

Minutes
Borough of Elizabeth - Regular Meeting of Council
January 23, 2024 7:00 PM

EXECUTIVE SESSION – Litigation & Personnel Issues 6:30

President Guffey called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Present: Mr. Buchina, Mrs. Cress, Mr. Guffey, Mr. Rager, Mr. Smith, Mrs. Gephart, Mr. Berman

Others Present: Solicitor Matta, Mr. Craighead

Absent: Mayor Boucher

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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VISITORS

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to approve the minutes of the December 20, 2023 Workshop Meeting and the December 26, 2023 Council Meeting.

Motion - Mr. Smith

Second -Mr. Buchina

All in favor - Mr. Berman abstained – Motion passed

PAYMENT OF BILLS

Motion to pay the bills as presented.

Motion – Mr. Buchina

Second - Mr. Smith

All in favor – Motion passed

REPORTS

Mayor –

Treasurer – Report is in the packet.

Solicitor – Nothing for the public session

Building Inspector - Nothing

Chief of Police – Report is in the packet. Chief Honick presented that the police coverage has been very well received. The officers are excited to have a downtown area that can be patrolled and walked. They are looking forward to the summer activities. The report is for the first 22 days of coverage. The report is the standard format report that is presented to Elizabeth Township, Forward Township and West Elizabeth. If the council would like additional information to be added he is open to adding information. The police cars are equipped to track the activities of the police. He explained the different type of data in the report to council. Traffic stops will be much higher in volume than citations. DOT truck will be used to regulate safety with the truck traffic. This program will not be used a revenue generating program. The State Police monitor that program closely. Chief would like to have a meet the police meeting for the public.

Animal Control –

Borough Manager – The report is in the packet.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Budget & Finance –

Public Safety –

Public Works – Report is in the packet.

Parks and Recreation –

Ordinance –

Personnel –

Economic Development –

Planning –

Old Business -

New Business

Motion to approve Item 1 – 6 all as one motion

Motion – Mr. Buchina

Second – Mr. Smith

All in favor

1. Motion to approve the agreement between the Army Corp of Engineers and Elizabeth Borough for the relocation of Riverfront Park.
2. Motion to approve 2023 Re-Occurring Expenses list included in packet.
3. Motion to pay invoice for membership dues for \$3,000 to Steel Rivers Council of Government for the period of 1/1/2024– 12/31/2024.
4. Motion to pay invoice to Steel Rivers council of Governments for 2022 Calendar Year Sale Tax Revenues. The amount

due is \$2,087.73 and is based on 25% of the total increase between 2021 and 2022.

5. Motion to grant Glenn Engineering permission to advertise for bids for 2020-GEDTF-147 Grant (Moving Elizabeth Forward Grant) and the 19-GEDF-025 (Elizabeth Borough Central Business District Streetscape Improvement Initiative)
6. Motion to accept the low quote of \$1,500.00 from Allegheny Global Environmental to provide asbestos surveys for demolition properties located at 164 Center Street and 225 McKeesport Road.

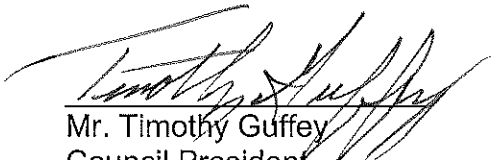
PUBLIC COMMENTS

GOOD OF THE ORDER

**Motion to Adjourn – Mr. Berman
Second – Mrs. Gephart
All in Favor**

ADJOURNMENT – 7:29 PM

Prepared by:


Mr. Timothy Guffey
Council President


Scott Craighead
Borough Manager