

East Washington Borough Council Meeting Minutes Monday, May 1st, 2023- 7:00 pm

Call to Order

Maryann Weinstein called the meeting to order at 7pm.

Pledge of Allegiance

Attendance

Attendance as below. All were present unless otherwise noted.

Demond Nixon - Zoom at 7:05

Maryann Weinstein

Michael McCormick

Arthur J. Fulton

Reca Panian, Park & Shade - Absent

Jordan Cooper, Harshman - Zoom

Mumbi Mundia

Daniel Bird

Kent James

Gerald Coleman - Zoom

Tim Kreger

Terri Gladus, Harshman - Zoom

Dennis Makel, Esq.

Sam Carroll, Harshman

Doug Corwin

Aaron Lucero

Alyssa Curry-Broderick

Public Comment Period

In addition, the following were in attendance, Susan Cotrill - 520 East Beau.

There were no public comments.

Action Items

Motion Dan Bird, seconded by Kent James to approve the April 3rd minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion Mumbi Mundia, seconded by Kent James to approve bills for the period of April 12th to May 1st, in the amount of \$24,586.59 plus an additional \$1,060 for the MS4 excavator rental. Motion passed unanimously.

MS4 discussion - Sam stated the rain garden will involve sliding the walking trail slightly up the hill. Terri stated the Growing Greener and Act 13 grants offer significant funding and we have already met the match requirements of 15%. We should acquire letters of support from local politicians.

Motion Dan Bird, seconded by Mike McCormick to approve the rental of an excavator for \$1,060 to dig holes in the greenspace to evaluate the landslide potential, from Murphy's Family Rental, which includes delivery and fuel. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion Kent James, seconded by Mike McCormick to authorize Terri and Sam to prepare the Growing Greener grant for the MS4 project in the borough not to exceed \$5k. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion Kent James, seconded by Doug Cowrin to approve the match commitment letter for the Growing Greener grant. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion Mike McCormick, seconded by Doug Corwin to authorize Terri and Sam to prepare the Act 13 grant for the MS4 project in the borough not to exceed \$2,500. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion Doug Corwin, seconded by Mike McCormick to approve the match commitment letter and resolution for the Act 13 grant. Motion passed unanimously.

Discussion on purchasing rubber or concrete wheel stops for the playground parking lot, as well as signage for the playground.

Motion Mike McCormick, seconded by Dan Bird to purchase six concrete wheel stops. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion Doug Corwin, seconded by Kent James to approve four signs for Nicolas Cumer Park - two of children playing and two for playground parking. Motion passed unanimously.

Discussion on a movie night at the park. Joe has a projector and screen for the movie showing. We will rent the movie through Swank Motion Pictures. Joe will post a poll online of movie choices. Tentative date is June 2nd.

Motion Joe Fulton, second Michael McCormick to authorize the spending of \$325 to show a movie and authorize the Park and Shade Committee to pick a date and rain date. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion Kent James, seconded by Joe Fulton to approve the Emergency Purchasing Policy. Motion passed unanimously.

Discussion on the block grant for handicap ramps. Maryann viewed the ramp sites.

Motion Doug Corwin, seconded by Kent James to approve the installation of nine ramps for \$53,775. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion Mike McCormick, seconded by Doug Corwin to authorize Cliff Eich of Transassociates to apply to the ARLE grant to replace the light on East Beau/South Wade/Thayer. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion Doug Corwin, seconded by Dan Bird to approve amending the January 9th minutes from 2022 to 2023. Motion passed unanimously.

Borough Reports

- Police
 - The department responded to approximately forty calls in the month of April.
 - Tim and Demond will work on a flier concerning parking for football season.
 - Tim will reach out to the Lemoyne Center asking them to put any ongoing police requests for the facility in writing.
- Code Enforcement
 - There was a structure fire at 510 East Chestnut, on April 8th. Jerry and representatives from Harshman viewed the interior building damage with the owner's permission. [Mary Penn Roessler]
 - Maryann, Jerry, and Jim Irwin toured the W&J rentals. Code enforcement will move forward with charging for thirty rentals in the five theme buildings in question.

Motion Doug Corwin seconded by Mumbi Mundia to go into executive session for personal and litigation at 8:40 pm. Motion passed unanimously.

Executive session ended at 9 pm.

Motion to add meeting with Dr. Knapp at W & J to the agenda made by Doug Corwin, seconded by Kent James. Motion passed unanimously.

No public comment.

Meeting with Dr Knapp was discussed. Tentative date is June 16th. Plan is to discuss ways to collaborate with the college.

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:10 pm made by Dan Bird, seconded by Kent James. Passed unanimously.