

East Brady Borough Council Meeting Minutes

Media: Evanne Garies

Regular Meeting -11/07/2023
East Brady Borough Council
Room 14 6:00 PM

A budget workshop was held prior to the regular meeting.
The Budget for 2024 will be presented to council at the November 21st meeting. If it is acceptable, it will be advertised and then accepted at the first meeting in December of 2023.

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

PRESENT: Joe Hillwig, Jenny Switzer, Bill John and Joy McCluskey.

ABSENT: Barb Mortimer, Denny King, Justin Wagner and Tracy Sheakley.

ROLL CALL: As Above

ATTENDANCE: Rev. Bev Roscoe, Linda Hilliard, Curtis Double and Rick Barnett.

MINUTES: *It was moved by Jenny Switzer and seconded by Bill John to accept the minutes from the previous meeting as presented. Motion carried.*

CITIZENS TO SPEAK: Rev. Bev Roscoe. Rev. Roscoe would like to move "Threads of Hope" to Room 1 of the Community Center. It is a used clothing store. Rent is \$250.00 a month plus heat. They are asking for a lower rental rate. Room 4 is available and the rent there is \$175.00. Council suggested they rent that room for a few months to get started. They will consider it and get back to us.

Maintenance Report: Curtis reported that the electrical work at the pump station is complete. They are having some computer issues that is causing alarms to go off. Doug with HCS came today and hopefully fixed the problem.

They have been busy picking up and dumping leaves.

Joe asked if the snow plows and salt spreaders have been prepared. They have not. Curtis will get to that.

Quote from Stephenson Equipment for forks for the backhoe: \$3500.00 plus shipping.

Motion to purchase: Bill John 2nd: Joy McCluskey MC

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Police- October report provided.

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

Quote from Senate Engineering for completion of GIS mapping: \$4959.00

Approved at previous meeting.

Rick will see if the GIS information can be put on a iPad or tablet. If it can we will purchase one just for that purpose.

Resolution 2023-04 is for Grant application for a salt storage shed (estimate \$165,527.00)

Motion: Joy McCluskey 2nd: Jenny Switzer MC

Resolution 2023-05 is for Grant application for Community Center upgrades (Gym roof, Gym Furnace, and emergency generator), (estimate \$502,945.00)

Motion: Jenny Switzer 2nd: Bill John

Resolution 2023-06 is for Grant application for 1st Avenue Water line replacement (estimate \$396,067.00)

Motion: Bill John 2nd: Joy McCluskey MC

Resolution 2023-07 is for Grant application for water Treatment plant Improvements (estimate \$938,484.00)

Motion: Joy McCluskey 2nd: Jenny Switzer MC

Water/Sewer- Quote from Hey Electric for work on well #3. \$1990.00
Motion to approve: Joe Hillwig 2nd: Jenny Switzer MC

The next water committee meeting is Monday, November 20 at 2:30 pm in the borough office.

Joe reported that Jace Hiles will be working to make a roadway around the standpipe so that it can be cleaned. We will let Aaron know so that he can schedule the cleaning.

Personnel : N/A

Streets & Street Lights: N/A

Building: Update on Gym Remodeling. On schedule to be complete before Thanksgiving!
Furnace in Gym not working. Chris Ciciarelli came and is working on it. Joe suggested that we may need a new furnace in there. Motion to purchase new furnace up to \$30,000.00 if needed.

Motion: Joy McCluskey 2nd: Joe Hillwig MC

A certified letter will be sent to Lease holders who are behind in rent. They will have 10 days to respond and then the locks will be changed. They will be responsible for the cost to clean out the room and late fees.

Rental Approval: See citizens to speak.

Municipal Approval: N/A

Parks and trails: Discussed leaf cleanup at Veteran's Park and Community Center. Joe has a "Cyclone" leaf vacuum that he says we are welcome to use. We will look into purchasing one of our own for next year.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: N/A

NEW BUSINESS: Armstrong cable is coming to put up Christmas lights on Thursday, Nov. 16, 2023.

Quote for a new office computer from Clarion Computer: \$2,375.17

Motion to purchase: Joy McCluskey 2nd: Bill John MC

CORRESPONDENCE: N/A

MONTHLY BILLS: There are 2 spreadsheets since there were 5 weeks since the last meeting.

Motion to pay the bills: Jenny Switzer 2nd: Joy McCluskey MC

EXECUTIVE SESSION: entered into Executive session at 7:10pm to discuss personal matters.
Back in regular session at 7:22 pm. No action taken.

Motion to adjourn meeting: Jenny Switzer 2nd: Bill John MC

Meeting adjourned at 7:22 pm.

Submitted by: _____

***Susan D. Buechele
Secretary/Treasurer***