

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE EAST PETERSBURG BOROUGH COUNCIL

DATE AND TIME:	May 7, 2024	7:00 p.m.
LOCATION:	Community Center	6051 Pine Street
ATTENDANCE:	Council Members:	Debra Miller, President John Schick, Vice President Adam Gochnauer, Pro Tem John Herr Randy Rannels William Sharp Sandra Valdez James Malone Mayor: Borough Manager: Public Works Supervisor:
		Karen St. Clair Kevin Martin

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting was called to order by Debra Miller, President of Borough Council at 7:00 p.m. with a moment of silence and Pledge of Allegiance.

VISITORS: Karyl Carmignani, Samuel Maurer IV, Tammy & Jeff Moseman, Violet DeStefano, Joyce Mokros, Josh Roberts, Frank Mokros

VISITOR COMMENTS:

Tammy Moseman asked why money would be spent to have Violet DeStefano investigate low flying aircraft and how the proposed airport expansion will impact the town. She asked is it about the low flying or safety, and has a plan been written for this already. Violet said it is important for the surrounding areas to start looking into planning efforts in case there would be a plane crash because we are in direct flight patterns. The fire department is working on a plan as well. Jamie Rohrer said Life Lion is now stationed at Lancaster Airport and is flying over to Penn State Medical Center. The statistics for helicopter crashes shows a higher rate for a helicopter used for medical and news purposes. They recently took a class along with five other departments on air medical crashes. There has never been a plan written for this.

BILL PAYMENT: Reviewed by Council.
No additions to the regular bills.

REPORTS:

Police Report: Report submitted to Council.

Chief Kilgore gave the monthly report.

Supervision on the street has been increased to 80% or more.

Staffing study done showed a need for one more officer.

Detective Zimmerman will be retiring and will be receiving a legacy award in May.

1 new officer will be graduating academy in June. 2 new officers starting academy in July. It will be approx. 1 year until they will be on the street. 1 opening left to fill.

App will be added for officer wellness program.

Traffic is no. 1 concern. Fatal accidents are increasing. Looking to have 2 officers assigned to traffic in the future.

Met with schools to work on pilot program and this is going well. Each school has a liaison.

Police Protection Unit (PPU) is a formula used to calculate how much coverage is needed and cost per officer/unit.

This will be looked at every year. Currently residents per officer, we are the lowest in the state. The officers are super busy and go call to call. This saves the municipality money.

The speed monitor will be put on Main St. We can possibly work on funding to get one to keep there.

Mayor's Report: Mayor Malone was in attendance.

May 4th was International Fire Fighters Day. May 15th is National Police Day.

Attended: LCBA quarterly dinner mtg., PA State Mayors Association mtg, Lancaster County Mayor's Assoc. mtg., and Earth Day Clean-ups.

Emergency Medical Service: Report submitted to Council.
Scott Buchle will be taking over submitting reports to the Borough.

Emergency Services Coordinator: Report submitted to Council.
Violet De Stefano reported the following:
Food Truck Event at FD went great.
Looking into sharing FEMA information with community and add to website.
Working on meeting with businesses and organizations to discuss possible hazards they might have.
Recently appointed as Borough representative on the County's Hazard Mitigation Steering Committee.
E-mailed Lanc. County EMA to see what we need to be planning for at the local level for aircraft emergencies.
Part of the EMC role is to run a family assistance center in the event of an emergency. She will be training for this.

Fire Dept.: Report submitted to Council.
James Rohrer reported there were 37 calls in January: 20-EHT, 7-EPB, 5-Manheim Twp., 3-Lanc. Twp., 2-Penn Twp. ISO went from a 4 to a 5 rating. They will be working on getting this back to a 4. There was a clinical save on Thanksgiving 2024; a man's grandson started CPR and helped save his life. Their will be a presentation next month for this.
June 1 at the Lancaster County fire Convention there will be 2 members being recognized for their outstanding job with EP Fire co. There will be a press release for this.
The FD working relationship with the police and ESC has been outstanding.

