

**East Prospect Borough Council Meeting  
Community Hall, East Prospect, PA  
February 5, 2025 @ 6:00 p.m.**

On Wednesday, February 5, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. the East Prospect Borough Council was called to order by President Mick Regel, and opened with the pledge to the American flag.

Present: Don Barshinger, Mick Regel, George Dvorak, Victor Dodson, and Kim Godfrey.  
Others in attendance: Mayor Stephen Paduhovich, Secretary Mindy Barshinger, Atty. David Jones, Zoning Officer Keith Hunnings, and Engineer David Lipinski. Absent: Treasurer Marian Hunter.

Minutes of the January 8, 2025 meeting were approved as read.

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: Kathy & Kurvin Schrum, Joann Miller, Shawn Keller, Karen Royer, David Bubb, Chief Thomas (LWTPD), Tina Paduhovich, (all only to observe), Matt Fauth & Dan Waltemyer (EPFC) – appeared on behalf of the fire police...Don Barshinger made a motion, seconded by George Dvorak, to give the fire police \$ 2,000 to purchase needed equipment. Motion carried.**

Question was asked regarding Millwood – they still do not have all their permits, but they can move dirt; just not build yet. Dave Lipinski said that the pavement has to be removed, and grass planted; and that portion must stay in grass.

**Old Business: new website – George Dvorak made a motion, seconded by Don Barshinger, giving Amanda Wompler permission to set up the Borough's new website. Motion carried. Kim Godfrey would like to be involved with the website.**

Atty. Jones brought the resolution for upping up the fee to \$1,500 for a ZHB hearing....Kim Godfrey made a motion, seconded by George Dvorak, to adopt Resolution # 2025-1 – A Resolution Establishing the Fee for an Application for a Hearing Before the Zoning Hearing Board of East Prospect Borough. Motion carried.

Atty. Jones recommended posting the agenda before Council meetings.

Keith Hunnings said that Gillespie's want to put a storage unit on the vacant lot... A land development plan must be submitted...

Chief Thomas passed out January's incident report, along with the 2024 year-end report.....He encouraged everyone to sign up for LWTPD's crime watch page... he also reported that the police are still down (1) officer.....since there have been

**complaints about Ryan Duke parking on the sidewalk, Chief Thomas will speak to him....**

**Dave Lipinski said that the CDBG grant, which was previously approved, is now questionable.....the federal government changed the percentage of low to moderate income to 34.7%; it previously was 44.74%....the Borough does not qualify any longer.....an income survey has to be done on those who live on North Main Street, where the new sidewalk was going to be put in.....a survey was done before, but was not successful.....the County will send out the surveys to the residents....only (6) homes are involved.....(4) out of (6) have to be low to moderate income...the percentage is based on the person(s) living in the residence; not on who owns the property.....consensus of Council was to proceed with the grant...the grant comes from the Federal Government; the County is the administrator of the grant...**

**Mayor's Report – gas cap still not put on hole on West Maple Street.....Chief Thomas called Columbia Gas and PennDot about this, and was told they will get to it.**

### **Report of Committees:**

Hall Committee – gym area painting completely done.....Don will get the broken toilet, in the ladies' room, fixed..... Since the heaters, in the gym, are obsolete, and are needing repair, Victor and Don will look into getting prices for AC/Heating ducts. Hall rentals are still coming in..... First turkey supper is March 1<sup>st</sup>.

Street Committee – speed sign info passed out..... several pot holes need to be patched in the spring.....Kim G. will contact Sean Bookmyer to see if he would be willing to dig a hole and put in a post at the church parking lot and what the cost would be.....crack sealing and/or paving needs to be done on North Princess, Susquehanna, and Cemetery Avenues.

Parks & Recreation Committee – Elite baseball coming back in August.....lots of tournaments have been scheduled....Playground Committee paid \$ 3,745.00 (1/2 the cost of the fireworks for Memorial Day).....the dug-outs and some bleachers are in need of repair.....since the Borough will be receiving approximately \$50,000 from Magnolia Meadows, in rec fees, Don suggested, again, that a committee be formed, with borough residents & members of council, to come up with a plan where to use this money..... help is needed in the refreshment stand... Russ Whitecomb, who runs the electronic scoreboard, is cutting back on the time he spends at the ball games.....

Ordinance Committee – Keith Hunnings suggested that the ordinance committee look through the zoning ordinance and other ordinances and consolidate some of them.

Human Resource's Committee – nothing

Other Business – Kim G. expressed concern about not being included in the newsletter and/or setting up the website.....

George & Diana Dvorak wrote up a newsletter....it says that the newsletter is not approved by Borough Council....copies will be put at the post office and taped to the window at the Borough office. The Borough is not paying postage to mail out the newsletters....

Victor Dodson made a motion, seconded by Kim Godfrey, to put Don Barshinger back on the EYARC board. Motion carried.

**Chair's Report** – Mick has been in contact with Sande Cunningham (Lower Windsor Township manager) because the police contract expires the end of 2025.....Sande requested a copy of the Borough's 2025 budget...Mick also gave her the total that LWT received from the tickets the police issued in the Borough. Sande asked Mick if the Borough would be interested in joining the Hellam REC, along with Hellam Township, Hallam Borough and Lower Windsor Township...Mick brought this up to Council and everyone agreed NO GO!

**Secretary's Report** - Mindy reported that the Borough received approximately \$5,500.00 from the sale of Michael & Jennifer Wert's property on North Main Street. This money represents delinquent sewer bills, from when the Borough still owned the sewer plant & collected the bills.

The Borough received the 2025 member registration & contribution form from Eastern York County Emergency Management Agency. Each municipality has a base fee of \$ 2,000.00 plus \$.12 per resident (924 x \$.12 = \$110.88) plus .3 miles x 50 = \$ 15.00..total is \$ 2,125.88, but apparently the Borough has a credit of \$ 52.50, so the Borough's share would be \$ 2,073.38.....after much discussion, Kim Godfrey made a motion, seconded by George Dvorak, to 'opt out' of EYCEMA...Motion carried. Mindy will send a letter stating such to Corina Mann.

Since Council received the 2024 financial report from the fire company, Marian will be asked to issue a check for \$ 5,000, to the fire company, as our yearly donation.

Motion by Don Barshinger, seconded by Victor Dodson, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:38 p.m.

*The next scheduled meeting is Wednesday, March 5, 2025 at 6:00 p.m..*

Respectfully submitted,

Mindy K. Barshinger  
Boro Secretary