

Eagles Mere Borough

Minutes

June 6, 2016

The Eagles Mere Borough Council meeting was called to order at 7 PM on the above date by President Feese with Mayor Joan Werner and the following Council members and in attendance: Dave Werner, Walter Haussmann, Richard Liebert. VP Loftus was attending the Spring PSAB Conference. Also in attendance Secretary/Treasurer Wilson. In the gallery: J. Moore, K. Smith, L. Middleton, B. Zelten, & R. Lobach.

Public Comments: no issues were presented.

Minutes- for the previous monthly meeting were approved on a motion from Mr. Haussmann and seconded by Mr. Werner.

Treasurer's Report – Written reports for the previous month were distributed with the agendas and approved with the minutes.

Street Superintendent Report: written reports were emailed and will be discussed later in with Infrastructure committee recommendations.

Open Records Officer: a second request for tax payer reports has been provided within the allotted time to Signature Information Solutions.

Ordinance & Zoning Officer's Report-

One parking ticket is still pending from 2015.

6 Sidewalk notices were sent to owners- 3 permits have been issued to date and completed.

Issue at Milligan's was investigated. They are building a Bocce Ball court and the structure was determined to be retaining walls. No violations were found. Owner and neighbor advised of outcome.

Business Conducted –

Paving Contact was slightly over budget, but the final invoice was less than what the quote was from HRI, Inc. It was very close to the budget amount. Mr. Moore was commended on his management of the project and holding the line on cost overruns from the contractor.

4th of July Parade- permits are all in order and everyone has been given copies of the application.

Shade Tree Commission- Lee Middleton gave the commission's report. The hemlock in question at the Crestmont entrance was inspected by Forester Jaquith who recommended the tree be removed and the STC agreed. Mr. Faulkner will be notified that this tree should be removed and be done by September 30. Arbor Day-breakfast and lunch were poorly attended due to the EM Conservancy having the same volunteers doing work elsewhere. The 5 trees that were purchased and planted were done by Jerry Dunham and Junior Rider during the week, so there wasn't much to do. Future Arbor Day activities will be re-evaluated for coordinating

events and volunteers. The next meeting will be held the end of June to discuss procedures and guidelines for tree removal. Once a date and time are set this meeting will be advertised.

General Code Publishers- digitized minutes were received and there are some documents missing or miss labeled. Ms. Wilson will contact the company to get this corrected. They haven't been paid as yet.

Ethics forms are still due from a few officials.

Maynard new construction- Penelec Right of Way under Summit Avenue has been written and was signed by the President. It will be recorded and copies sent to Penelec and Ms. Maynard.

Frontier/Internet- the conference phone has been fixed by Frontier at their end. The modem and router have been moved to the office to be able to hard wire. connect to the computer. A stronger router or booster may be needed to reach the Branch Building. So far it has been working okay.

NIMS- training for elected officials- IS100 and IS700 are basic training courses that should be completed by the elected officials. There is an ID # that is needed to complete the testing to get credit for training. Ms. Hastings will be consulted as to where this number can be found. President Feese will email the link to everyone for their convenience. He will also try to get course content. It was suggested that the council split and half take the IS100 and the rest take IS700.

Spring Cleanup is June 17-19. D&L Enterprises had the lower prices for hauling, the tipping fees are the same. D&L was chosen to provide dumpsters on a motion from Mr. Haussmann, seconded by Mr. Liebert. He will also bring a container for electronics for free. A Signup sheet is available for those who can monitor the dumpsters.

PSAB- Our delegate will be voting on their constitution on June 8 regarding officers terms and elections, identifying the roll of the nominating committee to certify eligibility of candidates for second vice president, etc.

PUC is looking for comments regarding mini cell towers.

Walter Haussmann has tendered his resignation effective June 7, 2016. It was accepted with regret on a motion from Mr. Werner, seconded by Mr. Liebert.

Matt Andrews- was nominated to replace Mr. Haussmann on a motion from Mr. Liebert and was seconded by Mr. Werner. He will be advised of the appointment and given the residency affidavit to complete.

Grass growing along many streets needs attention. Council determined that this is the responsibility of the property owner, not Borough employees. There are some areas that are not developed or groomed that the Borough does trim, but for developed property the owner should remind their service people that they need to trim to the edge of the street. A friendly letter will be sent asking residents to be aware of this.

Crosswalk and parking at the General Store- On a motion from Mr. Liebert, seconded by Mr. Werner it was determined that the 15 minute parking be removed in front of the General Store and to not re-establish the crosswalk at the upper location. This will be referred to the ordinance committee to get the ordinance amended.

Carl Rider Road- needs 2 more 15 MPH signs posted to slow down the trucks using that road. This was approved on a motion from Mr. Werner, seconded by Mr. Haussmann. This speed limit needs to be amended in the ordinance.

Parking on Lewis Lane- the fire lane is being used for parking along the street by several neighbors. This will be referred to the Infrastructure Committee. The Code

officer will be asked to keep an eye on the situation and get notice to the home owners that there is no parking allowed along fire lanes.

North Financial(WARD) pool needs to be drained and cleaned. It is a health hazard and the Code Officer will be asked to check it out and notify the owners.

Peddler's Permit has been issued and approved by the Council for the BBQ at Moose Crossing on the 4th of July on a motion from Mr. Haussmann, seconded by Mr. Liebert.

Mayor's Report: She will perform a wedding July 3.

Committees:

Museum : Marge Byrne was approved to begin work at the Museum Shop starting in July. Both shop keepers will be graduating and leaving the area. This was approved for \$8/hour on a motion from Mr. Haussmann, seconded by Mr. Werner. Advertising for new shop keeper will be done later this summer. A grant application has been submitted to the EM Foundation to install sound proofing ceiling tiles on the second floor.

Infrastructure: see business conducted.

Finance: Paving project is a big success. Graveling along the edges of some streets is a big improvement. The leaf vac was purchased for less than budgeted. Tax receipts are coming in and in a strong position now.

Personnel: Shirts with names and EM Borough on the back were recommended by the committee. Pants and boots reimbursements are under considerations.

Website:

Secretary's Notes:

The bills were ordered paid for the Borough and Museum by motion from Mr. Werner, seconded by Mr. Haussmann.

The meeting was adjourned by of the President.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kay L. Wilson
Secretary/Treasurer