer. Discussed greenway and stewardship study which assesses all natural resources. An update on Perk Up and the wayfinding signs was given by Luanne Stauffer. The East Greenville Borough gateway sign is ready for pick up and installation. Mockups place the sign in front of the Love Upper Perk building at 104 Main Street. Mr. Pierson suggests we apply to PennDOT for a permit to install it in the public right-of-way instead of on private property. Because the design of the sign was outside the scope of what the local district could approve, Mr. Fry understands the district office will assist with the permitting process, but it has to go through the central office to get approved. The first step is to get the sign from Reed Signs, take a look at it and decide where it should be installed.

Emergency Management: Nothing.

Borough Manager Updates: A grate cover located in the brick pavers on the sidewalk in front of Titanium Finishing at 248 Main Street is missing and currently marked with a cone. They were asking who is responsible to replace the grate. Council agreed that the sidewalk and therefore grate cover replacement is the responsibility of the property owner.

Correspondence: None.

Motion to Adjourn: Being no further business, Mr. Pierson made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Young. Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Submitted by:



Sharon Kachmar, Secretary/Treasurer