

**Community Hall, East Prospect, PA  
October 5, 2022 @ 6:00 p.m.**

On Wednesday, October 5, 2022, the East Prospect Borough Council was called to order by Vice-President Mick Regel, and opened with the pledge to the American flag.

Present: Victor Dodson, Mick Regel, & Kim Godfrey. Others in attendance: Mayor David Bubb, Secretary Mindy Barshinger, and Treasurer Marian Hunter. Absent: Ed Gobat and Don Barshinger.

Minutes of the September 7, 2022 meeting were approved as distributed.

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

**Patrons: Kurvin Schrum (only to observe), Linda Fauth (EPFC), and Chief Thomas, LWTPD.**

**Chief Thomas passed out the September incident report....new officer will be starting in about (3) weeks.....very busy month for the Borough and Township.**

**Old Business – Soundproofing quote – David Bubb shared the estimate received from Dyndes, Inc. to soundproof the Community Hall – approximately \$ 19,973.00, which includes labor, materials & lift rental. This matter was tabled until November's meeting.**

**Air conditioning – Victor Dodson made a motion, seconded by Kim Godfrey, to accept the bid from Abe Service Co., to install (3) three AC units in the upstairs rooms of the Community hall, to be paid for using ARP money. Cost - \$ 10,126.00. Motion carried. Blaine Godfrey has agreed to do the electrical work – cost approximately \$1,000.00.**

**Water to new building – Mick reported that everything is done, except for York Water Company installing the water meter & turning on the water. Mick said that there was no digging done on Ridge Avenue for this project.**

**Borough maintenance/highway department – Human Resource Committee met and discussed this possibility....they all agreed that this is not needed.....Don B. is going to make a list of work that needs to be done, in the Borough, and then divide the work among the Council members.....putting up new street signs is the biggest thing that needs to be done.**

**New zoning officer – tabled till November's meeting**

**Zoning officer – permit money was received**

**Mayor's report – see attached report**

## **Report of Committees:**

Hall Committee – water came into the entrance of the kitchen, through the wall, during the (3) three rainy days...numerous things have been done to try to stop this from happening, but nothing does the trick. Lions Club turkey supper this Saturday, October 8th.

Street Committee – Mick gave LWTPD a copy of the speed sign information....Curb and crosswalk painting is done.....

Park & Recreation Committee – no report (ED absent)

Ordinance Committee – Kim Godfrey made a motion, seconded by Victor Dodson, to adopt Resolution # 2022-2 – A Resolution of East Prospect Borough, York County, Pennsylvania, To Require the Tax Collector To Waive Additional Charges for Real Estate Taxes in Accordance with the Act of July 11, 2022, P.L. 701, No. 57. Motion carried.

Community Pride Committee – Trunk or Treat – October 29th.....Trick or Treat night – October 31st from 6-8 p.m. Veteran’s Day breakfast is in November.....

Human Resource Committee – nothing to report

**Other Business:** nothing

**Chair's Report** - nothing

**Secretary’s Report** - Mindy will contact Atty. Jones to ask him to write up the 2023 tax levy ordinance – no increase – rate remains at 2.27 mils.....the 2023 proposed budget was passed out...Council members were asked to look it over till next meeting so it can be publicized, and then accept it at December’s meeting. 2023 Council meeting dates were also passed out.

Victor Dodson made a motion, seconded by Kim Godfrey, to enter into a ‘retainer contract’ with Klugh Animal Control Services...cost - \$ 50.00. Motion carried.

Liquid fuels money for 2023 - \$ 25,165.48.

Motion by Victor Dodson, seconded by Kim Godfrey, to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 6:53 p.m.

***The next scheduled meeting is Wednesday, November 2, 2022 @ 6:00 p.m.***

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# EAST PROSPECT MAYOR'S REPORT

OCTOBER 5, 2022

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## TO THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF EAST PROSPECT, PA.

During the past month I have:

- Completed curb painting. This should not need to be completed for another 3 years.
- Submitted 4<sup>th</sup> quarter newsletter. It is available online and posted at the borough office and the post office.
- Continued plans for a community art project. Project will be open to all borough residents Kindergarten age and over. Notification will be sent out within the next couple of weeks and submissions may be made either via email, dropped off at borough building, or snail mail until the end of the year. Winning mural will be laid out on the side of the borough hall. Costs not to exceed \$500.00 for purchase of necessary paints/supplies. Pending council approval.
- Spoke with Wayne Smith regarding the zoning officer position. He is knowledgeable and has the experience. I recommend hiring him to fill the position. Borough resident tax dollars must no longer go to a business not fulfilling their contract.
- Spoke with a borough resident regarding a large amount of wood and overgrown property. Due to a variety of reasons, they have had some difficulty cleaning up the property, but have begun doing so.
- Received sound insulating estimate from Dyndes, Inc. Total cost is \$19,973.00 which includes materials, lift rental, and installation of 46 sound panels.
- In anticipation of the sale of 13 acres of land currently owned by Zion United Methodist Church, I reached out to Jeff Inch from Inch & Co, who put me in touch with Joe Eisenhauer, their property acquisitions point person. We discussed potential uses and I explained that a borough ordinance currently prohibits townhomes. Inch & Co maintains ownership of their properties and is solely responsible for rentals and tenants. I received 2 proposals: one of a potential layout of 56 duplexes and one of 83 townhomes. If council is willing to amend the ordinance to allow for townhomes given that Inch & Co would not sell blocks of townhomes to a third party, they are willing to help craft the language to modify the ordinance as well as pay for any associated costs. Either way, Inch & Co seems interested in development and given their reputation for high quality construction, their involvement would be beneficial for the borough and would avoid less reputable contractors and the development fiascos we have seen previously.
- The success or failure of any employee, business, or government entity cannot accurately be measured without some sort of expectations being set beforehand. Several months ago, a Lower Windsor Township supervisor reached out to me in the hopes of including East Prospect Borough in their comprehensive plan. I was in favor of borough participation.

Last month, council voted not to participate, at least in part, due to the belief that the borough had a comprehensive plan already written in cooperation with the county. I reviewed this plan and it is essentially meaningless insofar as it relates to East Prospect Borough which means we currently have no comprehensive plan.

There are, as I see it, 3 options:

1. East Prospect Borough can develop a comprehensive plan at its own time and expense.
2. Reconsider being involved in the LWT comprehensive plan.
3. Do nothing.

I suggest council revisit participating in the LWT comprehensive plan.

During the next month I plan to:

- Continue conversation with Inch & Co.
- Update residents about coming events, news, and ordinances as needed via Facebook, email, and printed notices at the borough building and post office.
- Work with LWTPD as needed.
- Continue ordinance enforcement.
- Continue development of Community Art Project.

**MISCELLANEOUS:** With the estimate for sound mitigation received and HVAC modifications being made to the borough and EYARC offices pending, further improvements and much needed updating and housekeeping should be completed in the borough office, community hall, garage behind the community hall, borough maintenance building, and areas beneath the grandstand at the ball field. Some areas are in need of some general organization and housekeeping, while others are outdated and becoming irrelevant. We must be good stewards of all borough properties that residents tax dollars help pay for. The Community Cleanup Day in the spring would be a good opportunity to address some of these areas.

Respectfully submitted,

