

ELIZABETHTOWN BOROUGH COUNCIL
PUBLIC MEETING
June 2, 2022
Minutes

A public meeting of Elizabethtown Borough Council was held on Thursday, June 2, 2022. Present were Councilmembers Lanty Moss, Tom Shaud, J. Marc Hershey, Phil Clark and Jeff McCloud. Councilmember Jay Hynicker participated via phone. Also present were Borough Manager Rebecca S. Denlinger, Assistant Borough Manager Ann Roda, Public Works Director Jeff Kinsey, Planning and Zoning Director Pamela Roberts, and Elizabethtown Police Chief Ed Cunningham.

President Hershey called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Public Comment

1. There was no public comment.

Approval of Meeting Minutes

After a motion by Vice President Clark, second by Councilperson Shaud, Borough Council voted unanimously to approve the May 19, 2022 Public Meeting minutes.

Old Business

1. Councilperson Shaud motioned to approve Elizabethtown Borough becoming a vendor for the Low-Income Household Water Assistance Program (LIHWAP). LIHWAP is a temporary emergency program to help low-income families pay overdue water and sewer bills. Vice President Clark seconded the motion. Borough Council unanimously voted to become a vendor for the Low-Income Household Water Assistance Program.
2. Borough Manager Denlinger provided an update on PENNDOT's project to repave Market Street. She stated that a virtual Preconstruction Meeting is set for June 6, 2022 and borough staff will attend. PENNDOT has indicated that there are conflicts with UGI and their utility work but PENNDOT is trying to work through those conflicts. Borough Council asked staff to express their request that the UGI work in Market Street be completed in advance of the repaving.

Denlinger added that PENNDOT views the project as simple milling and paving. Base repair is an as directed item in the scope of work. It is understood that prior to work starting the project team will walk the job and mark the roadway in the areas needing base repair, if any. Borough staff has requested to be part of the construction walk of the project area.

Denlinger noted the ongoing debate as to whether the problem along Market Street is a function of the concrete base of the roadway or with how the previous paving/repairs adhered to the base. During design PENNDOT ramped upped the ESAL range (equivalent single axle

load). This upped range should allow the pavement to be harder and not flex as much. PennDOT acknowledged that the previous ESAL range did not withstand the heavy truck traffic and the concrete base is not helping and it also could have been the materials used. For this mill and pave work, there will be two courses of pavement. They will mill the road, clean it, and then put a tack coat down.

President Hershey asked for an update at the next meeting following the Preconstruction Meeting.

3. Councilperson Shaud motioned to approve the request from GEARS to have East Donegal Township become a member municipality for regional recreation beginning in 2023. Vice President Clark seconded the motion. Borough Council unanimously voted to approve East Donegal Township becoming a member municipality of GEARS.
4. Vice President Clark motioned to approve the request from GEARS to increase the annual municipal contribution rate from 18% to 20% starting in 2023. Councilperson McCloud seconded the motion. Prior to their vote Borough Council asked staff to get information on the history of GEARS' increasing user fees and charges for their programming. Borough Council unanimously voted to approve the annual municipal contribution rate from 18% to 20% for GEARS beginning in 2023.

New Business

1. Councilperson McCloud motioned to approve authorization of the Stormwater Management Agreement and Declaration of Easement with Elizabethtown College for the Ira Herr Field Minor Stormwater Management Plan. Vice President Clark seconded the motion. Borough Council unanimously voted to authorize the Stormwater Management Agreement and Declaration of Easement with Elizabethtown College for the Ira Herr Field Minor Stormwater Management Plan.
2. Borough Manager Denlinger announced the 2023-2026 Lancaster County Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Public Comment Period. In the TIP there are no projects proposed for Elizabethtown Borough. Denlinger added that at a previous public meeting there was discussion of a *connects2040* funding submission. Elizabethtown Borough jointly submitted for *connects2040* funding with Mount Joy Township for improvements to Buckingham Boulevard. If accepted this project could be a future project for the TIP.
3. Borough Manager Denlinger provided information on the Lancaster County Water and Sewer Infrastructure Asset Mapping Initiative. Borough Council discussed and provided their general support for the initiative. Staff will follow up with ERSA and EAWA to have them consider their support and participation. Staff will get additional information from EDC on the roles/responsibilities of the named Project Partners. Denlinger stated that Borough Council will be asked to consider the agreement formally at their June 16 public meeting.
4. Vice President Clark motioned to approve the nomination of Curtis Thompson as the new Regional Emergency Management Coordinator. The nomination for Mr. Thompson will be

considered by Mount Joy Township (MJT) and West Donegal Township (WDT). As a final step, if approved by MJT and WDT, Mr. Thompson would be nominated by the Governor.

Chief Cunningham also provided an update on the effort to remove EMA records from the Fire House and establish a new EMA control center/office, likely in West Donegal Township's municipal building.

5. Borough Council approved and directed staff to submit an application for Growing Greener funding. The funding would be used to fund and complete the Hickory Lane Park and Stream Restoration Project.

Mayors Remarks

Mayor Mummert reminded everyone on the Radar Coalition Rally taking place on June 9, 2022 at 9:00 AM at the State Capitol.

Council Remarks

Councilmembers thanked the public in attendance and thanked staff for their efforts to research and apply for grant funding for the many priority projects on the Borough's Capital Improvement Program. Councilpersons Hynicker and Clark both noted that they attended the recent PASB Conference in Hershey and would share the resources they gained there with the rest of Borough Council.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned by President Hershey, without objection, at 8:09 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rebecca S. Denlinger
Borough Manager