

East Prospect Borough Council Meeting

Community Hall, East Prospect, PA

April 3, 2024 @ 6:00 p.m.

On Wednesday, April 3, 2024 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: Victor Dodson , Kim Godfrey, Mick Regel, George Dvorak. and Don Barshinger. Others in attendance: Chief Thomas (LWTPD), Atty. David Jones, Mayor Steve Paduhovich, Treasurer Marian Hunter, Secretary Mindy Barshiger, and Zoning Officer Keith Hunnings.

Minutes of the March 6, 2024 meeting were approved as read.

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

Patrons – Karen Royer, Kathy & Kurvin Schrum, JoAnn Miller, Tina Paduhovich

(all only to observe), Matt Fauth (EPFD), Quinn Nadu, Adam Hall (Millwood Homes) ,and Katelyn Rohrbaugh (Barley & Snyder).

Atty. Rohrbaugh spoke on behalf of the Gillespie's.....they are requesting a

rezoning change/amendment for eight (8) parcels, on West Maple Street, to be changed from residential to village, so the lot beside Gillespie's building can be used for parking. A check was submitted for \$ 600 for a 'special exception'/zoning amendment.....neighbors were notified about this request.....Don Barshinger made a motion, seconded by Victor Dodson, to give permission for Atty. Rohrbaugh to submit to YCPC the proposed zoning amendment. Motion carried. After YCPC makes their recommendation(s), Atty. Rohrbaugh will come back to Council, in June, and a public hearing will be held (at June's regular Council meeting), for residents, affected by this change, to ask questions. Council will then vote on the proposed rezoning amendment.

Quinn Nadu (Millwood Homes) said the sub-division process will be continued.

He presented a copy of the preliminary plans, which were given to Keith Hunnings, for his perusal. Mr. Nadu said that the homes will be family dwellings,

(23 duplexes – 46 units).....they will be sold...no rentals.....Mr. Nadu also said that

Millwood Homes is trying to address all the concerns/requirements the Borough

had with Inch's plan. He also asked, that in order to expedite the process, if the preliminary plan & final plan would be presented at the same time....Council

wants 30 days to give Keith Hunnings a chance to look at the plans....Mr. Nadu

said he will be at May's meeting for our decision...Mr. Nadu also has to request a 'waiver' at that time.

Chief Thomas passed out March's incident report...Mick gave the speed sign reports to the chief.....

Matt Fauth (EP Fire Company) said that they receive calls, almost every day, to go to 15 South Main Street...The fire company does not want to enter the house.....

There is a very heavy woman, who calls, and needs help getting up.....,Matt said

the house is cluttered...only has a pathway...is concerned about the safety of the firemen who respond...is there anything they can do...he said that the Area Agency on Aging has been notified several times, but no response....Atty. Jones

will look into this....he did say that when a 911 call is received, you are required to go into the residence to offer assistance.

Matt also asked who owns the apartments at 20 West Maple Street....the fire

company would like to get a lay-out of the apartments....Don will contact the owner (Carole Schultz) for this information....

Atty. Jones passed out an ordinance amending the subdivision & land development ordinance, which would require (3) three off-street parking spaces, per unit...George Dvorak made a motion, seconded by Victor Dodson, giving

Atty. Jones authority to contact YCPC for approval and to advertise the ordinance. Motion carried.

Atty. Jones and Keith Hunnings mentioned that our zoning ordinance needs to be up-dated...Keith said that some of our fees are too low...he will comprise a list

of fees for Council to look at.....both also suggested that a new zoning map be

drawn up.....if Council raises the fees for certain things, a resolution can be

done instead of an ordinance.....

Atty. Jones said that the complaint against Inch & Company, for money they still owe the Borough, will be filed in the near future.

Atty. Jones also said that he still has not received Peter Schilling's report for

47 West Maple Street (George Harman's property)....Mindy will contact Mr.

Schilling about this.....

Old Business: Installation of new solar speed signs - Don & Mick will take care of putting them up....should be placed near telephone poles and or near the 25 mph

speed signs....

Red Lion Salvage & Penn Waste have been notified regarding dumpsters for Community Clean-Up Day, June 22nd.

Zoning Officer: see above

Mayor's Report – the street closing permit for the Memorial Day parade has been

received from PennDot.....

Report of Committees:

Hall Committee - question- when was the last time the inside of the gym area was painted? Something to look into for 2025 budget.....David Bubb sent a quote of \$ 622 to paint all the

community hall doors, inside & out. Victor Dodson made a motion, seconded by Kim Godfrey,

to accept the quote. Motion carried.....Don will contact the only quote Council received for

sound soak (Smuckers) to see if the quote is still the same.....

Street Committee – speed sign information passed out...Geo-Tech did the street test on Riverview Drive....still waiting for the results....Engineer David Lipinski suggested 'reclaiming'

for Riverview Drive...dig out all the old asphalt, put down a stone base, then mill the street & mix it with cement, then repave.....Mid-Atlantic did maintenance work on

the skid steer....Mick also asked them, to send a quote for a new 'strut' for the skid steer. Snow plow & salt spreader

to be taken off truck....crosswalks & curbs to be painted once weather breaks.

Parks & Recreation Committee – Jiffy-johns ordered....Modern Landfill will pay for one of them....tree mulching & touching up rubber at playground have been tabled till May's meeting.

Community Pride Committee – Mick reported that this committee has been dissolved.....

Approximately \$ 1,700 was given to the Borough, which will be used for community events....

Mick also said that Zion UM Church will take charge of 'trunk or treat' and the Christmas tree

lighting.....

Ordinance Committee - Don will contact YCPC to get the Borough on the grant list so our zoning ordinance can be revamped/updated....

Human Resource's Committee – nothing

Other Business – letter received from Red Lion Borough requesting approval for the use of

our fire police for the following non-emergency events in Red Lion:

May 27th (parade), August 10th (street fair), October 28th (Halloween parade), and December 31st

(New Years Eve celebration).....Victor Dodson made a motion, seconded by Mick Regel, to give

approval for the Borough's fire police to help at these events. Motion carried.

Marian Hunter commented that one of our CDs is up for renewal with Northwest Savings

Bank....the other CD, Marian was told, could be cashed in (Borough has to pay \$ 30 for cashing

CD in early),and purchase another (9) nine month CD at an interest rate of 5.09%. Mindy & Marian would both have to go to Northwest to sign the paperwork.....Victor Dodson made motion, seconded by Kim Godfrey, to renew the first CD and give Mindy & Marian authorization to cash in and purchase another CD at a higher interest rate.....Motion carried.

Chair's Report – Don reported that only (1) resident attended the special meeting held about the new sidewalks on South Main & West Maple Streets.....Don is also in contact with Keith Hunnings, Atty. Jones, and Dave Lipinski, weekly, to get up-dates on certain issues. Don also mentioned that Millwood Homes must adhere to the Borough's zoning ordinance....

Secretary's Report - since Mayor Steve will be out-of-town Memorial Day weekend, Mindy will call PennDot when the parade starts & ends, as directed.....

Motion by Victor Dodson, seconded by Kim Godfrey, to adjourn the meeting. Meeting

adjourned at 7:38 p.m.

The next scheduled meeting is Wednesday, May 1, 2024 @ 6:00 p.m.