

BOROUGH OF EAST GREENVILLE
BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

May 4, 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, and Andrew Rock. 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. Rock to approve the minutes of the April 28, 2015, meeting. Seconded by Mr. Pierson and unanimously approved by all except Mr. Huff and Mr. Pugh who abstained from approving minutes due to their absence.

Visitors: Robert Gross; Maureen Gross; Sergei Blair, Town & Country; Karen Kratz; Jim Dougherty; Michael Sikora; Jeanne Cove, UP Valley Library

Visitor's Comments: Jeanne Cove thanked council for their support last year and updated Council on what is going on at the Upper Perkiomen Valley Library.

Councilman Mr. Young arrived at 7:38 p.m.

Police Commission Report: Mayor Sloyer announced that the monthly allocation is \$48,157.05. In response to Mayor Sloyer's question, Mr. Rock advised that the state police were used as a primary a few times when UP Police force was down three officers.

Mayor's Report: Mayor Sloyer advised that East Penn Railroad will partner with us to keep kids off the railroad tracks. No trespassing signs are being posted.

Mayor Sloyer met with Mike Tannous from the YMCA, Scott Roth, Dave Baver and Jim Fry to talk about how to logistically move the skate park from the YMCA property to the clubhouse grounds. The goal is to move it on May 16, 2015. Borough employees may be needed to assist. He will also be looking for volunteers to disassemble, move and set it back up. Cowan Associates will charge \$100 for the cost of overseeing the installation. Mayor Sloyer addressed the visitors and explained that he understands there are concerns and the reason the clubhouse location was selected is because the macadam was there and the minimal cost for the skate park. Cameras on the clubhouse building will be re-positioned so activity can be recorded at the skate park. A visitor questioned the cost of liability insurance and how a claim would affect the Borough. He also questioned whether or not trash receptacles will be available and emptied on a regular basis. Mr. Huff suggested the Mayor spread the word to the community through the Upper Perkiomen Middle School with a flyer about the park hours and rules.

Solicitor Items: Concerning the Arlington Street Project, Atty. Kramer advised that Cowan Associates sent a letter to GoreCon with the intent to release funds and close out the deal. We are waiting for return of signed documents.

Water Committee: Water Supervisor's report is on file.

Zoning/Planning: Mr. Hunsinger remarked that the Code Officer's report was emailed.

Road Committee: Mr. Young reported that the Road Supervisor's report is available for review.

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

Mr. Rock made a motion to approve the Treasurer’s Report as presented. Seconded by Mr. Pugh and approved unanimously.

Now that the costs for the skate park are more defined, Mr. Rock suggested modifying the motion made at the last meeting on the amount to spend towards this project and earmarking the remaining funds in the clubhouse savings account for this project. Mr. Rock made a motion to scale back the not to exceed amount of \$3,000 to \$2,000 for the skate park. Seconded by Mr. Pierson and unanimously approved. Mr. Rock made a motion to transfer \$810.69 out of the Colonial Village Clubhouse bank account, earmark it for the skate park, and close the account. Seconded by Mr. Pugh and unanimously approved.

Personnel Committee: Personnel discussion tabled for executive session.

Property Committee: A resolution is needed to award the parking lot expansion project. It will be advertised and ready to adopt at the May 26, 2015, meeting.

The sewer line at 433 Main Street is clogged. Mr. Fry advised that in a couple of weeks it will be dug up, and a plumber will repair the line.

The owner of the Arlington Street lots for sale won’t release a recent appraisal to the Borough. Mr. Rock made a motion to allow Jim Fry to seek an appraisal on the Arlington Street property not to exceed \$1,000, seconded by Mr. Young. Roll call vote: Mr. Rock – aye, Mr. Pugh – aye, Mr. Pierson – aye, Mr. Huff – aye, Mr. Young – aye, Ms. Hunsinger – aye. Motion carried. The grant application deadline is June 30, 2015.

Recycling/Waste Mgmt Committee: Mr. Pugh advised that reports are on file. Trash bags for 2015 have been ordered.

Sewer Authority: Nothing.

Revitalization: Nothing.

Regional Planning: Nothing.

Emergency Management: Nothing.

Borough Manager Updates: Mr. Fry advised that docStar recently gave a proposal for document storage. The cost is over \$300 a month with subsidies. Council took no action. Mr. Fry suggested Council consider a plan in the next year to preserve the Borough Council minutes which go back as far as 1875.

Copier proposals were received from Stratix Systems and Toshiba. The current copier is nine years. The information will be disseminated to Council for review and placed on the agenda for May 26, 2015.

Correspondence: None.

Executive Session: Mr. Huff called an executive session at 7:58 p.m. to discuss Arlington Street post completion issues and employee matters.

Regular meeting reconvened at 8:17 p.m.

Other: Mayor Sloyer mentioned that for next year's budget Council consider replacing the 1992 Ford Ranger used by Mr. Fry.

Motion to Adjourn: Being no further business, Mr. Rock made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Pugh and unanimously approved. Meeting adjourned at 8:19 p.m.

Submitted by:



Sharon Kachmar, Secretary/Treasurer