

Evans City Borough Council Minutes
October 5, 2020

I. Call to Order/Pledge

The Meeting was called to order by Council President Cheri Deener at 7:05pm with the pledge of allegiance.

II. Roll call

Council Members Present:

Cheri Deener-Kohan
Norman Nelson
Rob Reppert
Brad Rubinosky
Diana Zoelle
Dean Zinkhann, Mayor

Others Present:

Elizabeth Crowley, Secretary
Neva Stotler, Solicitor
Ed Tanski, ECWSA
John Rodgers, EDCO Park

III. Public Comment

Judy Forman of 101 May Lane brought to the attention of the board that neighboring properties' drainage is washing out the gravel at the bottom of her driveway, along with the retaining wall on her property. She would like to see a stormwater drain at the corner of Charles Ln and May Ln. Ms. Forman is willing to purchase the pipe for under her driveway and the Public Works Crew will install it.

Rick Reifenstein of 346 W. Main St had a kitchen fire last Wednesday. He stressed the importance of keeping smoke detectors and fire extinguishers in working order at all times. October 4-10, 2020 is National Fire Prevention Week.

Pam Greenwalt of 2104 Evans City Rd, Zelenople and owner of P&B Sweets on Main St. presented a proposed parade map for the 2020 Halloween parade. She realizes that the weight limit on the Harrison St. bridge is an issue for rerouting trucks. Her route would have the line-up on Wahl Ave and move through traffic to the other side of town.

Shelley Natali of Washington Ave announced that the Lion's Club would still like to hold the Halloween Parade after talking with residents and receiving their strong support. The Lion's Club is also hosting a decorating contest that will be judged the Monday before Halloween.

Dick Heckard of 328 N. Washington St. would like to see the reservoir opened to the public for fishing and boating/kayaking. Council and public spoke of grants, liability issues, and people leaving trash.

IV. Discussion Items

a. Ben Levinger presented his company DTRevitalization for the downtown revitalization project in Evans City. Presentation on file.

V. Official Actions

a. Approval of September 8 and September 17 Minutes motioned by Norm Nelson, second by Rob Reppert. Vote 5 yes, 0 no. Motion passed.

b. Payment of the expenses motioned by Brad Rubinosky, second by Diana Zoelle. Vote 5 yes, 0 no. Motion passed.

c. The motion to reimburse EDCO Park for Covid related expenses tabled.

d. Motion to allow "Movie in the Park" Night on October 17 made by Diana Zoelle, second by Norm Nelson. Vote 5 yes, 0 no. Motion passed.

e. Motion to donate unused generator and trailer to CVREMA made by Rob Reppert, second by Diana Zoelle. Vote 5 yes, 0 no. Motion passed.

- f. Motion to close S. Jackson St for Library's movie night on October 16 made by Brad Rubinosky, second by Diana Zoelle. Vote 5 yes, 0 no. Motion passed.
- g. Motion to have Bruce and Merrilee's calibrate and fix traffic and pedestrian signals made by Rob Reppert, second by Norm Nelson. Vote 5 yes, 0 no. Motion passed.
- h. Motion to offer employment to Cody McCormick at \$15/hour for up to 30 hours a week contingent on budget support made by Brad Rubinosky, second by Diana Zoelle. Vote 5 yes, 0 no. Motion passed.
- i. Motion to purchase 2020 JD Skid Steer with attachments for \$55,975 to be paid annually for 5 years in the amount of \$12131.66 plus applicable fees made by Norm Nelson, second by Rob Reppert. Vote 4 yes, 0 no. Motion Passed. Diana Zoelle was absent.
- j. After the Executive session, a motion to allow Lions Club to use the public Rights-of-Way within the borough to host the 2020 Halloween Parade and must be responsible for the parade and all its activities, being consistent with CDC guidelines, and using Fire Police consistent with their contract, and providing the borough with a certificate of insurance, and procuring any permits required made by Cheri Deener, second by Brad Rubinosky. Vote 4 yes, 0 no. Motion passed. Diana Zoelle was absent.

VI. Reports:

- a. Mayor – Asked about Occupancy Permits within the borough. The process will need to be looked at once we have a code enforcement officer.
- b. Solicitor – Nothing new to report
- c. ECWSA – Ed Tanski reported on the water line project as well as future expansion for surrounding housing developments. Report on file.
- d. EDCO Park – John Rodgers reported that the virtual purse bingo will be held Nov. 14 for fundraising for the park. He also inquired on the status of the Veterans Monuments being moved. Additionally, the park will be closed from dusk to dawn. Signs have been ordered and the borough will bill the park for the expense.
- e. Committees
 - i. HR – reported on the candidate for the part-time Public Works employee.
 - ii. Finance – Budget work continues.
 - iii. Streets – Report on file.
- f. President – Trick or Treat will still be held as scheduled; however, Ms. Deener is still concerned about the safety of holding the parade.

VII. Executive Session

Council entered executive session at 8:54, returning at 9:07 with decision reflected in Official Actions.

VIII. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn at 9:08pm made by Brad Rubinosky, second by Rob Reppert. Motion passed.