

East Washington Borough Council Meeting Minutes Monday, June 3rd, 2024 7:00 PM

Call to Order

Maryann Weinstein called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM.

Attendance

Attendance as below. All were present unless otherwise noted.

Demond Nixon - <i>Zoom & Present for executive session in person</i>		Tom Marshall
Dennis Makel, Esq.	Maryann Weinstein	Doug Corwin
Susan Cottrill	Michael McCormick	Kent James
Aaron Lucero	Arthur J. Fulton	Gerald Coleman - <i>Absent</i>
Tim Kreger - <i>Absent</i>	Alyssa Curry-Broderick	

Public Comment Period

- Susan Raimondi - 121 Lemoyne - Concerns about 102 South Wade and possible dangers of the inground pool, as well as 112 Lemoyne.
- Dan Bird - 34 Thayer - Asked for an update on MS4, shared concerns about drainage pipe in his yard, and children riding bikes in an unsafe manner on Thayer/Christman.
- Mumbi Mundia - 375 North Wade - Concerns about Borough technology security.
- Dawn Petrosky - 86 South Wade - Stated she saw two cars pass a school bus on South Wade and Wheeling, and suggested flashing red lights be placed on the stop signs.

Motion Kent James, seconded by Tom Marshall to approve accounts payable in the amount of \$13,678.66 including ACH payments. **Motion passed unanimously.**

Motion Doug Corwin, seconded by Mike McCormick to approve the May 6th minutes. **Motion passed unanimously.**

Borough Reports:

- Code enforcement - Maryann discussed reports on behalf of code enforcement.
- Aaron - Reported ongoing grass cutting and cold patching.
- Alyssa - Reported the Borough applied for reimbursement for the park benches; PLGIT audit had no findings.

Council Member Reports:

- Mike reported the May Planning Commission meeting was canceled due to lack of quorum.

- Joe reported the Park & Shade Committee is working on the first movie night of the season and the community picnic.

Motion Tom Marshall, seconded by Susan Cottrill to approve the blight committee to direct Harshman on a regular basis. **Motion passed unanimously.**

Discussion on parking ordinance changes. Maryann, Tom, Mike and Aaron will meet on Thursday.

Motion Joe Fulton, seconded by Tom Marshall to authorize the trash committee of Kent, Susan and Maryann to finalize the trash bid proposal and advertise it. **Passed unanimously.**

Discussion on pipe under Thayer Street. Sam Carroll provided the Borough with a letter regarding the pipe under Thayer St and two types of grates that could be used to cover it. He did not make any definitive recommendation as to whether the pipe should be covered or whether it should be left as is. Either course of action has pros and cons. Mike suggested looking into a railing, fence or warning sign. He will check with other municipalities.

Discussion about responding to anonymous Right to Know requests from FOIA Buddy. The Borough will not respond anymore under the recommendation on Dennis Makel.

Motion Doug Corwin, seconded by Kent James to approve the Blight Mitigation and Demolition applications for 102 South Wade & 510 East Chestnut. **Motion passed unanimously.**

Motion Doug Corwin, seconded by Susan Cottrill to authorize our solicitor to pursue communications with the bank and the RAWC in regard to rehabilitation of 102 South Wade. **Motion passed unanimously.**

Motion Kent James, seconded by Doug Corwin to approve road closure for Juneteenth on June 15th at 200 North Forrest Avenue (Lemoyne Community Center) from 11 am to 7 pm. The parade starts at 10:30, leaving from 77 South Main Street (Washington Financial Bank parking lot). **Motion passed unanimously.**

Motion Susan Cottrill, seconded by Mike McCormick to authorize Joe to arrange for the purchase of a Borough laptop, including whatever is necessary for set up, for Alyssa, not to exceed an amount of \$3k. **Motion passed unanimously.**

Motion Tom Marshall, seconded by Doug Corwin for Alyssa to work remotely on Mondays, from June 10th to August 21st. She will use her own computer until the laptop is ready, using the previous banking parameters. **Motion passed unanimously.**

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Discussion on website contact form and how to notify the public as to the appropriate form to use. Joe will work on this.

Motion Tom Marshall, seconded by Mike McCormick to have TransAssociates re-submit ARLE grant for the stoplight upgrade at East Beau/South Wade/Thayer. **Motion passed unanimously.**

Motion Kent James, seconded by Mike McCormick to go into Executive Session for personnel and litigation at 8:46. **Motion passed unanimously.**

Executive session ended at 9:02pm

Motion to adjourn by Tom Marshall, seconded by Kent James. **Passed unanimously.**

Respectfully submitted,
Alyssa Curry-Broderick