

BOROUGH OF EAST GREENVILLE
BOROUGH COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
January 10, 2017

Call to Order: Council President Ms. Hunsinger called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Attendance: The following Council members were present: Joseph Arahill, Tracey Hunsinger, Robert McCluskie, Jennifer Moran, Ryan Pugh, Leon Steinert, and Marita Thomson. Also present were Mayor Ryan Sloyer, Atty. Kramer, Solicitor, James Fry, Borough Manager, and Sharon Kachmar, Borough Secretary/Treasurer.

Visitors: 23 visitors were present.

Executive Session: Ms. Hunsinger advised that an executive session was held at 6:45 p.m. due to pending litigation with police.

Other Business: Ms. Thomson made a motion to authorize moving forward with the mediation process with the Montgomery Bar Association Center for Mediation and Arbitration with Pennsburg Borough regarding Upper Perk Police not to exceed \$3,000.00, seconded by Mr. Steinert. Roll call: Mr. McCluskie – aye, Mr. Pugh – aye, Ms. Thomson – aye, Ms. Hunsinger – aye, Mr. Arahill – aye, Ms. Moran – aye, Mr. Steinert - aye. Motion carries.

Ms. Thomson made a motion to approve the solicitor to attend the upcoming Police Commission meeting. Seconded by Mr. Pugh and unanimously approved.

Public Comment:

Mike Schwenk, 112 Jefferson Street, asked for an explanation of the motion for mediation. Ms. Hunsinger explained that they made a motion to start the process to move forward with formal mediation using the Montgomery Bar Association. This agency would need to be agreed upon with Pennsburg Borough as well.

Jim Raftery, 319 State Street, asked about the cost. Atty. Kramer said it is capped at \$3,000.00. Ms. Hunsinger added that if they are making progress, they can approve additional work. Atty. Kramer said they have a confidentiality agreement with Pennsburg Borough about these meetings and therefore can't discuss details of the meetings. Mayor Sloyer explained that they agreed that any information outside of this motion must go through the solicitors of both Boroughs as a joint press release. In the meantime, in order to keep that trust, they cannot comment further outside of that motion.

Keith Gerhart, 143 Cherry Street, asked if Pennsburg also needs to approve the process. Ms. Hunsinger confirmed that was true.

Jim Kemp, 332 State Street, said a sign that says two-axle trucks only should be placed at the end of Third Street. Mayor Sloyer said it's an enforcement issue, and we must allow for local delivery. Angie Fegely, 501 Third Street, said she attended the Upper Hanover Township meeting, and they were also discussing the detour signs. They are working with PennDOT to get the signs changed and make sure it is appropriately marked. Mayor Sloyer asked Mr. Fry to follow up with township. Mr. Fry confirmed that he already did.

Debbie Finn, 541 Colonial Drive, advised that on Hamilton Road someone leaned a big, glass patio door on a telephone pole, and she is concerned it will fall over.

Motion to Adjourn: Being no further business, Mr. Pugh made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Steinert.
Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Submitted by:

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sharon Kachmar".

Sharon Kachmar, Borough Secretary