

ELIZABETHTOWN BOROUGH COUNCIL
WORK SESSION
August 4, 2016
Minutes

Elizabethtown Borough Council held its monthly work session meeting on Thursday, August 4, 2016, at 7:00 p.m. at the Borough Office. Present were Councilmembers Phil Clark, J. Neil Ketchum Jr., Jeff McCloud, Tom Shaud, and J. Marc Hershey. Dr. C. Dale Treese was absent. Also present were Borough Manager Roni Ryan, Assistant Borough Manager Cindy Foster, Planning & Zoning Director Rodney Horton, Police Lieutenant John Emrick, and Mayor Chuck Mummert.

Public Comment—None

Council heard the following informational reports:

A. Administration

1. Amphitheater Renovation Project Update—Chris Brown, Derck & Edson, led the discussion on the proposed renovation and possible relocation of the existing structure to move it out of the floodplain, increase visibility for spectators, and reduce negative impacts of the sun on performers. The general consensus was that the new structure should be open and allow flexibility for multiple uses while providing for natural acoustics. Maintenance of the area should the structure be moved was discussed along with possible drainage remediation measures. Brown agreed to provide options for Council's consideration by the end of the month and will return to the September 15th meeting to continue the discussion.
2. 40 West High Street Sewer Connection Fee Waiver Request—Horton outlined a request from Jeffrey Wool, owner of the property to waive the sewer connection fee for an additional EDU to accommodate a business offering children's sewing classes. Wool was present in the audience and agreed to contact staff for re-evaluation and reconsideration of the request should the use change at any point in the future. It was suggested Wool also consider contacting EAWA for a similar water connection waiver.

Action Item:

Motion by Ketchum, second by Shaud, to approve a sewer connection fee waiver request for 40 West High Street with the stipulation that the waiver be revisited should the use change at any point in the future. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Conoy Crossing Masonic Drive Time Extension Request—Horton reported that the developer is seeking a one-year extension from October 31, 2016 to October 31, 2017 to complete extension of Masonic Drive to Maytown Road. He noted that the Planning Commission met and recommended approval subject to an updated cost estimate and improvement guarantees. Todd Smeigh, DC Gohn, and Jake Olweiler, developer, were present to answer questions. Smeigh noted progression of the project is dependent upon home sales which are not as robust as they had hoped. Additional right-of-way acquisition at Maytown Road will be necessary, and curb and sidewalk improvements in that area should be coordinated with Penn DOT's paving schedule. Council will consider the extension request at its August 18th regular meeting.

4. Public Announcement re Sale of 616 South Market Street—Horton reviewed the history of bid solicitations for the sale of this property and read the following into the record:

The Borough of Elizabethtown, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, having twice solicited bids for the purchase and acquisition of 616 South Market Street, has received an offer of purchase from Rene Maldonado d/b/a *The Yankee Builder* in the amount of \$135,000 in a manner consistent with the terms and conditions that had been enumerated in Borough Council Resolution No. 2016-07 with respect to the unsuccessful bid solicitation.

Horton noted that Council will be asked to consider sale to Maldonado at its September 15, 2016 meeting.

5. Public Works Garage Project—Ryan explained that bids for this project were tabled at the July 21st meeting. In the interim, information was gathered relative to debt service and additional financing necessary should a contract be awarded.

Action Item:

Motion by Ketchum, second by McCloud, to reject all bids and re-evaluate options for further discussion at an upcoming meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

6. Bicycle Friendly Community Update—Last Sunday a sponsored bike trip was held between Lancaster and the Borough with a stop at Funck’s Brewery for root beer before returning to Lancaster. Horton noted that the temporary bike racks placed near Rose Alley to accommodate riders were very well received and that permanent installation of bike racks in this location will be pursued. Horton reminded everyone that the next guided bike ride from the Borough Office will occur on Wednesday, August 17th at 6:00 p.m. and is open to cyclists of all ages and abilities.
7. CDC Health Survey—Ryan reported that Elizabethtown has been chosen to participate in the National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey conducted by the National Center for Health Statistics, a part of the CDC, and noted that interviewers will be going door-to-door from August 4th through October 4th randomly visiting 480 households in the county.
8. EAWA Update—Mike Skelley, EAWA Manager, reported that Authority is discussing Conoy Crossing with the developers to insure the appropriate water connections are included as the project progresses.

B. Police Department

1. Emrick reviewed the police department’s monthly report.

After a motion by Shaud, second by Ketchum, the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 7:55 p.m.