

June 7, 2010
East Greenville, PA

Council President, Jennifer Boyer called the June 7, 2010 meeting of East Greenville Borough Council to order at 7:30 p.m. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. Answering the roll call were: Mayor, Ryan J. Sloyer, Jennifer Boyer, Tracey Hunsinger, John Naylor, Josiah Pierson, and Ryan Pugh. Also present were: Donald W. Huff, James L. Fry, Atty. Barry Tomlinson, 11 visitors and 1 member of the press.

The minutes of the regular meeting of May 3, 2010, having been circulated and a copy made available to the public were presented for Council's approval. There being no additions or corrections, Pres. Boyer declared the minutes approved as presented.

VISITORS:

Pres. Boyer recognized Todd Smith of the Colonial Village Association. Mr. Smith stated that the association is ready to transfer all the common ground over to the Borough. He asked if the Borough Solicitor could handle the paper work. Pres. Boyer told Mr. Smith that we have to discuss this idea and get some idea what the cost will be. Atty. Tomlinson stated that there may be a conflict of interest with him doing work for the association and the Borough. Mayor Sloyer stated he felt it's a good idea. He asked if the people in the village would help the Borough to clean up the area. Mr. Smith said if the area is improved he feels some of the people would help. Pres. Boyer asked Atty. Tomlinson to look into the matter and give Council an estimate of the costs involved. Mayor Sloyer said that the County is looking at the area for improvement as a park. Pres. Boyer asked Mr. Smith to come to the June 22nd workshop meeting and he agreed.

Lusandre Chaudric would like to put flower pots by our new period street lights. She will get everything donated. She and other volunteers will take care of the watering and weeding. Pres. Boyer asked her to go to U.P. Downtown. Mayor Sloyer noted that no one is against the idea.

Pres. Boyer recognized Tammy Van Fleet who is the owner of 340 Main Street. She is contesting the Trash fee bill as she provides a dumpster for her tenants. Pres. Boyer informed her that the Borough pays the contractor to collect and dispose of their trash. Pres. Boyer told her that we will look at this in the next contract. Mayor Sloyer explained that we relied on bag sales to pay the contract. Pennsburg has been doing this for years. We started the fee to be sure non users of the per bag system would be paying their share. She was told the best way to know what is happening in the Borough is to visit our web site at www.egreenville.org.

Pres. Boyer recognized Dan Desch who wanted to know why residents have to use the Borough system and landlords don't. Mayor Sloyer explained that dumpsters are more costly than our bag system. Our bag system helps us keep outside trash from being dumped in the Borough. Pres. Boyer stated that this is not an ideal program but it is the best we could come up with to balance the budget. Mr. Desch stated there was no due date on the Trash invoice and he does not want to pay the penalty amount of \$22.00. He was told to put the request in writing. Mr. Desch brought up the problem of parking on the 400 block of Jefferson Street. Much of the problem was in the area of the old Plummer Building at 413 Jefferson Street. Mr. Fry noted that by state law there is no

parking with 15 feet of a fire hydrant. Mayor Sloyer stated that there were a lot of things looked at in this area and the decisions that were made were based on safety. Pres. Boyer noted that parking is a problem in the entire Borough. Mayor Sloyer stated that street parking is public parking. Mr. Fry notes that the county is doing a parking study of the entire Borough. The study will be presented at a public meeting in the future. Pres. Boyer stated that the studies done by the County are very comprehensive.

POLICE COMMISSION:

Mayor Sloyer reported that the allocation for June is \$ 39,093.33 plus rent to Pennsburg Borough at \$825.00. The commission is still looking for someone to become the Animal Control Officer.

SOLICITOR ITEMS:

Atty Tomlinson presented **ORDINANCE 2010-04. ORDINANCE 2010-04** amends the Code of Ordinances of the Borough of East Greenville, adopted by Ordinance No. 44-76 and thereafter amended, with respect to enact a new Article to be entitled "Local Services Tax". On a motion by Mr. Pugh and a second by Mr. Naylor, which passed, Council adopted **ORDINANCE 2010-04.**

Atty Tomlinson presented Council with **ORDINANCE 2010-05. ORDINANCE 2010-05** adds to the Code of Ordinances of the Borough of East Greenville Article II of Chapter 10-1 entitles "Borough Manager" and defining the responsibilities thereof. On a motion by Mr. Naylor and a second by Mr. Pugh, which passed, Council adopted **ORDINANCE 2010-05.**

Atty Tomlinson noted that his office is still working on the 2009 Property Maintenance Code which will be adopted in the near future.

WATER COMMITTEE:

There was a break in at the Old Water Plant. The old door was damaged and we are looking to get a new one. On the Water Plant Upgrade DEP has given approval to bid out the project when the final plans are done. On a motion by Mr. Pugh and a second by Ms. Hunsinger, which passed, Council approved bidding out the project when the final plans are done.

SOURCE WATER COMMITTEE:

Mr. Fry reported that the yearly meeting was a success. The main topic was looking at some local projects we can do.

