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Call to Order

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Roll Call

Michael Gomber, Mayor-Absent

Maryann Weinstein, President

Kent James, Vice President

Kristopher LaGreca, Council Member

David Bradley, Chief of Police

Douglas Corwin, Council Member-Absent

Daniel Bird, Council Member

Demond Nixon, Council Member

Arthur J. Fulton, Council Member

Aaron Lucero, Supervisor, P. Works

Dennis Makel, Solicitor

Rich Rush, Engineer-Absent

Reca Panian, Chair, Park & Shade

Sandy Motichak, Sec-Treas.

Gerald Coleman, Code Officer-Absent

Public Comment – Any person from the public may speak for a 3-minute period. Total time allotted for public comment is 15 minutes. Please state your name, address, and subject. Please choose a representative to speak if you have the same concern.

No Public Comments.

Motion Demond Nixon, second Joe Fulton to approve Minutes March 15, 2021. Passed by unanimous vote.

Action Items / Discussion:

1. Motion Kent James, second Kris LaGreca to approve Resolution 007 of 2021 – Accept resignation of Mayor Gomber effective April 19, 2021 with regrets. Passed by unanimous vote

A motion was made by Kris LaGreca, second Kent James to appoint Demond Nixon as Mayor of East Washington Borough until the 1st Monday in January 2022. Motion passed by unanimous vote, Demond Nixon abstained.

Dan Bird made a motion, second by Joe Fulton to accept Demond Nixon's resignation from Council effective immediately. 5 yes votes. Demond Nixon abstained. Motion passed. Council has 45 days to fill Demond Nixon's Council seat.

2. A motion was made by Kent James, second by Joe Fulton to award road bid contract to Independent Enterprises as the lowest responsible bidder. All Ayes, Dan Bird abstained. Motion passed.

Joe Fulton made a motion, seconded by Kent James to accept the Brick Base Bid at a cost of Base Bid (Option 2 – Central - Brick Repair): \$37,940.60. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Kris LaGreca made a motion, seconded by Joe Fulton to approve (2) Seminole type speed humps to replace the 2 existing speed bumps on South Wade. 2 yes, 3 no votes. Motion FAILED.

Aaron Lucero asked Council to reconsider the vote of the two speed humps on South Wade due to safety concerns and traffic on the road.

Mr. James felt that since there are two stop signs between Harrison and South Wade and Wheeling and South Wade; consequently, there is not a need for a speed hump in between that distance of the road. Only one speed hump would be necessary on South Wade Avenue. After a discussion, a motion was made by Joe Fulton, seconded by Kris LaGreca to approve (2) Seminole speed humps to

replace the existing speed humps on South Wade. Vote: Fulton=yes, LaGreca=yes, Weinstein=yes, James-No, Bird-No. Motion passed. Cost Alt. Bid #2 (Speed Hump): \$9,732.50 EACH

3. Park sign update. Joe Fulton stated he met with the Cumer family members. The Cumers chose a sign for the Park and will provide a write-up about their son Nicholas. A motion was made by Kent James, second by Joe Fulton to formally approve the name of the park to Nicholas Cumer park. Motion passed by unanimous vote
4. Setting a date for the picnic. Motion Joe Fulton, second Kris LaGreca to set the East Washington Borough picnic for Sunday August 15, 2021 and to include the ceremony renaming the park (Nicholas Cumer) at the picnic. Motion passed. Recca Panian asked Council if a grill can be purchased for the park. Tabled until the next meeting. Recca and Aaron to provide more details of cost, size, etc. and recommend what grill to purchase. Also, Recca will get the Landscape company fees for 2021 and present to council for approval at the next meeting.
5. Council discussed a change order for the ARLE grant to add radar speed signs. Kris LaGreca felt that a cross walk-in front of the school was more important than the radar speed signs. The crosswalk will have to be approved by PENNdot. President Weinstein called Cliff Eich and was on the phone during the meeting for Council to ask him questions. Mr. Eich explained that there may be limits as to what PENNdot will permit regarding the ARLE grant. He said he would check with PENNdot and get back to Council. There should be time on this decision.
6. Tax collector issue (Correspondence from Michael E. Peters, Esq) Solicitor Makel stated he reached out to Michael E. Peters and has not heard back yet. He feels the opinion of Keystone Collections is wrong regarding the Tax Collector issue. It was agreed that Council will put this item on hold until the Council receives more information from the Solicitor.
7. Correspondence has been received from Keystone Collections with the following information: **The Federal and State Income Tax Annual Return filing deadline was extended to May 17, 2021.** Keystone will accordingly not impose additional late filing penalty and interest to local taxpayers who file by May 17, 2021 so as to align the local filing deadline with the extended PA and the IRS filing deadlines.

Solicitor – Dennis Makel

Council Members – Reports / Discussion

Maryann Weinstein, President
Kent James, Vice President
Joe Fulton

Daniel Bird
Demond Nixon

Douglas Corwin
Kris LaGreca

Motion Kent James, second Joe Fulton to adjourn meeting at 9:00 pm. Motion passed.