

East Brady Borough Council

Meeting Minutes

Media: None

Regular Meeting -7/20/2021
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, Justin Wagner and Mayor Tracy Sheakley.

ROLL CALL: As Above

ABSENT: Jason Sheakley.

ATTENDANCE: Philip Ahn, Steve Boyle, Dewaine & Michelle Gillott, Dean Murray, Joy & Lucas McCluskey, Harrison Fox and Angela Burtner (arrived late).

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

CITIZENS TO SPEAK: Philip Ahn. Mr. Ahn live in the Low Rise Apt 3. He received a very high water/sewer bill. His previous bill had no usage. Joe said to make a work order for a new meter and to bill him for 3,000 gallons per quarter. Susan will make adjustments to bill and notify him of the new balance due.

Steve Boyle. Mr. Boyle had attended a previous meeting and said that he had replaced his sewer line. He said his excavator put a one call in to have the lines marked and that Dean did not mark them correctly. This resulted in more digging than necessary. He asked for compensation, but did not give a figure. He will have to provide an itemized bill to council.

Dewaine and Michelle Gillott. Mr. & Mrs. Gillott want to build a garage on vacant land that they own on Robinson St. They need a bit more room than the setbacks allow. They have obtained a variance from the Snow Family on one side. Beth Kaufman on the other side will not give him the variance. It would be a 1 foot area where the eve of the roof would overhang. Council said they believe that it is only the building that matters, but that they would check with the solicitor.

Municipal Approval: Motion: Justin 2nd: Bill MC

Joy and Lucas McCluskey. Lucas would like to demolish the house he owns at 705 Robinson St. that is vacant and build a garage there.

Municipal Approval: Motion: Denny 2nd: Joe MC

There is an unopened alley behind the property that they would like the Borough to vacate. They have already had a survey done. Matter will be referred to the Solicitor.

Angela Burtner. Mrs. Burtner owns 705 Grant St. She was cited for high grass/weeds. She stated that she was renovating the property and wants a letter from the council saying so. Discussion followed. Matter referred to the Solicitor.

Maintenance Report: None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Police- Justin attended the meeting of the Regional Police Department. The new president will be Gordon Barrows. The Vice President will be Tim Yeane. They have lots of work to do.

Our Nuisance ordinance requires a new letter to be sent with every violation. The police chief would like it to be amended. Refer to solicitor.

Motion: Joe 2nd: Jenny MC

Engineer's Report –None

Water/Sewer- Boil water advisory 7/16/2021. Problem fixed. We need 2 rounds of good testing done. The first round was good. A second round to be done Wednesday and if it is OK then advisory will be lifted Thursday July 22, 2021.

Quote from HCS to replace computer at sewer plant: \$3,257.00

Motion: Joe 2nd: Denny MC

Quote from HCS to Purchase and install digital chart recorder (Water plant): \$2,200.00

Motion: Joe 2nd: Denny MC

Bowman's in Zoelle campground had a leak in meter pit. Copy of bill provided. Susan will give them credit for 18,000 gallons of sewer.

Beabout Auto had a water leak. Copy of bill provided. Susan to estimate average bill and give them sewer credit.

Motion: Denny 2nd: Jenny MC

Personnel – N/A

Streets & Street Lights: Marc Skarbec and Jim Scheppis from Penndot came and looked at Ferry St. They sent an email with suggestions for repair. Discussion followed. We need to have the weeds trimmed back on the sides of the road. Joe will see if we can use or rent Bradys Bend's equipment. We may be able to install speed humps to slow traffic. Discussion followed about the possibility of making Ferry Street one way from Maple Terrace to the top.

Work in East 2nd Street has begun. Curbing has been installed.

Building:

Rental approvals: Lisa Williams would like to lease Room 3 for \$150.00 per month.

Motion to Approve: Joe 2nd: Justin MC

Municipal Approvals: Approved in Citizens to Speak.

Parks and trails: Angela Burtner asked when the tree that fell down during a storm (in Riverfront Park) was going to be cleaned up. It is covered in poison ivy. Council said when the ivy is dead. It is not blocking anything.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: N/A

NEW BUSINESS: N/A

CORRESPONDENCE: N/A

TRANSFER OF FUNDS: Not needed.

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

Motion to adjourn meeting: Jenny 2nd: Justin MC

Meeting adjourned at 6:57 pm.

Submitted by: _____

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