

East Brady Borough Council

Meeting Minutes

Media: Evanne Garies
Leader Vindicator

Regular Meeting -3/2/2021
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, Bill John, Jason Sheakley and Justin Wagner.

ROLL CALL: As Above

ABSENT: Mayor Tracy Sheakley

ATTENDANCE: Evanne Garies, Rick Barnett, Chief Bob Malnofsky and Paul Winslow.

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

CITIZENS TO SPEAK: Paul Winslow. Mr. Winslow is a resident of East 3rd St. He is concerned about water running on the street from a spring. It causes the street to be a sheet of ice in the winter. There is a storm drain, but the catch basin is too high and the water does not flow in it. Joe told him he would have the guys salt the street and we would look into the problem.

Maintenance Report: None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Police- The council was asked if they had any questions about joining a regional police force. No one did. Motion to have East Brady Borough join a new Regional Police Department.

Motion: Jason 2nd: Joe MC All in favor.

Chief Malnofsky gave a report. They handled 33 calls in East Brady using 130 hours. Denny congratulated the chief on removing the abandoned jeep along Ferry Street. There are also 2 abandoned vehicles behind the boat works that he is working on getting removed.

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

- A. Our CDBG Grants are on hold pending environmental approval with the County.
- B. They need info from CWM about the pressure reducing valve vault.
- C. Water Projects: Standpipe inspection. Senate is looking into the cost of an inspection.
Standpipe SCADA Backup power.
Pump house generator
Well #2 enclosures
Motor operator for Valve Vault
Caustic feed upgrades. Evidently the lines where the caustic soda is being added are getting clogged with caustic. Lengthy discussion followed as to causes and possible solutions.
Discussion as to how we will finance these projects. Rick suggested a Pennvest loan. The cap for the loan is \$500,000.00. He will get us details.
- D. The 2020 Chapter 94 Report has been submitted.
- E. We are still waiting for our NPDES Permit to be renewed.

Water/Sewer- Received a quote from Penn Fencing to put a 8 ft high chain link fence around the water tower. Quote was \$13,146.63. Upon review, the quote had a number of errors. Rick said we need to get other quotes also. He will also look into how far away from the tower the fence needs to be. Tabled decision for now.

Personnel – N/A

Streets & Street Lights: Ordinance for vacating unopened portion of Bridge Street has been advertised once. Will be again this coming week. It will be on agenda for approval at next meeting.

Received an email from Moranda Beabout about the road going up to the water tower. She lives next to it.

We have received our Liquid Fuels allocation for 2021, which was \$40,909.73.

We need to arrange to have the streets swept this spring since we did not do it in 2020.

Building: We have another roof leak down by the entrance to the gym. Will call Kroh's and remind them.

Rental approvals: N/A

Municipal Approvals:

Parks and trails: Barb and Denny have been talking to Bob Roach with Senate about our CDBG Grant for Park upgrades.

Our new security system/cameras have been installed at the park and water and sewage plants.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: N/A

NEW BUSINESS: Susan needs to have a letter approved to send to AmTrust (workers comp ins.) telling them that we are going to use a different insurance broker.

Motion: Jenny 2nd: Justin MC

CORRESPONDENCE: N/A

TRANSFER OF FUNDS: Not needed.

MONTHLY BILLS: ***Motion to pay the bills: Joe 2nd: Jenny MC***

Motion to adjourn meeting: Jenny 2nd: Justin MC

Meeting adjourned at 7:06 pm.

Submitted by: _____

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