

## **Community Hall, East Prospect, PA**

**January 3, 2024 @ 6:00 p.m.**

On Wednesday, January 3, 2024, at 6:00 p.m., the East Prospect Borough Council was called to order by Mayor Stephen Paduhovich and opened with the pledge to the American flag.

Present: Don Barshinger, Mick Regel, Victor Dodson, and George Dvorak. Absent: Kim Godfrey.

Others in attendance: Mayor Stephen Paduhovich and Secretary Mindy Barshinger.

Mayor Paduhovich entertained nominations for council president. Victor Dodson nominated Don Barshinger, seconded by Mick Regel. With no other nominations for council president voiced,

the nominations were closed; therefore, Don Barshinger retains his presidency of Borough council. The meeting was then turned over to President Barshinger.

President Barshinger entertained nominations for vice-president of Council. George Dvorak nominated Victor Dodson...no second...Victor Dodson nominated Mick Regel, seconded by Don Barshinger; verbal vote taken for Mick Regel – Don Barshinger, yes, Victor Dodson, yes, George Dvorak, no...therefore, Mick Regel retains his vice-presidency of Borough council.

Minutes of the December 6, 2023 meeting were approved as distributed.

Payment of bills: Motion by Don Barshinger, seconded by Victor Dodson, to approve and pay the

general account bills and accept the treasurer's report as presented. Motion carried.

**Patrons- Kurvin & Kathy Schrum – only to observe; Tina Paduhovich – only to observe; Karen Royer – only to observe; Matt Fauth & Danny Waltemyer (EP Fire Company) – only to observe; Chief Thomas (LWTPD).**

**Chief Thomas passed out the December 2023 incident report....new officer was hired, so police department is up to full staff.**

**Zoning officer: some zoning violations reported...letters will be sent out..**

**Old Business: Air conditioning – both Dave Lipinski & Dave Jones suggested that a structural study be done to make sure the roof can hold the unit(s). George Dvorak made a motion, seconded by Mick Regel, to have the study done. Motion carried.**

**Prices for the study are to be submitted before anything is done.**

**Sound-soak – Don met with someone from Smuckers about the sound soak...10 fiberglass panels will be put on the walls...still waiting for quote...should have something by February's meeting.**

**Stoves for hall – (5) new gas stoves are on order and should be delivered January 22nd...plumber will hook-up the stoves & check the pipes January 24th....Victor Dodson made a motion, seconded by Don Barshinger, to pay for the stoves out of**

**the general fund. Motion carried.**

**Donation for Susquehanna Senior Center – George Dvorak made a motion, seconded by Don Barshinger, to give a donation of \$ 100.00.. Motion carried.**

**YATB representative(s) – Victor Dodson & George Dvorak volunteered to be the Borough’s representative & alternate for 2024. All council members agreed.**

**Mayor’s Report – nothing**

## **REPORT OF COMMITTEES**

Hall Committee – hall rentals still coming in even though price is now \$ 150.00...Kory Saylor, who works for EYARC, degreased the walls behind the old stoves and painted the walls...Don will get paint to have Kory paint the floor also. Re-caulking, alongside of the building, needs to be done.. water keeps coming in when heavy rain.....hasn’t been caulked for several years.

Street Committee - Mick said the snow plow & salt spreader are on the truck...truck is ready to go.

No speed sign information, due to holidays.

Park & Recreation Committee – Victor Dodson is the new president of the Playground Assn...Mick Regel is the new Vice-President....Amanda Wompler, from EYARC, has voiced that she may do the bookings for the ball field....Playground Assn. will, again, pay one-half of the cost for the fireworks...(2) new (wider) gates were installed at the ball field.

Ordinance Committee - Victor Dodson made a motion, seconded by Mick Regel, to adopt

Resolution # 2024-1....Motion carried...(see attached)

Community Pride Committee – Christmas tree to come down soon....Christmas decorating contest went smoothly....winners were posted on facebook.

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Human Resource's Committee - nothing

Chair's Report – Don took the cemetery's mower over to Hollinger's to have it serviced...since the cemetery is having financial problems, Don Barshinger made a motion, seconded by Victor Dodson, to pay up to \$ 400.00 for the mower servicing/repairs....Motion carried...also, the Borough will buy gas for the mower(s) from time to time.....

Don reported that Atty. Jones is still waiting for Commonwealth Code Inspectors to condemn the property at 47 West Maple Street....

The big food trailer, which was on the parking lot behind the old bank, has been moved...

The old stoves were removed by someone who took them for scrap....

Don asked members to keep on 'eye' on the storm drains and retention pond for debris/leaves build-up....if debris is seen, please take the time to remove it...

Don will distribute the 2024 Borough committees at February's meeting.

Prolawn of PA sent bill for 'weed & feed' at the ball field (\$ 800), and spraying the curbs twice a year (\$ 1,250.00) – total bill was \$ 2,050.00....Victor Dodson made a motion, seconded by Mick Regel, to have the Playground Assn. pay the \$ 800.00 for the ball field & the Borough pay

\$ 1,250.00 for the curb spraying.... Motion carried...

Don contacted Shawn Blausner, from Blasser Security Systems, LLC, about security cameras.

The main monitor (camera) will be put in the pole building...camera(s) will cover the back of the hall, the playground area, and the ball field. Quote was received for \$ 4,300.00.....(see attached) Victor Dodson made a motion, seconded by Don Barshinger, to accept the quote and pay ½ half

(\$ 2,150.00) now, and the other half (\$ 2,150.00) when the cameras are installed. Money to be taken out of ARP account. Motion carried.

Other Business: Mick submitted a quote from All Traffic Solutions for (2) solar speed signs and

a bluetooth laptop/tablet, which would already be programmed – cost \$ 10,822.00.. Don Barshinger made a motion, seconded by Victor Dodson, to purchase these items.....money to be taken out of

the ARP fund....Motion carried.

Complaint about trash at residence on North Main Street has been addressed.

Eastern York School District has put a bus stop, at the square, to pick up the walkers....crossing

guard has been eliminated.....

Matter has been resolved with regard to clearances at the fire company.....

Car show to be held beginning of July....proceeds to be donated to the veterans.....

Secretary's report – a letter was received, from Stock & Leader, saying that they are sending a donation to the fire company in recognition of Stock & Leader's relationship with us.

Victor Dodson made a motion, seconded by Don Barshinger, to approve the additions and

deletions to the 2023 budget. Motion carried.

Mindy told Council that Atty. Jones sent a letter to Inch & Company, giving them until January 15, 2024, to pay the Borough their outstanding bills, which total \$ 3,212.40....if not paid by above date,

further legal action will be taken to collect this debt.

Motion by Victor Dodson, seconded by Don Barshinger, to adjourn the meeting.  
Meeting

adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

*The next scheduled meeting is Wednesday, February 7, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.*