

East Brady Borough Council Meeting Minutes

Media: Josh Walzak
Leader Vindicator

Regular Meeting -02/07/2023
East Brady Borough Council
Room 14 6:00 PM

Meeting brought to order at 6:00 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance and a prayer.

PRESENT: Barb Mortimer, Joe Hillwig, Denny King, Bill John, Justin Wagner and Joy McCluskey.

ABSENT: Jenny Switzer and Mayor Tracy Sheakley.

ROLL CALL: As Above

ATTENDANCE: Rick Barnett with Senate Engineering, Curtis Double, Josh Walzak and Chief Robert Malnofsky.

MINUTES: *It was moved by Joe Hillwig and seconded by Denny King to accept the minutes from the previous meeting as presented. Motion carried.*

CITIZENS TO SPEAK: None

Maintenance Report: Daily work journals provided.

Curtis Double reported that they pulled a new water line under 3rd Ave., near Mark Simpson's house. He said the Borough could use their own line puller. Cost is approx. \$1300.00. Joe suggested they approve buying up to \$1500.00.

Motion: Joe Hillwig 2nd: Denny King MC

Susan said Russ Dudek called and said there is a hissing noise coming from the sewer plant. Curtis said it is a blower and that he would talk to Jim Prusak with CWM about it.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Police- Chief Malnofsky provided the January police report. He also said that the Brady Cup basketball tournament was a success and that they have hired 2 part time officers.

Chief Malnofsky asked if the Borough has a Constable. We do not. Discussion followed.

Engineer's Report – Provided by Rick Barnett with Senate Engineering.

The report updated ongoing projects.

Rick suggested that we contact a local contractor to get a quote on a new salt shed.

Water/Sewer- Water meeting was held on January 23, 2023.

Quote from Palco for Emergency generator at Water Standpipe: \$13,990.00 (Kohler)

Quote from Macurak HVAC for generator at Water Standpipe: \$8,500.00 (Generac).

Discussion followed regarding the use of Natural Gas vs propane. Joe prefers Kohler.

**Motion to purchase the Generac from Mecurak: Denny King 2nd: Joy McCluskey
Joe Hillwig opposed. MC**

Updated quote from Hey Electric for Electrical upgrades at pump station: \$106,370.00.

Motion to accept: Denny King 2nd: Joe Hillwig MC

Quote from Book and Proch for:

Cleaning of Well #3: \$30855.00

Motion to approve: Denny King 2nd: Joe Hillwig MC

Cleaning of Well #2: \$31540.00 Council will table until Well 3 is cleaned.

Covering of Well #2 (including permitting and engineering) \$54,711.00 -previously approved.

Total cost of \$117,106.00

Joy would like to go to Ford City with Curtis and look at their water plant. Discussion followed. Council had no objection.

Personnel – N/A

Streets & Street Lights: All of the street lights that were out have been replaced.

Building: Denny and Bernie Hall installed a door at the end of the hall where it meets Bernie's side of the building. A thank you will be sent to Mr. Hall.
The ceiling in the Locker Room is leaking. Kroh Roofing will patch it.

Rental Approval: N/A

Municipal Approval: N/A

Parks and trails: N/A

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: The Spreadsheet with unfinished projects was reviewed.
Our solicitor will be contacted regarding the emergency water bypass at the plant.

COSTARS contract for 2023-2024 needs to be submitted. Tabled from January meeting. After discussion it was decided to request the same as last year.

Ordinance 2023-01 vacating a portion of 3rd St. from Kellys Way toward the river. Advertised and ready for adoption.

Motion to approve: Joe Hillwig 2nd: Bill John MC

NEW BUSINESS: Bid limits for 2023 are now: Less than \$12,200.00- have work done.
Between \$12,200.00 and \$22,500.00- 3 quotes needed (phone quotes are acceptable).
Over \$22,500.00 it is necessary to have bids received. There can be exceptions.

CORRESPONDENCE:N/A

MONTHLY BILLS: There are 2 spreadsheets, since there were 3 weeks between meetings. The balances on Spreadsheet #2 are the accurate amounts.

Motion to pay the bills: Denny King 2nd: Justin Wagner MC

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Not needed.

Motion to adjourn meeting: Justin Wagner 2nd: Denny King MC
Meeting adjourned at 7:11 pm.

Submitted by: _____

Susan D. Buechele
Secretary/Treasurer