

East Prospect Borough Council Meeting

**Community Hall, East Prospect, PA
April 7, 2021 @ 6:00 p.m.**

On Wednesday, April 7, 2021, 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, Mickey Regal, Don Barshinger, Jerry Hanson, & Ed Gobat. Others in attendance: Mayor Matt Mann, Secretary Mindy Barshinger, and Treasurer Marian Hunter.

Minutes of the March 3, 2021 meeting were approved as distributed.

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

Patrons: Chief Arnold (LWTPD) – gave everyone a copy of March's incident report. Will check on dog biting incident and get back to Don. Mick asked Chief Arnold if LWTPD would lead off the Memorial Day parade on May 30th.

Steve Olkowski (Red Lion Salvage) – only to observe

Kurvin Schrum – wants to put a mailbox in front of his house & Wrightsville post office told him he has to get permission from Borough Council to do so. Kurvin does not remember who he spoke to at Wrightsville. Matt will check with the Wrightsville Postmaster because Council was told that Wrightsville was not going to allow any more mailboxes in the Borough. This matter was tabled until May's meeting.

Old Business – Stones for retention pond – in the works

Street sweeping – to begin April 17th – Don reported that the State will be coming through to do the state roads in the next week or two.

Zoning Officer: nothing..... Mindy advised Council that we budgeted \$ 3,000 for zoning in 2021; however, we are already over that amount...we already paid out \$ 13,651.00. Keith Hunnings will be asked if he would submit his bill quarterly, instead of once a year...also he will be asked if all the set-backs were checked before the permit was issued for a shed at 22 South Main Street.....also Keith will be asked if permit was issued for a lean-to constructed at 46 West Maple Street.....

Mayor's Report - paperwork filled out to send to PennDot for Memorial Day parade...Mick will email paperwork to PennDot.....Little Free Library has been installed (by Mick)...dedication set for Tuesday, April 13th at 4:30 p.m. Resident inquired what the zoning laws are regarding how many vehicles can be parked at an auto repair garage.....resident must contact Zoning Officer for that information.....Matt was asked to contact Kristen Phillips-Hill with regard to zoning fees for variance hearings (can fees be raised)....

Report of Committees:

Hall Committee – rentals coming in – turkey suppers done till fall

Street Committee – speed sign info passed out...Plow & salt spreader taken off truck....cement floor in garage washed down to get rid of salt. Meeting held & these are the things to be done according to importance: street sweeping, getting stone for retention pond, clean & organize the garage, sign replacements, and painting curbs & crosswalks.

Park & Recreation Committee – ball field is booked all summer – no openings - 1st game to be held this coming Sunday...large donation received from a merchant to help with cost of buying an electronic scoreboard for the ball diamond....the ball field will be rolled, plugged and re-seeded.... also, the basketball court is going to be re-sealed.

Ordinance Committee – nothing

Community Pride Committee – subs & pretzelwich sandwiches are being sold – delivery date is April 29th...movie nights – June 12th – July 17th – August 14th....possibly having a 'chili cook-off' in October.....

Human Resource Committee – looking for teenagers to help with some Boro work this summer (emptying trash, weed whacking, etc.) Must have work papers from school.

Other Business: Jerry Hanson reminded Council that the storm drain on Hedgewick Lane is sinking...something needs to be done.....

Ed Gobat made a motion, seconded by Victor Dodson, to donate \$ 350.00 to the Memorial Day Parade Committee. Motion carried.....parade will begin at 4:00 p.m.....food trucks will be at the ball field from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Fireworks begin at dusk.....

Jerry asked about applying for money from the COVID-19 Relief Legislation for municipalities, which was signed by President Biden. Don will look into this and call Chris Eaton for his input....

All Council members agreed to have a Community Yard Sale Saturday, May 29th.....

Chair's Report - Dave Bubb contacted Don asking if he could set off fireworks on Borough property.....Don told him that is not allowed.....Jerry Hanson made a motion, seconded by Ed Gobat, giving authorization to Don to contact Prolawn of PA to spray the curbs for weeds/grass – 2 times this year. Motion carried.

Don reported that the quick-claim deed & subdivision plan (Chad Winters) was signed and recorded at the courthouse. The only thing he needs to do is reimburse the Borough for the engineering and attorney fees incurred.

Secretary's Report - nothing

Motion by Victor Dodson, seconded by Jerry Hanson, to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

The next scheduled meeting is Wednesday, May 5, 2021 @ 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mindy K. Barshinger