ZONING-PLANNING COMMITTEE:

Mr. Fry reported that there were a lot of violation notices issued for weeds and high grass. Yard Sales that are running every day are becoming a problem. Mr. Desch noted that this could hurt some people financially. Mayor Sloyer stated we will try to reason with people that have things out all the time.

The Life Span Land Development is ready to receive final approval of it plan. Mr. Pany noted that there is no play area in the front of the property. Mr. Fry noted that the Planning Commission is recommending final approval. On a motion by Mr. Pugh

and a second by Ms. Hunsinger, which passed, Council granted final approval to the Life Span Land Development.

ROADS COMMITTEE:

Mr. Naylor reported that the road department erected 19 new No Parking signs that prohibit parking by certain vehicles. They repaired the sidewalk at the Borough Hall. They did the weed spraying throughout the Borough and other normal maintenance jobs. On a motion by Mr. Naylor and a second by Mr. Pierson, which passed, Council approved the bid specs for the Hill Alley Project.

PROPERTY COMMITTEE:

Mr. Pugh reported that the low quote for pest control at the Water Plant was from Ehrlich Pest Control at \$ 55.00. On a motion by Mr. Pugh and a second by Mr. Naylor, which passed, Council approved having Ehrlich Pest Control service the Water Plant.

WASTE MGMT COMMITTEE:

Mr. Naylor reported that the bag sales for May were \$ 4,845.00.

RECYCLING COMMITTEE:

Mr. Pierson reported that the Boy Scouts would like to change the newspaper – cardboard collection in August to the 2nd Saturday. On a motion by Mr. Pierson and a second by Mr. Pugh, which passed, Council approved the change.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE:

On a motion by Mr. Pierson and a second by Mr. Pugh, which passed, Council approved the following Job Descriptions: Secretary, Treasurer, Road Supervisor, Road Assistant, and Water Plant Supervisor.

Mr. Edward Bieler has agreed to serve as an alternate on the Zoning Hearing Board. On a motion by Mr. Pierson and a second by Mr. Naylor, which passed, Council appointed Mr. Edward Bieler to a 2 year term as an alternate to the Zoning Hearing Board. The term will expire December 31, 2011.

REVITALIZATION/REGIONAL PLANNING:

Pres. Boyer informed Council that Upper Perk Downtown is looking at providing services to residents. There will be 2 training sessions in the future and Pres. Boyer will email Council with the dates and times.

SEWER AUTHORITY;

Mr. Pugh had nothing to report

OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE:

Ms. Hunsinger had nothing to report.

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Pres. Boyer reported that all is in order. On a motion by Mr. Pugh and a second by Mr. Pierson, which passed, Council approved paying the bills for June and accepted the report of the Treasurer for May.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT:

Marlborough Township will be hosting NIMS seminars on June 30, 2010. The seminar will begin promptly at 6:30 p.m. Council members are encouraged to attend.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Sloyer reported that Community Day will be September 11, 2010 rain date September 12, 2010. The Mayor said he may be in need of some additional funding. Mayor Sloyer recognized an Upper Perkiomen senior for his community service to the Borough. He folded trash bags, weeded the flower beds at Borough Hall, and restrained the steps at 433 Main Street. He happens to be my son Justin Sloyer. Several East Greenville Scouts are looking for Eagle Scout projects. If anyone can think of anything let the Mayor know.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Fire Police Special Service – Request from Red Hill Fire Police for assistance at Fire Company Carnival. June 23, 24, 25, and 26, 2010. Time 4:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. On a motion by Mr. Pugh and a second by Mr. Pierson, which passed, Council approved the special service pending approval of the Fire Chief.

East Greenville Fire Co. request to close Washington Street between 4th & 5th Streets on July 7, 8, 9, & 10, 2010 for their annual carnival. The closing will be from 4:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m. on all dates. On a motion by Mr. Pierson and a second by Mr. Naylor, which passed, Council approved the closing.

East Greenville Fire Co. request to put up a banner for the annual carnival was received. The banner will be installed June 24, 2010 and removed July 15, 2010. On a motion by Mr. Pierson and a second by Mr. Pugh which passed, Council approved the banner request.

A request was received from Upper Perk Valley Association to close Main Street between 4th Street and the south Borough Line for the annual Halloween Parade. The date of the parade is October 24, 2010 (rain date October 26, 2010). The parade will leave Red Hill at 6:00 p.m. On a motion by Mr. Pierson and a second by Mr. Pugh, which passed, Council approved closing Main Street from 4th Street to the south Borough Line and 4th Street between Main Street and Washington Street. They are also asking for an overhead banner to advertise the parade. The banner will be put up on October 11, 2010 and removed October 27, 2010. On a motion by Mr. Pierson and a second by Ms. Hunsinger, which passed, Council approved the banner request.


A quote was received from ESRI for the update to our GIS system software. The cost is \$400.00 as in the past. On a motion by Mr. Pierson and a second by Mr. Naylor, which passed, Council approved the expenditure.

There being no further business, Pres. Boyer declare the meeting adjourned at 8:54 p.m.



Jennifer Boyer, Council President

ATTEST



Donald W. Huff
Secretary