

East Prospect Borough Council Meeting
Community Hall, East Prospect, PA
May 7, 2019 @ 7:00 p.m.

On Tuesday, May 7, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. the East Prospect Borough Council was called to order by President Don Barshinger, and opened with the pledge to the American flag.

Present: Victor Dodson, Mick Regel, Don Barshinger, & Ed Gobat. Others in attendance: Mayor Matt Mann, Treasurer Marian Hunter, and Secretary Mindy Barshinger. Absent: Jerry Hanson.

Minutes of the April 2, 2019 meeting were approved as distributed.

Payment of bills: Motion by Victor Dodson, seconded by Ed Gobat, to approve and pay the general account bills and accept the treasurer's report as presented. Motion carried.

Patrons: Steve Olkowski, Eric Zeiset, and Katie Keller (Red Lion Auto Salvage), Gardner & Shane Fryberger, Blaine & Kim Godfrey, Jerry Wolfe, Connie & Tom Anderson, Dwayne Immel, and Jeff Fitch. The Anderson's voiced concerns about usage of the alley beside their property....in the past, gutters have been knocked off and buildings damaged....Steve O. stated the property has been surveyed and a tow company has been contacted to remove all vehicles which are parked on the grass on Lemon Avenue, at the owner's expense...Steve also mentioned that he is fixing up the buildings and is going to install a fence around the property. No car crusher will be on the property....Kim Godfrey asked how the property is to be used- Steve said that he has not decided yet whether or not to use it as a scrap yard. Steve also showed Council a flyer which was distributed to residents, asked if a soliciting permit is needed to solicit for signatures....No permit needed because when someone is soliciting, they are trying to sell something to make money. Banter went back and forth for several minutes....Don Barshinger told all present that Council does not become involved in disputes among neighbors.

On a motion made by Victor Dodson, seconded by Mick Regel, Dwayne Immel was appointed a member of the Zoning Board. Motion carried.

On a motion made by Mick Regel, seconded by Ed Gobat, Gary Dedrick was appointed as an alternate member of the Zoning Board. Motion carried.

Old Business: Street Signs – working on/in progress

Street bids – Engineer Dave Lipinski sent an e-mail stating that no bids were received to perform the labor for the street work. He recommended we wait a few months to see if we can get contractors then. Some are too busy, some have their bonding to the limits, and some have enough private work. Dave also said that Holley & Associates had bids out for multiple municipalities and only received one bid, which was double the estimate Holley gave. One bid was received for materials, but without a contractor to install them, a motion must be made to reject the bid.

Victor Dodson made a motion, seconded by Ed Gobat, to 'reject the bids from York Materials Group to furnish and deliver the SuperPave materials.' Motion carried. Council decided to wait a few months to rebid the street paving project.

Noise Ordinance – Council decided not to pursue.

Banners – several banners still have to put up.....Don will contact Jerry Hanson to see if they can be put up as soon as possible...if not, Ed Gobat checked on prices to rent a boom – cost approximately \$ 1,000 per week.

Zoning Officer: see attached report

Mayor's Report: 2nd quarter 2019 newsletter is out – Matt also said he put a video version of the newsletter on his facebook page.....permit was received from PennDot for the parade...PennDot must be called at the start and the end of the parade...still receiving complaints about home mail delivery...Matt was asked to send the complaints to the office so Council could look at them.. Matt said he met with Lloyd Smucker to see if a walking mail carrier is feasible for East Prospect Borough. Matt said he wants people to have the option of home delivery or post office box. Question-if a walking mail carrier is approved, does our address change to Wrightsville or will the carrier be based in East Prospect? Many yards in the Borough need mowed....a list of those properties will be e-mailed to Matt so he can post courtesy notices.

Report of Committees:

Hall Committee – looking into getting a new sink with a sprayer for the kitchen-prices to be obtained.

Street Committee - Mick said the storm drains need to be done...Don & Victor will get together to inspect and Dave Lipinski will be asked to get bids for the repair(s). Street sweeping needs done in Maple Ridge & alleys..... speed sign information passed out...information was e-mailed to PSP, along with a message asking for help with the speeders in the Borough.

