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ELKLAND BOROUGH

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REGULAR MEETING

The regular meeting called order at 6:30 pm by Council President Rick Collins

MAYOR: BILL SHERMAN-ABSENT

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

PRESIDENT – RICK COLLINS	VICE PRESIDENT – MARK KOHUT
MIKE JONES	WENDY GRAHAM
KYLE ELDRIDGE	JOHN DORRANCE
PETE VAN GORDEN	

Secretary/Treasurer: Jill Hall-ABSENT

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS: No public presentations`

MINUTES:

- Councilwoman Graham motioned to accept June 9, 2022; minutes as presented. Councilman Kohut seconded the motion. All present were in favor.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS:

- Councilman Jones motioned, and Councilman Kohut seconded the motion, to approve the presented bills to be paid. All present were in favor.

MUNICIPAL REPORTS:

- DPW
 - A written report was reviewed.
- SEWER/WATER
 - No report was presented.
- POLICE
 - A written report was reviewed. Comments how much work the police department is doing were made. Sergeant Bump was commended for handing out ice cream gift cards.
- FIRE
 - No report was issued.
- ZONING
 - The new zoning officer was in attendance. Two permits have been issued and a report will be issued next month.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Outstanding Customer Balances were reviewed.

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- North Buffalo Erosion – Larson Design Group is searching for grants to help with the cost of the \$515,000 plus project.
- Tannery Hill Road erosion – PennDOT will be completing and financing all repairs.
- Cunningham Surveying reported that only the borough property owned in Nelson Township would need to be surveyed, due to encroachment by an abutting property owner. Survey has yet to be completed.
- River Street Rail bill is at the solicitor's office to be collected from Seth Baker.
- Workman's Compensation Resolution for firefighter support personnel was tabled.
- DEP is coming to the borough to discuss the violations occurring at the sewer plant and how to rectify the violations.
- Quotes for an infrared heater were not reviewed.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Act 13 monies have been received in the amount of \$64,375.34 bringing the current balance of Act 13 (Impact Fees) to \$111,423.41.
- American Rescue Plan Act monies will be received soon, and the monies are earmarked for slip-lining the sewer lines.
- Elkland Borough has unofficially been awarded the Green-Light-Go Grant in the amount of \$246,000 to be used to replace the Main Street lights.
- Councilman Jones motioned and Councilman Eldridge to add a personnel discussion to the agenda. All present were in favor. Motion carried.
- A motion by Councilman Jones to advertise job openings in the borough to the agenda was presented. Councilman Dorrance seconded the motion. All present were in favor.

AN EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR PERSONNEL REASONS WAS ENTERED AND EXITED.

- Councilman Jones motioned to advertise for a part time, weekend, and holiday employee to complete sample testing at the water and sewer plants. Councilman Eldridge seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken, with the following results: Councilman Kohut – Yes, Councilman Jones – Yes, Councilman Eldridge – Yes, Councilwoman Graham – Yes, Councilman Dorrance – Yes, Councilman VanGorden – Yes and Councilman Collins – Yes. Motion carried.
- Councilman Jones presented the motion to advertise for a part-time, temporary, secretary position for 10-20 hours a week to cover call ins and meetings when necessary. Councilwoman Graham seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken with the following results: Councilwoman Graham – Yes, Councilman Jones – Yes, Councilman – Yes, Councilman Kohut – Yes, Councilman VanGorden – Yes, Councilman Dorrance – Yes and Councilman Collins – Yes. Motion Carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

- Donna Blend was concerned regarding one of the trailer parks in Elkland Borough.
- Donna Blend shared concerns about an abandoned home on Coates.
- Concerns regarding the potholes in front of Stepping Stones were mentioned.

ADJOURNMENT – The meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jill Hall
Secretary