## East Washington Borough Council CONTINUATION Meeting Monday, May 16, 2022 - 7:00 pm MINUTES

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Call to Order Pledge Roll Call

Matt Boice , Mayor Absent Maryann Weinstein, President Doug Corwin, Vice President Michael McCormick, Council Member David Bradley, Chief of Police Demond Nixon, Council Member Daniel Bird, Council Member Arthur J. Fulton, Council Member Kent James, Council Member Aaron Lucero, Supervisor, P. Works Dennis Makel, Solicitor Rich Rush, Engineer Absent Reca Panian, Chair, Park & Shade Gerald Coleman, Code Officer Absent Sandy Motichak, Sec-Treas

<u>Public Comment</u>—Any person from the public may speak for a 3-minute period. The 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 Comment

On a motion made by Joe Fulton and seconded by Michael McCormick the Continuation Meeting Minutes of April 18, 2022, passed. Kent James Abstain because he was absent from the meeting.

## **Action Items / Discussion:**

- 1. A motion was made by Dan Bird and seconded by Doug Corwin to accept the Secretary-Treasurer letter of retirement resignation with regret and approve a plan to search for her replacement. Passed by unanimous vote. Demond Nixon, Joe Fulton, and Maryann Weinstein will be the initial committee to review applicants. The Solicitor suggested placing the ad on the Indeed site and suggested that Council do background checks and obtain credit scores for potential applicants. The applicant must be bondable. The Solicitor will review the job Ad.
- 2. Michael McCormick discussed the Grant proposal for the Green Space Trails project. He is obtaining cost estimates and there is a required 15% match, and a resolution is also required. As a result, Kent James made a motion seconded by Demond Nixon to adopt a resolution to approve the application for the Greenway Trail Recreations Grant in the amount of \$250,000 and commit the 15% requirement of \$37,436.81 and designate the President of Council to execute all necessary documents and agreements. Motion passed by unanimous vote.
- 3. Update on security system. Installer had COVID. Will call when he is able to install it.
- 4. On a motion by Doug Corwin and seconded by Dan Bird Council unanimously approved to abolish the Board of Code Enforcement Appeals because the board is no longer used. This information will be added to the Ordinance.
- 5. Council discussed Speed Bump/Hump (s) that a resident requested on North Wade. Aaron Lucero stated that PennDOT provided specifications as to where the speed hump/bumps are permitted to be placed in the borough. He will contact the resident regarding these approved locations.

Solicitor No report.

Mayor Absent

On a motion made by Michael McCormick and seconded by Joe Fulton to add an Agreement with Dreamer International. This agreement is for Dreamer to take the old playground equipment. Motion passed

No comments from the Public.

Michael McCormick made a motion and seconded by Joe Fulton to authorize the Solicitor to prepare the agreement with Dreamer International and hold harmless the Borough of East Washington. Motion passed

Reca Panian asked Council if a date was set the for annual Borough Picnic. In the past, the picnics have been held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of August but due to the proposed construction upgrades of the park, she was not sure if that date would work. Aaron Lucero said that the work is to begin in June and the work should be completed before August. Mr. Lucero will order Park Closed Until Further Notice signs and place the signs at the park during the construction phase.

Motion Demond Nixon seconded by Kent James to add to the agenda to send correspondence to the Tax Collector requesting notification of amount of Real Estate taxes deposited into the Borough's general account and the date of the deposit. Motion passed

No public comment.

Kent James made a motion and seconded by Demond Nixon to approve to send correspondence to the Tax Collector requesting notification of the amount of the Real Estate taxes deposited into the general fund and date of deposit. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Aaron Lucero reported to council that a tree needs removed near the Elmhurst pool that is on borough property. Consequently, Dan Bird made a motion and seconded by Demond Nixon to add the cost of the tree removal to the agenda. Motion passed

No comments from the public.

At that point, Michael McCormick made a motion and seconded by Dan Bird to approve A&S Landscaping remove the tree near Elmhurst at a cost of \$800.00l Motion passed by unanimous vote.

## Council Members – Reports / Discussion

Joe Fulton informed Council that the existing website temporarily went down from a database crash. He was able to fix the issues and upgraded the hosting plan to include daily backup snapshots.

In addition, we will have to secure a new location for the new website because the server it is on is owned by Kris LaGreca, a former council member and he shut down that server. This has put a pause on the development.

Dan Bird Doug Corwin, Vice President Kent James
Demond Nixon Michael McCormick Maryann Weinstein

On a motion made by Joe Fulton and seconded by Demond Nixon the meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm. Passed by unanimous vote.