

Eagles Mere Borough Minutes

July 1, 2024

Regular Monthly Meeting

The Eagles Mere Borough Council meeting was called to order at 7 PM on the above date by President Lee Middleton with the following council members in attendance in the room: Vice President, Jim Way, Treasurer, Dennis Craig, Kathy McCorkle, Jan Johnson, Tom Graff and Mayor, John Brownback. Also in attendance is Secretary, Julie Norton and Zoning Officer, Malory Matje.

In the Gallery: Ed Kassab, Kate Albertini, Bill Scott, Jim Bishop, Joe Lyons, Julie Savage, Edwina Vauclain, Richard Johnson, Elizabeth John, Bill Albertini Jr., Douglas Steck,

Call to Order-Organizational Meeting: President, Lee Middleton

Motion to Revise the Published Agenda- July 1,2024 agenda revised to include posting of street signs and no parking signs within the borough, posted under new business.

Public Issues and Comments – Joe Lyons, Jim Bishop and Bill Scott presented points of there business, Codes Assessment Professional, to the board.

Liz Johnson discussed the need of people to keep their sidewalks clean and clear of brush as stated in the ordinance #88-16 (F).

Richard Johnson expressed his concern about shifts with the mother-in-law suites and he thinks the new ordinance of 720 sq. feet is going in the wrong direction.

Minutes- A motion to approve the minutes of the previous Regular Meeting of June 3, 2024, was made by Dennis Craig, and seconded by Tom Graff. All in favor. The motion was approved.

Treasurer's Report – Mr. Craig says everything is coming along target and there are positive numbers ahead of the budget. A motion to approve the treasurer report was made by Dennis Craig and seconded by Tom Graff. All in favor. The motion was approved.

Open Records Officer: - 2 RTK requests were noted.

Zoning & Ordinance Officer report: Zoning Report June 2024

6/2/24 Letter Sent to Buzas residence for unpermitted shed.

6/24/24 Jeff Klemens, 436 Alleghany Ave- Yefri Lobo installing- new shed. APPROVED

6/27/24 Mike Rickels, 31 Woodland Ave. Addition – DENIED, rear setbacks cannot be met (33’ need 50’). Zoning Hearing requested.

6/27/24 Follow up with Buzas, Permit will be turned into Borough ASAP.

Street Superintendent Report: Paving on Lakewood Ave began May 28,2024 and the project is finished. The total cost of Lakewood paving is \$81,839.70. \$100,000 was budgeted for this project. Chipping on Carl Rider Rd. and Summit Ave as of June 2, 2024, has been completed. The fog seal will be completed later. The state filled potholes on Route 42 in the town on June 25, 2024

Mayor’s Report: No Report by Mayor

Emergency Management Coordinator’s report: No report.

Committees:

- **Finance:** The continued paving project will be added to the 2024 budget.

Museum: The museum board voted on Monday, June 10, 2024, to request that the borough council transfer \$1500.00 to the museum account. A motion is needed by this board for approval. Motion for approval by Kathy McCorkle and seconded by Tom Graff. All approved. The motion carried.

On June 17, 2024, the Eagles Mere Borough Fund Board voted to approve a request from the Eagles Mere Museum board for an annual distribution of \$7,800 from the Eagles Mere Foundation funds held for the Museum’s benefit. These funds will be used for operating purposes.

- **Infrastructure:** – No report
- **Ordinance:** - As the solicitor failed to see the note of the prior ordinance notification the process was deficient, amendments to the following ordinances in the Eagles Mere Borough Code, Chapter 105 - Zoning, will be reconsidered for approval at the Eagles Mere Borough Council meeting, to be held on Monday, August 5th at 7:00pm. Public comments on the proposed amendments may be made prior to then via email to secretary@emborough.org or in person at a public meeting on Friday, July 19th at 10:00am at the borough hall. Current ordinances are found online at Eagles Mere Borough ecode 360 chapter 105. Changes are underlined or noted. Report by Kathy McCorkle.

- **Personnel:**
- **Website:** Updates continue to be made as needed.

Continuing Business-

New Business: Dennis mentioned the public safety issue with parking on Laporte Ave. from Glass Ave., (on the right side) to Route 42. Also, that Mary Ave. needs no parking markers between handicap spaces painted. The Fire dept. suggests 3 no parking signs at intersections interfering with fire dept. equipment making turns. Dennis made the motion to empower the secretary to be the Parking Enforcement Officer. Kathy McCorkle seconded the motion. All approved. The motion was approved.

Workshops/Conferences- NA

Payment of Bills- Approval to pay the bills through June 30 (as reviewed) by treasurer and street superintendent for the Borough was moved by Dennis Craig and seconded by Jim Way. All in favor. The motion passed.

Adjournment- The meeting was adjourned by the President at 7:52 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Julie Norton
Secretary/Treasurer