Borough Manager: Report submitted to Council.
Tennis courts are closed until May 17th because of the installation of the pickleball court.
We received a trash rebate of \$3,729.43 for the 1st quarter.
Vagabonds Car Show has been rescheduled for May 24; 4-8 p.m. rain date is August 9. Fire Police will be there.
On the agenda tonight is a motion to approve a revised part D which is part of the project agreement with Land and Water Conservation. It will be revised to say that we must always use the park as a public park, and we cannot sell or develop the property
The weekly report from Good's was shared with councilmembers which shows who puts out trash/extra trash/ lg. items without tags or other trash issues.
EP Elementary cancelled movie in the park.
Manager St. Clair will check if we need to have a PC meeting even though there are no topics to review.

Department Managers: Reports submitted to Council.
Public works had to clean up a manure spill approximately 1 mile long on Graystone Road.
Meadows Bioswale will be on the agenda to talk about next meeting.

Zoning Officer Report: Report submitted to Council.
A lot of time has been spent at TOA. Still issuing permits for new homes at TOA.

Property Violation Report: Submitted to Council.
Only five properties on the list.

Solicitor/Collections Report: Submitted to Council.
No change to collections.
Worked on DCNR grant with deed restriction and property maintenance update for Graystone Road.

HARC: (Hempfield Area Recreation Commission) – Debra Miller – Fitness center will be closed tomorrow with modified hours on Thursday and Friday until completion of weight equipment replacement.

OLD BUSINESS:
Review of April 25, 2024, Committee Meeting Topics: Tennis and Pickleball Court lights, Review the NLCRPD Joinder and Charter Agreements, Discussed old Tennis Courts on Graystone Road, EP Elementary PTO movie in the park, HARC's park & recreation plan, review payables, reviewed 1Q24 financials, and Misc.

NEW BUSINESS – Action Items:

President Miller asked if there were any questions about the action items. There were no questions.

1. *It was moved and seconded (Councilmember Valdez, Councilmember Rannels) with a 6-1 motion approval by the board, to approve April 2, 2024, Council Meeting Minutes. William Sharp abstained.*
2. *It was moved and seconded (Councilmember Schick, Councilmember Herr) with unanimous approval by the board, to approve Ordinance 327, Updating and Amending Codified Ordinances.*
3. *It was moved and seconded (Councilmember Gochnauer, Councilmember Sharp) with unanimous approval by the board, to approve Resolution 892, approving the Joinder Agreement of East Petersburg Borough as a Charter Member of the NLCRPD Commission - The Joinder Agreement dissolves the Police Services Contract and Adopts the Charter Agreement effective 01/01/2025.*
4. *It was moved and seconded (Councilmember Gochnauer, Councilmember Schick) to approve the proposal from D&H Electrical in the amount of \$3,679.25 to install new light fixtures on court lighting poles for pickleball/tennis courts.*
5. *It was moved and seconded (Councilmember Gochnauer, Councilmember Schick) to approve the original proposal from D&H Electrical in the amount of \$4,335.00 to install original vending timer for pickleball/tennis courts. The vending timer amount will increase from \$.25 to \$1.00.*
6. *It was moved and seconded (Councilmember Gochnauer, Councilmember Valdez) to approve a divider screen/net for pickleball/tennis courts not to exceed \$500.00.*
7. *It was moved and seconded (Councilmember Valdez, Councilmember Sharp) to approve the execution of the revised deed for the Community Park which now includes the deed restriction as required by DCNR. The restriction will prohibit a change of use for the property or a change in ownership without the written consent of DCNR.*

EXTRA ITEMS (Issues arising in the last 24 hours): None.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- A. The next Borough Council meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 4, 2024
- B. Appeals Board May 9 - 7 PM as needed
- C. Planning Commission May 16 - 7 PM as needed
- D. Zoning Hearing May 22 - 7 PM as needed
- E. Committee May 23 - 6 PM
- F. Throwing Bull Tribe Chicken BBQ will take place at the Community Park on May 11, 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
- G. Spring Rain Garden Workday Event will be held May 11, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. at 2899 Graystone Road.
- H. Borough office will be closed on Monday, May 27 in observation of Memorial Day.
- I. The Community Yard Sale will be held on Saturday June 1, 2024, from 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
- J. The Car Show is rescheduled for May 24 - 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. at the Community Park.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None.

ADJOURNMENT: 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kim Strayer, Recording Secretary