

Community Hall, East Prospect, PA
February 1, 2023 @ 6:00 p.m.

On Wednesday, February 1, 2023 at 6:00 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: Don Barshinger, Mick Regel, Ed Gobat, Victor Dodson, and Kim Godfrey. Others in attendance: Mayor David Bubb, Treasurer Marian Hunter, Secretary Mindy Barshinger, Atty. David Jones, Sgt. Kevin Leach (LWTPD), and Engineer David Lipinski.

Minutes of the January 4, 2023 meeting were approved on a motion made by Ed Gobat, seconded by Victor Dodson. Motion carried.

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

Patrons: Connie & Russ Outman (only to observe)

Jeff Fitch – asked if Lemon Avenue (alleyway) could continue to be one-way down to West Maple Street. The Street Committee will look into this and make a recommendation to Council...Only (2) members of the street committee can meet; If all (3) members attended, the meeting would have to be advertised, since (3) persons are a quorum.

Sgt. Leach (LWTPD) passed out December's incident report...said there was not enough time to get January's report together.

Zoning officer – permit fees for (10) units to be built on Riverview Drive was received (\$11,495.00).

Old Business: Soundproofing – tabled for the time being

Solar speed signs have arrived....Chief Thomas was asked where the best place to put them would be; hasn't gotten back to Mick yet.

Ordinance Committee meeting – David Bubb said that an actual meeting was not held; done by text/email.....Suggestions were made by David Bubb about the wording of the 'burning ordinance'. Atty. Jones suggested that the ordinance be up-dated....

Engineer David Lipinski gave an up-date on the CDGB project – a business partner application had to be submitted to PennDot for e-permitting...Dave tried to submit the permit, but the system was down...as soon as the system is back up, Dave will submit the permit....Once the highway occupancy permit is received, the bids for the sidewalks will go out...

Dave also received correspondence from YCPC regarding the property Inch & Co.

plans to purchase from Zion UM Church...the plan shows a proposed duplex development, with (60) dwellings....if Council wants to have a 'scoping' meeting with PennDot, we have the right to do so, but, according to PennDot, a 'scoping' meeting is not necessary...the land will be deeded as (1) lot.....people who purchase the homes will own them, but not the lot they are built on....the owner(s) of the lot are, then, responsible to take care of snow removal, storm drains, mowing, and the streets in the development.

Dave said he has (2) concerns – parking and where the entrance and exit would be to the development...possibly make Prince Avenue one-way, coming out onto South Main Street.

Dave also said that he has been receiving phone calls about the (2) lots on West Maple Street, which are for sale...Dave said York Water Company will run the water lines to the properties, at no cost.....running the sewer lines/connections could cost up to \$ 30,000 for both....

Atty. Jones suggested that, if someone wants to buy the lots, Council could propose to the buyer(s) that, if they pay half the cost for the sewer connection, the Borough would pay the other half.....

Atty. Jones was asked if any progress has been made in regards to 47 West Maple Street....Dave said his associate is working on it.

Trash contract with Penn Waste – Council just extended the contract for another year.....at the end of 2023, Council has the option to extend the contract for another year, which would be 2024...Atty. Jones stated that Council can mandate recycling, which we do by ordinance, but not trash....some newer trash companies do trash, but not recycling...something to think about till the end of this year....

Atty. Jones also reiterated, again, that government officials are not to comment on any kind of social media.....just say 'come to Council meeting with your concern, which will be held on such and such a date/time'.

Mayor's Report: see attached report

Report of Committees:

Hall Committee – turkey supper dates – February 25th, March 11th, and March 25th.

Street Committee – Mick & Kim volunteered to take part in a training session for the new software for the solar speed signs...they will be reimbursed for their time...Mick will contact All Traffic Solutions to see when the training will be held...training will be done on the computer.

Parks & Recreation Committee – footage from the playground camera & Ed's camera was handed over to the DA's office to see if the cameras showed anything helpful to find Kadin Black.

