

# East Brady Borough Council Meeting Minutes

Media: Evanne Garies  
Leader Vindicator

Regular Meeting -11/01/2022  
East Brady Borough Council  
Room 14 6:00 PM

Budget Meeting held prior to the regular meeting.  
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, ustin Wagner and Joy McCluskey.

**ABSENT:** Bill John and Mayor Tracy Sheakley.

**ROLL CALL:** As Above

**ATTENDANCE:** Curtis Double, Evanne Garies and Rick Barnett.

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

**CITIZENS TO SPEAK:** No one.

**Maintenance Report:** Daily work journals provided.

Curtis reported that the backhoe has been repaired but still needs a hydraulic cylinder replaced. He also said they need to finish hydrant flushing. They are waiting for parts for one of the hydrants on Shady Shores. He needs a propane torch to install the manhole protectors. Susan will purchase one.

**Motion to purchase: Denny King 2<sup>nd</sup>: Joe Hillwig MC**

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Police-** Received a letter from SCCRPD stating that rates will remain the same in 2023. Copy of the October police report provided by the Police department.

**Engineer's Report** –Provided by Rick Barnett with Senate Engineering.

The CDBG Grant for the playground is finished. Pay request is: \$17,723.00.

Change order 1 for increase in contract time for delays. Total project cost: \$69,460.00

CDBG Grant for Lehner Drive is also finished. Pay request is: \$17,623.94.

Change order 1 for increase in contract time for delays. Total project cost: \$111,615.80.

**Motion to approve above costs: Joe Hillwig 2<sup>nd</sup>: Justin Wagner MC**

We have applied for several LSA Grants. Project selection is scheduled for Nov. 15, 2022.

There are several new grant funding opportunities. We will wait to see if we are getting any of the LSA Grants, and then decide if we will apply for new ones.

Rick provided a spreadsheet for what a new salt shed would cost.

We are still waiting for the NPDES Permit Renewal.

**Water/Sewer-** Water meeting held Wednesday, Oct 26. Next meeting will be Wed. Nov. 16. Received the quote from Hey Electric for electrical upgrades at pump station. \$79,780.00. Waiting to see if the grant we applied for is approved. Tabled acceptance until next meeting.

Installation of new sewer line on School Street & 1<sup>st</sup> St. Curtis said he is not comfortable digging this line. After discussion, Joe said he will talk to Jace Hiles about installing the line.

Joy asked about security cameras at our wells. Rick said this would be a good thing to add to a water grants. In the meantime, Curtis said he would call Terry Beamer about a cost.

**Personnel** – Dean would like to take 5 days of vacation, Nov. 4,7,8, 9 & 10.

**Motion to approve: Denny King 2<sup>nd</sup>: Justin Wagner MC**

Received a letter from Harold "Corky" Robinson's doctor saying he is cleared to return to work with no restrictions. He will remain at part time status.

**Motion: Joe Hillwig 2<sup>nd</sup>: Joy McCluskey MC**

**Streets & Street Lights:** Marc Scarbek with Penndot came Tuesday, 10/25 and looked at potential projects in the Borough. He suggested that we wait till spring and apply for a DCED grant for a big project on Ferry Street above Maple Terrace. He looked at our salt shed and agreed that it needs to be replaced.

He suggested applying for county aid to pay for storm sewer jetting.

***Motion to approve: Justin Wagner 2<sup>nd</sup>: Jenny Switzer MC***

**Building:** Building leases will increase by \$25 per month as of January 1, 2023.

***Motion to approve: Denny King 2<sup>nd</sup>: Joy McCluskey MC***

Denny met with a man who has a girlfriend who is interested in renting Room 1 as a new hair salon. They will attend the next meeting.

Denny needs approval to buy a new toilet for the men's room.

***Motion: Joe Hillwig 2<sup>nd</sup>: Jenny Switzer MC***

**Rental Approval:** Heather Jones wants to rent the Locker Room and Gym for Friendsgiving on Thanksgiving. Will be using it for 4 hours. \$175.00 plus 2 extra hours. Total rental cost is \$275.00.

***Motion: Denny King 2<sup>nd</sup>: Justin Wagner MC***

**Municipal Approval:** Demolition of Chip & Roxann Ryan's old house. Paperwork is in order.

***Motion: Joe Hillwig 2<sup>nd</sup>: Denny King MC***

**Parks and trails:** EBADC would like the maintenance guys to haul the bases for the Christmas trees to the Veteran's Park and then to put them away in January. Council agreed as long as the lights are removed.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** Received a draft of an ordinance from Andrew Cypher that vacates 3<sup>rd</sup> street at the bottom of Brady Hill. It is the land between Pam Moore and Gary Ekas. Mrs. Moore's attorney will have to submit the right of way letter first.

Denny asked if we have heard anything about 205 First Street, which is the house above the new bank. Susan will ask Tyler Heller.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Softline Data (our billing program) has been purchased by gWorks.

Armstrong Cable will put up our Christmas Lights on Thursday Nov. 17.

The Budget for 2023 is ready to be advertised and adopted at the next meeting.

***Motion: Jenny Switzer 2<sup>nd</sup>: Justin Wagner MC***

The tax ordinance is ready to be advertised and adopted at the next meeting.

***Motion: Denny King 2<sup>nd</sup>: Joe Hillwig MC***

**CORRESPONDENCE:** Letter from McGill, Power & Bell for Auditing services. Need to return signed contract. Fees will NOT exceed \$6,800.00.

***Motion to accept: Joe Hillwig 2<sup>nd</sup>: Justin Wagner MC***

**MONTHLY BILLS:** Add Paris to the bills to pay, \$280.37.

***Motion to pay the bills: Joe Hillwig 2<sup>nd</sup>: Denny King MC***

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Entered into Executive session at 7:01 pm.

Back in session at 7:16 pm. No action taken.

***Motion to adjourn meeting: Jenny Switzer 2<sup>nd</sup>: Justin Wagner MC***

***Meeting adjourned at 7:16 pm.***

***Submitted by: \_\_\_\_\_***

***Susan D. Buechele  
Secretary/Treasurer***