

# **Regular Meeting Minutes for the Borough of Elizabeth Council June 25, 2024**

Call to order June 25, 2024 at 7pm - by Tim Guffey

Pledge of Allegiance

## **In Attendance**

Mr. Jason Berman  
Mr. Chad Rager  
Mrs. Desiree Gephart  
Mr. Chuck Smith  
Mr. Tim Guffey  
Solicitor Gina  
Chief Ken Honick  
Borough Manager Scott Craighead

## **Absent**

Mrs. Dana Cress  
Mr. Cole Buchina  
Mayor Boucher

## **Announcements:**

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

## **Visitors:**

- Sara Hammel - asking for the borough's help with a petition to have a stop sign, light, or other traffic indicator at the intersection of Route 48 (Scenery Drive), and Broadlawn Drive. This is due to her cousin being hit by another vehicle. The borough will be happy to assist in any way to the petition that she has, unfortunately being that the accident happened in the township, she was directed to go to the township council meeting on July 1, 2024.  
- Chief Honick met with Senator Brewster, a representative from PennDOT, and a representative from Allegheny County, on June 13<sup>th</sup>, to walk the site of the tragedy. The accident reports are being assessed and discussions will continue to implement some type of signage or road markings.

## **Public Comments on Agenda Items:**

None

## **Approval of Minutes:**

Motion to approve the minutes of the May 15<sup>th</sup> Workshop Minutes and the May 28, 2024 Council Meeting.

Motion: Jason Berman

2<sup>nd</sup>: Chad Rager

All in favor --- Approved.

## **Approval for Payment of the Bills:**

Motion to pay the bills as presented.

Motion: Chuck Smith

2<sup>nd</sup>: Jason Berman

All in favor --- Approved

## **Reports:**

**Mayor:** Not present – no report

**Treasurer:** Reports are in the packet for review

**Solicitor:** Nothing for the public session

**Building Inspector:** Not present – no report

**Chief of Police:** Report is in the packet.

**Animal Control:** No report to be given

**Borough Manager:**

- CD 48 - Paving Fourth Ave dead end is complete.
- Paving of Birch Alley dead end and Bendel Way is complete.
- LSA Maple Avenue – Reconstruction of top portion of Maple Avenue is complete.
- GEDTF – Reconstruction of lower portion of Maple Avenue has been approved for \$411,500.00 and VFD parking lot has been approved for 175,625.00. These 2 projects should go out for bid in the next few weeks. We hope to have those projects completed by Fall.
- Construction has started for 19-GEDF-147 – Moving Elizabeth Forward – Market Street Improvements, and 2020-GEDTF-25 – Green Space in June. The project cost came in at \$694,777.79
- We applied for a grant for Phase II of the River walk for \$250,000 additional funds.
- Our codification project has started and the timeline had to be adjusted to complete the project by July 2025.
- Construction has started on the sidewalks on market street

**Reports of Committees:**

**Budget & Finance:** Reports are in the packet review. Budget analysis sheets for January through April are included in your packets

**Public Safety & Public Works:** Reports are in the packet for review.

**Ordinance:** Nothing to report

**Personnel:** Nothing to report

**Economic Development:** Nothing to report

**Planning:** Nothing to report

**Old Business:**

**New Business:** A motion to approve the following 6 motions as one full motion

1. Motion to ratify Resolution 2024-01 from May 28, 2024, to request a grant from Greenways, Trails and Recreation Program (GTRP) of \$250,000 from the Commonwealth Financing Authority to be used for Riverwalk ADA Accessible Pedestrian Walkway – Phase II
2. Motion to approve the Riverfest Application to be held on July 26<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup>, 2024
3. Motion to approve Concurring Resolution 2024-02 for \$411,500 for the GEDTF Grant for Maple Ave.
4. Motion to approve Concurring Resolution 2024-03 for \$175,625 for the VFD Parking Lot Reconstruction
5. Motion to approve the payment of Lutterman Exc. for CFA Demolition Grant in the amount of \$24,900.00
6. Motion to consent to EBMA Petition for exoneration of taxes for 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue property Lot/Block 11330R-368

Motion: Jason Berman

2<sup>nd</sup>: Chuck Smith

All in favor --- Approved

**Public Comments:**

Tim Guffey – The 2025 Budget will need to be under review soon. Council members should submit a wish list in which they would like the budget to be utilized.

Andy Miklos – Compliments to the Elizabeth Township Police Force and Chief Honick for their presence in the borough. He can tell that there is just a better community feel and thanks the council for taking the steps necessary for looking into better solutions.

**Good of the Order:** No comments

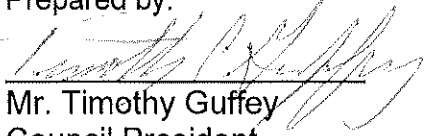
**Adjournment:** Motion to adjourn council meeting at 7:23pm


Motion: Chuck Smith

2<sup>nd</sup>: Chad Rager

All in favor --- Approved

Prepared by:

  
Mr. Timothy Guffey  
Council President

  
Scott Craighead  
Borough Secretary