Park & Recreation Committee – young man was captured on the camera at the ball diamond, taking a roll of toilet paper, from the jiffy john, and rolling it down Ridge Avenue. Don will order another jiffy john for the playground area. New chains for all the swings have been ordered. Mike Sipe trimmed/pruned the trees around the ball diamond/playground area. Is Council open to the idea of giving him a small gift to show our appreciation? Don is mowing (2) times a week....

Ordinance Committee – Mick Regel made a motion, seconded by Ed Gobat, to ask Atty. Jones to write a resolution upping the fee for a Variance Hearing to \$ 600.00. Motion carried. Atty. Jones will be asked if something could be put in the resolution stating that, if a hearing is set and the date is published, but something occurs that the date must be changed and republished again, the person who requested the variance hearing pay the costs for publishing the second time.

Ed Gobat passed out (2) ordinances that Jackson Township adopted regarding abandoned vehicles and nuisances and asked Council to look over both before June's meeting... something for Council to think about...

Don reported that Harry Smith, our Zoning officer, would like Council to adopt the Junk Yard Ordinance similar to Jackson Township's. Mick Regal made a motion, seconded by Ed Gobat, to ask Atty. Jones to write up a Junk Yard Ordinance for East Prospect Borough. Motion carried.

Community Pride Committee – parade plans coming along.... Russ Whitecomb is the grand marshal and the speaker is Judge Craig Trebilcock. Mick Regal made a motion, seconded by Ed Gobat, to give a donation of \$ 400 or whatever we gave last year, for the parade. Motion carried. Mindy will order 1,000 flags for Memorial Day.

Ed reported that the refreshment stand, at the ball diamond, is up and running. Movie night dates are being worked on. Ed Gobat made a motion, seconded by Victor Dodson, to have a banner made, with cost not to exceed \$ 260, with signage 'Community Pride' to be placed on the fence around the ball diamond. Motion carried.

Mick Regal made a motion, seconded by Victor Dodson, to place an ad in the Merchandiser the week of May 20th regarding the Community Yard Sale and Fire Company Chicken BBQ Saturday, May 25th. Motion carried. Mindy will take care of this.

Human Resource's Committee – Matt contacted LWT Chief Dave Arnold to establish a line of communication. Chief Arnold told Matt he would like to sit down and talk with Council.

Other Business: Dave Lipinski mentioned, in his email, that Scott Naylor sold the rest of the apartments, on Creekside Drive/Riverview Drive to another developer. He wants to pave the street and turn it over to the Borough. Council was in agreement that we do not adopt any streets until all construction is completed finished. Dave also said that Mr. Naylor will be coming to June's meeting and tell Council his modifications to the stormwater basin.

Dave will also contact YWC and urge them to install the rest of the laterals and resurface Riverview Drive....the residents who live on that street are complaining.

(2) two Variance Hearings are scheduled – Thursday, May 16th at 6:00 p.m. and Thursday, June 6th at 6:00 p.m. Harry Smith asked if Council would designate one day a month for zoning/variance hearings. The second Thursday of each month will be designated for zoning/variance hearings, subject to approval by Harry Smith (Code Administrators).

Mick reported that electric should be hooked up, at the new building, by Friday.

Chair's Report - Don reported on the meeting held with Harry Smith & Atty. Jones. Both stressed that members of Council stay off social media with regard to discussing matters of the Borough. Also, all questions about zoning are to be directed to Code Administrators... **do not** give out Harry Smith's cell number..

A folder with several signed petitions regarding the salvage yard were dropped off at the office. Don will contact Atty. Jones to see what he should do with them.

Secretary's Report – EYCEMA, Fire Company, & Ambulance Club reports were distributed. Forgot to mention at the meeting, a new printer was purchased for the office.

Motion by Victor Dodson, seconded by Ed Gobat, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.
Meeting adjourned at 9:00 PM

The next scheduled meeting is Tuesday, June 4, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mindy K. Barshinger
Boro Secretary