

East Brady Borough Council Meeting Minutes

Media: Josh Walzak
Leader Vindicator

Regular Meeting -01/07/2025
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: Barbara Mortimer, Joe Hillwig, Denny King, Jenny Switzer, Joy McCluskey and Mayor Bill Rode.

ABSENT: Devon Weidenhof and Justin Wagner.

ROLL CALL: As Above

ATTENDANCE: Josh Walzak and Larry Lennon with LSSE.

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

CITIZENS TO SPEAK: None.

Maintenance Report: Provided by Curtis Double. Mayor Rode commented that our Maintenance guys are doing a great job keeping the streets clear of ice and snow.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Mayor's Report: Nothing.

EMS Report: N/A

Police- The December Report is provided.

Engineer's Report –Provided by Larry Lennon with LSSE.

After discussion, motion made to accept the bid from Groundwater Research for a feasibility Study and meeting with the DEP to discuss a location for a new water well.

Motion: Joe Hillwig 2nd: Denny King MC

Water/Sewer- 1st Quarter bills were mailed 12/31/24.

Parts for the new sewage pump station are finally in. Pre-construction meeting is Friday, Jan 10 at 9 am. Installation is slated to begin Wednesday January 22, 2025.

Joy suggested that our employees have name badges. Susan will obtain them. Susan will also order mace to put in the trucks.

Personnel – The financial interest forms for 2025 are in your folders. Please fill out and return.

Streets & Street Lights: Bill and Sandy Haller that live at 414 Grant St. would like us to put some limestone on the alley between their property and 418 Grant St. Discussion followed. It will be put on the list of streets for the spring.

Main Street Committee: Mayor Rode gave a brief update.

Building: The Brady Cup Basketball tournament on Feb 1 is cancelled.

Rental Approval: Spotlight Dance would like to use the Gym on Saturday, Feb.8 for a dance recital from 11-4. Wants to use the Locker room in addition. \$100.00. They can change to Feb.1 if desired.

Motion: Joe Hillwig 2nd: Denny King MC

Municipal Approval: N/A

Parks and trails: N/A

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Pending Projects spreadsheet provided. It will be updated monthly.

NEW BUSINESS: According to the elections office there are 3 council seats up for election this year (Jenny Switzer, Joy McCluskey and Justin Wagner) as well as the tax collector (Kina Fink) and Mayor (Bill Rode). Jenny Switzer commented that she will not be running for reelection.

CORRESPONDENCE: received a letter from ARDC asking East Brady Borough to pass a resolution in support of their mission and initiatives.

Motion to approve Resolution 2025-01: Joe Hillwig 2nd: Denny King MC

Received an email saying we need to enroll in the COSTARS purchasing program for road salt in 2026 by March 15, 2025

Motion to approve ordering the same amount as last year: Joe Hillwig 2nd: Denny King MC

MONTHLY BILLS: There are 2 pages of bills.

The balances on Page 1 are accurate end of year totals. Page 2 has current totals.

Motion to pay the bills: Denny King 2nd: Jenny Switzer MC

Transfer of Funds: It was necessary to transfer \$50 from Revitalization account to Capital Imp. Fund to keep the account active.

It was necessary to transfer \$10,000.00 from Special Water to Water to cover expenses.

Motion to approve: Denny King 2nd: Jenny Switzer MC

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Entered into executive session at 7:19 pm to discuss personnel issues.

Back in session at 7:33 pm.

Motion made to increase hourly rate for Curtis Double and Susan Buechele by \$1.50 and to increase the hourly rate for Harold Robinson by \$.50. Effective January 1, 2025.

Motion: Joe Hillwig 2nd: Denny King MC

Motion to adjourn meeting: Jenny Switzer 2nd: Joy McCluskey MC

Meeting adjourned at 7:38 pm.

Submitted by: _____

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

Next meeting is scheduled for January 21, 2025