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October 2, 2007

The regular monthly meeting of the Elverson Borough Council was held on Tuesday, October 2, 2007. The meeting was called to order by Thomas Hess, Council President, who led the Pledge of Allegiance followed by the Lord's Prayer.

ATTENDANCE: Tom Hess, Gil Bielefeld, Paul McEwen, Merle Stoltzfus, Arleigh Hegarty, Melissa Griesser, Esther Prosser, Fred McMullen, Peggy Kandle Also Present: Mark Stabolepszy and John Mohl

MINUTES: Motion was made by Paul McEwen and seconded by Gil Bielefeld to accept minutes as submitted. *Motion carried.*

TREASURER'S REPORT: Motion was made by Fred McMullen and seconded by Paul McEwen to accept report and pay bills as presented. *Motion carried.*

CORRESPONDENCE:

Tom Hess reported on a letter received from PennDOT. Tom and Merle both stated that they have spoken to Carl Knauer and Tom Fisher to remove their site obstructions. Merle agreed to ask the youth group from Community Evangelical Free Church to remove the rocks. It was also reported that Gary Stoltzfus offered his front end loader.

Discussion of lights and chain fence in the park. Tom, Melissa and Fred will be at park 11:30 Wednesday October 3, to discuss possibilities and report back to council.

PERSONS TO BE HEARD: None

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS:

Mower belt has been replaced.

PARKS AND RECREATION: Mark Stabolepszy presented documentation for final payoff for Ph2 of the Livingood Park.

He indicated that, to the best of his knowledge, the bolts are in place on the bench that had been replaced. Motion by Merle Stoltzfus and seconded by Melissa Griesser to pay retainage. *Motion carried.*

Esther Prosser reported on a meeting with DCNR and the County. Discussion of moving or removing the lights around the basketball court. Tom Hess suggested that council members think about improvements for the park. Esther will contact the previous vendor regarding prices for the surface repairs and fence around the tennis court.

STREETS & LIGHTS: Mark Stabolepszy reported that Park Ave. has been repaired by Quaker Homes. Tom Hess indicated that we must provide an ordinance for shade trees. Merle Stoltzfus requested that Peggy Kandle send drafts to council members for their review and comment prior to sending to Jim Scheffey for final distribution and advertising.

Esther Prosser reported that someone has returned the missing Elverson sign. She will work with Charlie Eckert to add temporary letters to the current park sign.

Peggy will order signs for crossing lanes.

Mark Stabolepszy reported on items that need to be included in the budget. There was also discussion of roadside drainage. His report includes parking lots.

RECYCLING/SOLID WASTE:

Discussion of purchase of trash bags. Merle Stoltzfus suggested that we advertise that the bags can be picked up after hours.

ZONING OFFICER: Report distributed to council members.

PLANNING COMMISSION:

Ron Bailey wants to give impact presentation on New Morgan. Tom will contact him and invite him to the next meeting.

Merle suggested that SSM not review Equestrienne plan until after W. Nantmeal reviews it.

Mark gave update on Quaker Homes subdivision.

MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY: John Mohl reported that DEP still has them on the CAP and CMP. He indicated that SSM is working with DEP to get into compliance. Deposition on the litigation has been rescheduled again for October 25th.

COMMUNICATIONS - Halloween parade is October 17th and Peggy Kandle will announce that Trick or Treat time is 6-8 on Halloween. Esther requested permission to rent light stands for the dark portions of the street. Motion by Gil Bielefeld and seconded by Melissa Griesser to rent light stands for the Halloween Parade. *Motion carried.*

REVITALIZATION - Tom Hess reported that grant funding is available and applications must be submitted by November 14th.

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH: Gil Bielefeld reported on attempted break-in of a property as well as breakin on S. Chestnut Street. He stated that townspeople are needed to participate by taking turns with the drive through town and attending meetings. Discussion of keeping the State Police vs. contracting with Caernarvon Twp.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Twin Valley Fire Dept. budget for 2008 has been executed. Budget request is for payment of \$35,025.00 in June, 2008.

NEW BUSINESS:

Merle/Gil made motion to adopt ordinance 2007-03.

Budget meeting has been scheduled for Tuesday October 16th at 7:00.

Arleigh Hegarty proposed a traffic speed study for Rt. 23 at east and west end as well as 401 in front of the school.

Council approved unanimously.

Having no other business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 8:40.

Respectfully submitted,



Margaret H. Kandle
Secretary/Treasurer