## **Eagles Mere Borough Minutes**

# December 2, 2024 Regular Monthly Meeting

The Eagles Mere Borough Council meeting was called to order at 7 PM on the above date by Vice President Jim Way with the following Council members in attendance in the room: Dennis Craig, Jan Johnson, Richard Liebert, and Tom Graff. Also, present were Mayor John Brownback, Jeremy Moore Street Superintendent, and Secretary Julie Norton.

In the Gallery: Ed Kassab, Charlie Lockard, Liz Johnson, Doug Steck and Brian Smith.

The pledge of Allegiance was recited by all in attendance.

**Quorum Present:** Council Vice President Jim Way declared that a Quorum was present based on Council Members in the room.

<u>Public Issues and Comments:</u> Charlie Lockard from Lockard insurance discussed the 2025 Workers' Comp insurance premiums for the Borough, the Museum, and the Fire Company. Liz Jonson is concerned with sidewalk maintenance by residents in the winter time. Residents, please remember to clean sidewalks from snow and ice this winter.

<u>Minutes:</u> A motion to approve the minutes of the November 2024 regular meeting was made by Tom Graff and seconded by Dennis Craig. All in favor. The motion passed.

<u>Treasurer's Report</u> –Reports through November 31, 2024, as presented. Motion to accept the Treasurer's report made by Tom Graff, seconded by Rick Liebert. All in favor. The motion was approved.

## **Zoning & Ordinance Officer report**: November Report

63 Linwood Ave - Tom and Diane McElheney - approved for an addition by the Zoning Hearing Board.

83 Forest Ave - Walter Gilmore - approved for an addition by the Zoning Hearing Board. Loch Eagle Lane - Amy Woodcock - Approved - building new home.

101 Church Street- Heart of Mary Parish - Approved - adding handrails to walkway.

**<u>Street Superintendent Report</u>**: Included with Infrastructure Committee.

Mayor's Report: No Report

<u>New Business</u>: By a vote Eagles Mere Authority made Amendments to EMBA Resolutions adopted 11-21-24. A copy of these amendments is included with the agenda. A letter of user charges and EDU assessment for Accessory Buildings sent to all authority customers.

Statement of Financial Interests given to each council member at the December meeting to be filled out for the year 2025.

Old Business: NA

### **Committees:**

#### Finance:

The duly advertised proposed 2025 budget passed with a motion from Dennis Craig, seconded by Tom Graff. All approved, the motion passed unanimously.

Dennis made the motion to accept the duly advertised proposed Ordinance #2024-05 to set the Fire Tax at .24 mil. The motion seconded by Rick Liebert. All in favor. The motion passed unanimously.

Jan Johnson motioned to approve the set 2025 Tax Rate Resolution as follows.

- Tax Rate for general purposes shall be 2.167 mil.
- Tax Rate for Fire Company Services shall be .24 mil.
   The total Tax Rate for real estate in the Borough shall be 2.407 mil.

Jan's motion seconded by Dennis Craig. All in favor. The motion passed unanimously.

Museum: No Report

**Infrastructure:** Jeremy expressed concerns with the seal coat on Eagles Mere Ave and Laporte Ave. Jeremy called Matt Morgan of Penn DOT with his concerns in hopes Penn DOT will clean up of the sealcoat.

Ordinance: No Report

Emergency Management Coordinator's report: No Report

Personnel: No report

#### Website:

Updates continue to be made as needed.

<u>Payment of Bills:</u> Approval of the reviewed outstanding vendor bills (except Lockard Insurance) for the Borough moved by Dennis and seconded by Tom Graff. All in favor, the motion passed unanimously.

<u>Adjournment-</u> The meeting was adjourned by Vice President, Jim Way. Dennis Craig made the motion to close the December Council meeting. The motion seconded by Rick Liebert. All in favor, motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Julie Norton Secretary/Treasurer