

East Brady Borough Council Meeting Minutes

Media: Evanne Garies

Regular Meeting -04/05/2022
East Brady Borough Council
Room 14 6:00 PM

Meeting brought to order at 6:00 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance and a prayer.

PRESENT: Barb Mortimer, Joe Hillwig, Denny King, Jenny Switzer, Justin Wagner, Joy McCluskey and Mayor Tracy Sheakley.

ABSENT: Bill John

ROLL CALL: As Above

ATTENDANCE: Chevelle Daniels, Toni Henry, Andrew Cypher, Rick Barnett, Sheila and Dan Markel, Evanne Garies, Curtis Double and Chief Malnofsky.

MINUTES: *It was moved by Joe Hillwig and seconded by Justin Wagner to accept the minutes from the previous meeting as presented. Motion carried.*

CITIZENS TO SPEAK: Chevelle Daniels would like to rent the Ladies Locker Room for a Dog Grooming Business. Discussion followed. Rent will be \$250.00 per month for the first 6 months and then \$300.00 afterwards. Rental will begin June 1, 2022.

Motion to approve: Denny King 2nd: Jenny Switzer MC

Dan Markel is one of the Directors of the Petroleum Valley Youth Center. He is trying to raise money to make the rec hall and restrooms handicapped accessible. Dan is asking the Borough for a donation. Council said they were unsure if they could legally donate, but would look into it.

Toni Henry was representing the EBADC and said Clean up day is April 23. She said the switchback at Riverfront Park needs to be cleaned off. Curtis will see if the Fire Dept. can hose it off. The Borough is having the streets swept the week of April 11.

Maintenance Report: Daily work journals provided. Curtis Double was in attendance. He said the dump truck needs the sides repaired. Joe Hillwig said to contact Joe Curran for repairs. Bill Preston's water meter needs replaced.

Curtis said he contacted Nelson's about pipe that is needed. Cost is approx. \$675.00.

Motion to purchase: Joe Hillwig 2nd: Denny MC

Curt has ordered the pipe and fittings for the chlorine booster. Some parts are back ordered. The new battery we purchased for the sewer inspection camera works! Joe commented that Curtis is doing a good job in his role as supervisor.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Police- March 2022 report provided.

Solicitor has provided an ordinance amendment for our nuisance ordinance. Discussion followed. Council directed Mr. Cypher to advertise the amendment.

Motion: Joe Hillwig 2nd: Denny King MC

Resolution 2022-07 to approve applying for Regional Police Grant on behalf of SCCRPD.

Motion: Jenny Switzer 2nd: Justin Wagner MC

Engineer's Report –Engineer's Report provided by Rick Barnett with Senate Engineering. CDBG Projects are progressing. Hiles Excavating have signed the forms and Senate will issue a notice to proceed.

Mr. Barnett has sent a letter to our 2 bulk water customers in anticipation of the contract expiring. Senate will begin a water rate review.

Motion to approve: Joe Hillwig 2nd: Denny King MC

Chapter 94, sewage report is done and was submitted.
Senate also finished the Consumer Confidence Report. It was given to the DEP, our bulk water customers and was put on the water bills to our residential customers.

Water/Sewer- Water committee meeting was held on Monday, March 21, 2022.
Next meeting will be Monday April 25, 2022 at 4 pm in the Borough Office.
We need an input module (\$524.50) and output module (\$547.75) for water plant. HCS will get them.

Motion to purchase: Joe Hillwig 2nd: Jenny Switzer MC
Residential water/sewer bills for the 1st qtr of 2022 were mailed on March 31.
WC Weil has a pump for the sewage plant. They say it costs \$6300.00 to repair or \$7200 for a new one.

Motion to rebuild the one we own: Denny King 2nd: Joe Hillwig MC

Personnel – Mark Simpson resigned. Last day was April 1. Roger Blystone will start as soon as the weather permits.
We will advertise for a full time position with benefits. Joe will review the advertisement prior to publishing.
The personnel committee with conduct interviews.

Streets & Street Lights: Penn Sweeping charges \$130.00 per hour for street sweeping. Last year they spent 10 ½ hours sweeping. They are lined up to sweep the streets the week of April 11.

Building: Luke McCluskey can use his bucket truck to repair the glass block windows in the Gym for \$300.00.

Motion: Denny King 2nd: Justin Wagner MC
Received a card and a \$100 donation from Mike and Cathy Dailey.

Rental Approval: Chevelle Daniels- as above.

Municipal Approval: N/A

Parks and trails: Russ Dudek would like us to clear off the fallen tree from the ice pond down at Riverfront Park. Discussion followed. Susan will contact Jim Simpson for a cost.
Joy asked about the possibility of selling the football field. Discussion followed. Andrew Cypher will look into seeing if that is an option.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: New air compressor from Nelson's (upright with wheels) will be between \$400-\$500.

Motion to purchase: Joe Hillwig 2nd: Justin Wagner MC

NEW BUSINESS: N/A

TRANSFER OF FUNDS: Transferred \$10,000.00 on March 28, 2022, from Special Water to Water Works Checking to cover expenses. Another \$10,000.00 is needed as well.

Motion: Joe Hillwig 2nd: Justin Wagner MC

MONTHLY BILLS:

Motion to pay the bills: Joe Hillwig 2nd: Jenny Switzer MC

Council discussed blighted properties with Attorney Cypher. He will email us some possible legal options.

Motion to adjourn meeting: Jenny Switzer 2nd: Justin Wagner MC

Meeting adjourned at 7:54 pm.

Submitted by: _____

Susan D. Buechele
Secretary/Treasurer