

East Brady Borough Council

Meeting Minutes

Media: Evanne Garies
Leader Vindicator

Regular Meeting -4/6/2021
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, and Justin Wagner.

ROLL CALL: As Above

ABSENT: Mayor Tracy Sheakley, Bill John, Jenny Switzer and Jason Sheakley.

ATTENDANCE: Evanne Garies, Drew Morgan, Tony Truelove, Steve Boyle, Rick Barnett, Chief Bob Malnofsky and Dean Murray.

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

CITIZENS TO SPEAK: **Drew Morgan.** Mr. Morgan recently purchased 400 Kellys Way. He is concerned about Art Bossetti putting a parking lot very close to the side of his home. He stated that if the Borough abandoned Ferry Street between his home and Mr. Bossetti's building, then the property should be split evenly. Joe stated that he is correct. We allowed Mr. Bossetti to have room enough for 4 parking spaces, so that he could have county approval to build. Joe said we would refer the issue to our Solicitor.

Tony Truelove. Mr. Truelove owns a piece of property on Purdum Street. He says there is an unopened alley that runs between his property and the Downing house. He asked the Borough to abandon the alley and split it between he and Mrs. Downing. That issue will be referred to the solicitor also.

Steve Boyle. Mr. Boyle lives on 3rd Avenue. He recently installed a trap on his sewer line because he was getting a sewer gas smell in the house. He put in a One Call request. He said Dean marked the line, but it was 10 feet off, costing him extra money. Discussion followed. He asked why they didn't use the camera to accurately locate the line.

Maintenance Report: None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Police- Report for the month provided by Chief Malnofsky. They responded to 35 incidents and used 137 hours. Barb asked the Chief to be on the lookout for kids on scooters as well as underage kids driving 4 wheelers. The Chief said we need to finalize the traffic/parking ordinance. The police committee will meet with him on the Borough office Tuesday, April 13 at 4 pm.

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

1. CDBG Projects on hold pending County Approval. We will need an extension.
2. Water Projects:
 - a. Storage tank Inspection. We received a bid for \$2500.00 to inspect both tanks.
Motion to approve: Joe 2nd: Justin MC
 - b. Well sediment issues. Moody's has been sold to Jeff Perdue. Mr. Perdue gave a quote for well inspection.
Motion to approve: Denny 2nd: Joe MC
 - c. Standpipe SCADA Backup power. Electrical engineer is working on it and will attend the next Water committee meeting.
 - d. Pump house Generator. Electrical engineer working on this also. Approval for Rick to go ahead with the design to hook up both pump stations to existing generator.
Motion: Joe 2nd: Denny MC
 - e. Well #2 Enclosure.
 - f. Caustic Feed upgrades. Lengthy discussion followed. Not easy to figure out.

- g. Pennvest Funding application. Rick says we have to have permits in hand before we can apply. Decided to apply for Electric work, Well 2 building and Generator with Pennvest funds.
Motion: Justin 2nd: Denny MC

3. Senate needs information from CWM about pressure reducing valve vault. Susan to send an email to Aaron with CWM.
4. WWTP NPDES Permit renewal still pending.

Water/Sewer- The 1st Qtr bills were mailed March 31, 2021.

Mike Curran owns 405 Purdum Street. He had a high usage bill the last quarter of 2020. He says the meter was leaking. The meter was outside and has been relocated inside. Joe said he would talk to Jace about it, because Jace was the one who worked on it.

We need to have CWM work on the clarifiers and Brackets at the sewage plant.

Motion: Joe 2nd: Denny MC

We need to order a backup chlorine booster pump.

Motion: Joe 2nd: Justin MC

We are getting a chain-link fence around the standpipe in East Brady. We need to get an estimate for the same thing at the Rimersburg tank.

Denny says the outdoor overhead lights that are at the sewage plant are not working. Joe suggested we call Hey Electric.

Motion: Joe 2nd: Denny MC

Personnel – Joe would like to advertise for 2 part time employees for summer time mowing/weed whacking. 29 hours per week. Must be at least 18 years old. \$10 per hour.

Motion: Joe 2nd: Denny MC

Streets & Street Lights: Dean says there is a street light out on Ferry Street and one out on the Bridge crossing the river. It is on the Bradys Bend side of the river. Susan will call Hey about the Bridge light.

Our Streets were swept by Penn Sweeping on Monday, April 5. They did a very good job.

Suggestions for street paving: Prospect street in Hardscrabble and Rex Hide Drive. Rex Hide Drive is not a street that we receive Liquid Fuels for. We will have to just patch it for not.

Email from Chris Zona about Verner St. Joe suggested we put 2A limestone on it. We will have to ask Chris Zeigler with Armstrong Trail about it.

Building: We had a power outage that lasted a few hours. When the power went out the big generator at the Community Center kicked on, but it took over an hour before every other light in the hallways went on. Suggest we call PALCO and have them come look at it.

Motion: Justin 2nd: Denny MC

Rental approvals: N/A

Municipal Approvals: N/A

Parks and trails: Our Veteran's banners are going back up this year.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Advertisement placed for sale of 2004 Truck with spreader and plow as well as 2001 Ambulance. Bids will be opened May 4 at council meeting.

NEW BUSINESS: Thanks to the American Rescue Plan, East Brady Borough will be receiving \$89,574.00. We should receive the first payment of \$44,787.00 in June. The remainder will come 1 year later. Must be spent by 2024. Council will start thinking of good uses for the money.

MONTHLY BILLS: There were 2 spreadsheets since we had 3 weeks between meetings.

Motion to pay the bills: Joe 2nd: Denny MC

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Council entered into Executive session at 7:11 pm to discuss a legal issue. Back in session at 7:21 pm. No action taken.

Motion to adjourn meeting: Denny 2nd: Justin MC

Meeting adjourned at 7:22 pm.

Submitted by: _____

Susan D. Buechele
Secretary/Treasurer

