

Regular Meeting Minutes for the Borough of Elizabeth Council April 23, 2024

Call to order April 23, 2024 at 7pm - by Tim Guffey

Pledge of Allegiance

In Attendance

Mr. Cole Buchina
Mrs. Desiree Gephart
Mr. Chad Rager
Mr. Chuck Smith
Mr. Tim Guffey
Mayor Boucher
Solicitor Matta
Chief Ken Honick
Borough Manager Scott Craighead

Absent

Mr. Jason Berman
Mrs. Dana Cress

Announcements:

This meeting is being recorded for transcription of the minutest only.

Visitors:

Larry Ross -- April 27th is the first event for the EADC-- Pooch Parade

May 11th is the first Market on Plum

The Just Clean double handicap Port-a-Potty will be placed behind Snowy's.

It will be in place until October. The facility will be locked and only open during events, such as the Saturday Markets and the Thursday Night Concerts and for Riverfest

Approval of Minutes:

Motion to approve the minutes of the March 20th, 2024 Workshop, and the March 26th, 2024 Council Meeting.

Motion: Chuck Smith

2nd: Cole Buchina

All in favor --- Approved.

Approval for Payment of the Bills:

Motion to pay the bills as presented.

Motion: Chad Rager

2nd: Cole Buchina

All in favor --- Approved

Reports:

Mayor: Feels that the town is moving in a positive direction with the presence of the Elizabeth Township Police Department and is thankful for the support given through the council, Tim and Chief Honick.

Treasurer: Reports are in the packet for review

Solicitor: Nothing for the public session

Building Inspector: The building inspector was not present at the meeting. A discussion arose in terms of the fact that the building inspector has not attended meetings regularly. Scott indicated that the building inspector should be invited to the next meeting for updates and to look to the future.

Chief of Police: Reports are in the packet for review. Chief Honick mentioned the tragic incident that happened and wanted to thank the borough Fire Department, EMT, and the other 16 communities that provided mutual aid in the search and recovery to bring the family closure. Mr. Chuck Smith commented that he appreciates the level of communication that is between the departments and how everyone is working together for the community.

Animal Control: No report

Borough Manager: Report is in the packet.

Committee meetings need to be scheduled possibly for the first Wednesday of each month.

Looking to get bids expedited for the GEDTF Grants so that the work can start.

The Maple Avenue project is completed, and the road is now reopened. The 2nd phase of that project should start over the next few months.

Paving should start in the next few weeks on 4th and Birch Alley.

Mr. Chad Rager and I met with engineers to set a plan for the riverwalk trail project. The trail project will be completed after the Army Corp barge project has been completed and is currently on hold.

Army Corp and Glenn Engineering are working out the details for the timeframe of the riverfront project and will have to amend the contract for the agreement of dates. The Army Corp will hold a public session in May for anyone to attend to discuss the demolition of the Lock & Dam and the impact on river traffic.

The demolition of 3 houses will be completed over the next few weeks.

As of April 23rd – there was communication provided by the DOT that trucks will not be allowed to travel through the borough – trucks will not be able to travel off of Route 51 North to turn right onto 3rd Ave., nor will they be able to turn left onto 2nd & market to travel South on Route 51.

Reports of Committees:

Budget & Finance: Reports are in the packet for review

Public Safety & Public Works: Reports are in the packet for review. 4/3 & 4/4 assistance with flood

Ordinance: Nothing to report

Personnel: Nothing to report

Economic Development: Nothing to report

Planning: Nothing to report

Old Business: Nothing to report

New Business: A motion to approve the 3 following as one motion:

1. Approve proposal for Just Klean to provide 2 portable restrooms for \$300.00 monthly
2. Approve a Vegetation Management Service Agreement with Ehrlich for \$1,755.00
3. Approve the hire of Michael Piper of \$10.00/hr for summer help for the Public Works Department with the start date of May 1, 2024.

Motion: Chuck Smith

2nd: Cole Buchina

All in favor --- Approved

Public Comments: Nothing to report

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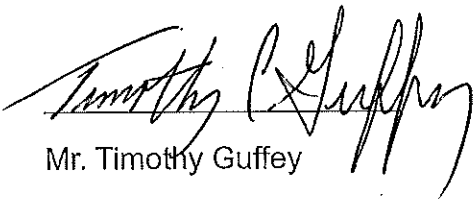
Adjournment: Motion to adjourn council meeting at 7:28pm

Motion: Chuck Smith

2nd: Desiree Gephart

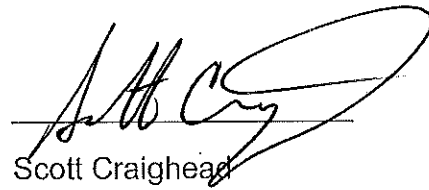
All in favor --- Approved

Prepared by:



Mr. Timothy Guffey

Council President



Scott Craighead

Borough Manager