Ed also said that Bookmyer Excavating will be contacted for a price to put a cement slab, for a picnic table, at the playground area.

Ordinance Committee – see above

Community Pride Committee – received a contract from Schaefer Fireworks for Memorial Day... cost \$ 7,134.00....Borough will pay the first half (\$3,567.00)....other half is due the day of the fireworks.....talks regarding the car show have started...next Community Pride meeting is February 9th at 6:00 p.m.

Human Resource's Committee – nothing

Other Business – Ed Gobat made a motion, seconded by Don Barshinger, for the Borough to pay for the dumpster on Community Clean-Up Day in May. Motion carried.

The 2022 financial report, for the fire company, has been received; therefore, Victor Dodson made a motion, seconded by Kim Godfrey, to approve the yearly \$ 4,000.00 donation to them. Motion carried.

Much discussion was held about the 'no parking' sign at the entrance to Vickilee Drive..... David Bubb said, that when Winters' has trailers parked there, it's hard to see to pull out unto West Maple Street...should the 'no parking' ordinance be enforced? It was suggested that 'no parking-loading/unloading zone' signs be erected on Vickilee Drive....it was also suggested that the 'no parking' signs be moved to the other side of Vickilee drive...Atty. Jones suggested that Mick talk to Chad Winters about the concern. David Lipinski suggested that Winters' have a flagger when trailers are being loaded/unloaded for safety reasons. The Street Committee will look into this and give Council their recommendation at March's meeting.

Chair's Report - if any member of Council has any questions to be asked at the meeting tomorrow night with Inch and Co. about the development, please email/text them to Don or Mick.

Secretary's Report – the state auditors are coming tomorrow to audit the 2020-2021 liquid fuels account...

Council agreed to NOT commit to participate in the plan up-date process of the Disaster Mitigation Plan.

Victor Dodson made a motion, seconded by Ed Gobat, to approve the deletions and additions to the 2022 budget. Motion carried.

Motion by Victor Dodson, seconded by Ed Gobat, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.
Meeting adjourned at 8:06 p.m.

The next scheduled meeting is Wednesday, March 1, 2023 at 6:00 p.m..

East Prospect Mayor's Report

February 1, 2023

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To the Borough Council of East Prospect, PA.

During the past month I have:

- Announced mural contest winner, Morgan Eneydy. Mural will be completed this spring. Sherwin Williams will either donate paints or provide at a minimal cost. Approval has previously been granted to pay for supplies up to \$500.
- At the request of Inch & Co, organized a meeting where they will present their proposed plans for development.
- Swore in members of the East Prospect Fire Department.
- Addressed numerous complaints regarding trash and cans at several residences.
- Made several minor adjustments to the wording of the burning ordinance which would allow for recreational burning in the borough as it is prohibited under the current wording. Committee agreed with changes. Attorney Jones recommended some more significant modifications to the burning ordinance to bring it in line with communities the size of East Prospect Borough and provided an ordinance he developed for New Freedom Borough. Council approval is needed for changes to be made.
- Began planning for 2nd Annual Community Cleanup Day for Saturday, May 13 from 8 AM- 4 PM. Council approval needed for cost of dumpster. Red Lion Salvage will provide a dumpster for recyclable materials and donate money generated to the borough. Last year, \$276.00 was generated from metal recycling.
- Discussed with attorney Jones the enforcement of parking ordinances in the borough.

During the next month I plan to:

- 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.
- Finalize plans for 2nd Community Cleanup Day.

As mentioned in the end of year report, I'd like to suggest a small beautification project at the intersection of Ridge and Lemon Avenue to include a flagpole, small flower bed, and possibly a decorative sign with "East Prospect Borough". US and PA flags were generously provided to the borough by Stan Saylor. Illumination of flags would also be necessary for 24/7 display. Drawing provided. Council approval needed.

Respectfully submitted,

