East Washington Borough Council Meeting Minutes

Monday, November 4th, 2024 7:00 PM

Call to Order

Maryann Weinstein called the meeting to order at 7 PM.

Attendance

ATTENDANCE AS BELOW. ALL WERE PRESENT UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED.

Demond Nixon - Zoom until ex. session Tom Marshall Dennis Makel, Esq.

Maryann Weinstein Doug Corwin Kent James

Susan Cottrill Michael McCormick Gerald Coleman - Absent
Aaron Lucero Arthur J. Fulton Tim Kreger - Absent

Alyssa Curry-Broderick

Public Comment Period

- Susan Raimondi 121 Lemoyne Had concerns about the Lemoyne Avenue zoning petition costs and timeline of petition during the holiday season.
- Adam Raggi 30 Lemoyne Shared concerns that an area on Lemoyne (brick) had sunk.

Motion Joe Fulton, seconded by Mike McCormick to approve accounts payable (General - \$32,970.39, including ACH payments. **Motion passed unanimously.**

Motion Kent James, seconded by Susan Cottrill to approve the August 19th minutes. **Motion passed unanimously.**

Motion Doug Corwin, seconded by Mike McCormick to approve the October 7th minutes. **Motion passed unanimously.**

Motion Tom Marshall, seconded by Doug Corwin to approve the September 9th minutes. **Motion carried 6-1. Maryann abstained.**

Borough Reports:

Public Works - Reported on going road patching and leaf collection.

Council Member Reports:

 Doug Corwin - Reported he is making plans for representatives from the Borough to meet with the President of W&J, Elizabeth MacLeod Walls.

Kim Turnley from Mark C. Turnley, CPA, presented the 2023 audit. There were no findings. The final fund balance for 2023 was \$1,283,080. Kim will visit at the end of the year to make any needed corrections to Quickbooks.

Tom Flickinger from the Lemoyne Center Board, presented the LSA grant proposal for Phase II upgrades to the Lemoyne Center, including new classrooms, restrooms, a larger administration area, and a foyer. The requested \$400,000 from the County LSA grant will complete the necessary funding to begin construction. The project is being managed by McKinley Architecture and Engineering, and the Redevelopment Authority of Washington County. The Borough wrote a letter of support for the project in October.

The budget planning meeting will be held on November 13th, at 7 PM.

Motion Joe Fulton, seconded by Tom Marshall to approve the requested spending of no more than \$700 for the light-up night activities, holiday tree, additional ornaments, and Santa. **Motion passed unanimously.**

Motion Joe Fulton, seconded by Sue Cottrill to approve 2025 Council Meeting dates. **Motion passed unanimously.**

Discussion on the Community Development Block Grant. Motion Kent James, seconded by Susan Cottrill to authorize Aaron, Mike, and the RAWC to decide on new handicap ramp locations. **Motion passed unanimously.**

Discussion on the new trash contract with Earthwise, formerly Bigs Sanitation. Pick up will continue to be on Tuesdays.

Discussion on parking and trash ordinances that need to be updated. Makel will continue working on possible changes. The trailer on East Wheeling has been moved.

Discussion on MS4 status. The project should be ready to bid in the Spring.

Motion Kent James, seconded by Mike McCormick to go into Executive Session for personnel at 8:12 PM. **Motion passed unanimously.** [Mayor Nixon was present in person for the Executive Session.]

Motion Tom Marshall seconded by Kent James, to continue the meeting to November 13th, at 7 PM. **Motion passed unanimously.**

Respectfully submitted, Alyssa Curry-Broderick