

East Brady Borough Council Meeting Minutes

Media: Evanne Garies

Regular Meeting -09/06/2022
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, Denny King, Jenny Switzer, Bill John, Justin Wagner and Joy McCluskey

ABSENT: Joe Hillwig and Mayor Tracy Sheakley.

ROLL CALL: As Above

ATTENDANCE: Evanne Garies, Curtis Double and Officer Jon Smith.

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

CITIZENS TO SPEAK: None.

Maintenance Report: Daily work journals provided. Curtis Double said they have finished work on McClaine Drive and have spent quite a bit of time on the Football Field. The East Brady Bulldogs had their first game there this past Saturday. There were a lot of people there and the sewer line leaving the restrooms clogged. Curtis said our snakes are not working. He has Chris Hedrick coming on Wednesday to see if he can unclog it. Once we can put the camera down it, we can determine if there are roots in it and if it needs replaced. Discussion followed about our own snake. Curtis will get prices to repair it or possibly replace it. Denny will tell the football team that they should get porta johns for this coming weekend, as well as a dumpster.

Our Snapper riding mower is at Bud's Mowers being repaired. Curtis will look for a parts manual for it.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Police- Office Smith gave the police report for the month of August.

Engineer's Report –Rick Barnett was unable to attend, but sent the engineers report by email.

We have a pay request from Hiles Excavating for the Playground CDBG Grant. \$51,737.00.

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

Pay request from Hiles Excavating for the Lehner Street CDBG Grant: \$37,350.00.

Motion to approve: Denny King 2nd: Justin Wagner MC

The remainder of the information on the report was ongoing issues.

Water/Sewer- The DEP performed their annual inspection of the water plant on Wednesday, August 24, 2022. Inspection went well. No violations. We need to find a way to clean the outside of the standpipe. The Turkey vultures have made a mess.

Operators Report from CWM for June.

Next Water Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, September 19 at 3 pm in the Borough Office.

Personnel – Committee met with Mark Kinkela for his 90 day evaluation. He was given a \$1.50 per hour increase. He will also get uniforms and is eligible for accident insurance. Mark is now using the new Borough cell phone.

Corky Robinson (part time) will be off an unknown amount of time for surgery and recovery.

Streets & Street Lights: Street lights on the bridge were replaced with LED ones on Wednesday, August 17, 2022.

Estimate for paving from Hiles Excavating: Graham St. \$9,650.00 (asphalt cost would be \$7,650.00).

Total cost would be \$17,300.00.

Motion: Denny King 2nd: Justin Wagner MC

The council agreed to pay the cost of the asphalt for paving around the East Brady Volunteer Fire Department building. Cost unknown at this time.

Motion: Denny King 2nd: Jenny Switzer MC

Estimate for paving from Hiles Excavating: Park parking lot and bleacher ramp: \$3,000.00 (asphalt cost would be \$3,206.00) Total cost would be \$6,206.00.

Motion: Jenny Switzer 2nd: Justin Wagner MC

Pam Moore request to vacate Third St from Kellys Way toward the River. The Borough would maintain a right of Way for the sewer line that runs through that area. The property would be split between Mrs. Moore and Gary Ekas, who owns the property on the other side. The council agreed to refer it to our solicitor for advertising and development of an ordinance.

Motion: Joy McCluskey 2nd: Justin Wagner MC

Tracy Brothers recently demolished her father's old house on East First St. Prospect Street comes down and ends at that address. There used to be poles and a retaining wall there. We need to replace 3 or 4 cement retaining wall parts at an approximate cost of \$60 each. Our guys will do the work.

Motion: Denny King 2nd: Joy McCluskey MC

There is brush hanging over several properties, making it difficult and dangerous for cars to see. Bridge Street, property owned by Vivian Cole. The corner of Robinson and 4th Street, property owned by David Bearfield. Bush around the mailbox at the corner of 2nd Street and Kellys Way, property owned by Mr. & Mrs. Beran. Susan will send letters.

Building: We have a terrible roof leak above the library and Room 20. Just discovered it today. Susan will call Kroh in the morning.

Rental Approval: N/A

Municipal Approval: N/A

Parks and trails: Football returned to Graham Field as mentioned in the maintenance report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Barb and Joy attended a meeting in Clarion Township about the situation regarding EMS in Clarion county. Joy gave a report and said she also attended a Task Force meeting. Discussion followed.

NEW BUSINESS: The Borough is allowed to access a .5 mil EMS tax by Ordinance. It will be put into the budget, advertised and accepted for 2023.

Motion: Joy McCluskey 2nd: Denny King MC

CORRESPONDENCE: The second round of ARPA funds are due to arrive the week of September 12th.

MONTHLY BILLS: There are 2 spreadsheets since there were 3 weeks between meetings.

Motion to pay the bills: Denny King 2nd: Justin Wagner MC

Transfer of Funds: There had been no activity in the building capital Improvement fund and we were charged \$5.00. Transferred \$100 from checking to that fund on 8/30/2022.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Not needed.

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:01 pm.

Submitted by: _____

**Susan D. Buechele
Secretary/Treasurer**