ELKLAND BOROUGH

SEPTEMBER 14, 2022

REGULAR MEETING

The regular meeting called order at 6:29 pm by Council President Rick Collins

MAYOR: BILL SHERMAN

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

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

Secretary/Treasurer: Jill Hall

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS:

- ➤ Robert Thompson, residence at 115 East Highland, spoke about the erosion issues being caused by Kizer Creek.
 - o UGI gas line crosses over Kizer Creek and on vertical support is sitting on the bottom of the creek. Mr. Thompson is concerned that a flood occurring will cause the pipe to open.
 - o North Buffalo Street is eroding causing the guardrails to fall into the creek.
 - o Mr. Thompson says his sewer pipe is broken causing his house to smell.
- ➤ Jessica Watters spoke about a free webinar for borough officials called Introduction to Active Transportation. A link will be sent to the borough secretary.

MINUTES:

➤ Councilman Dorrance motioned to accept the August 10, 2022, regular minutes, the August 19, 2022, Special minutes and the August 25, 2022, Special minutes as presented. Councilman Kohut seconded the motion. All present were in favor.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS:

➤ Councilman Eldridge motioned, and Councilman Dorrance seconded the motion, to approve the presented bills to be paid in the amount of \$50, 039.09. All present were in favor.

MUNICIPAL REPORTS:

- > DPW
 - o Report will be distributed next week.
- > SEWER/WATER
 - o A written report was reviewed.
- > POLICE

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- o Report will be distributed next week.
- > FIRE
 - No report was issued.
- > ZONING
 - o A written report was reviewed. No comments were made.

OLD BUSINESS:

- ➤ Outstanding Customer Balances Solicitor Chris Lantz to be contacted regarding a few growing outstanding balances.
- ➤ North Buffalo Erosion Larson Design Group is searching for grants to help with the cost of the \$515,000 plus project.
- ➤ River Street Rail bill with the solicitor to be move forward with legal means to recoup the costs of unplugging the laterals to the meat processing plant.
- > Survey of Borough property on BrownTown Road, Nelson due to encroachment issues. A letter was mailed signature required. This letter was returned as received to the office. Council President Collins will contact Cunningham Survey to have pins set on the borough boundary lines as soon as possible.
- ➤ DEP COA (Consent Order and Agreement)- Borough solicitor opinion and Borough engineer opinion received the afternoon of the meeting, not allowing the council time to properly review the opinions,
- ➤ No movement made on office security systems. The received quotes were too high. Other avenues will be researched.

NEW BUSINESS:

- ➤ Memorandum from RES regarding rehabilitation of Camp Brook was reviewed. A representative from RES will be invited to speak at the next meeting.
- A proposed Animal Ordinance was presented to the council for review. The proposed ordinance will be put onto the web page for public review and discussed at the next council meeting.
- ➤ Councilman Jones motioned to adopt the Tioga County Hazard Mitigation plan via Resolution 2202-01. Councilman Dorrance seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken with the following results: Councilman Dorrance Yes, Councilman Kohut- Yes, Councilman Eldridge Yes, Councilman VanGorden Yes, Councilman Jones Yes and Councilman Collins Yes. Motion carried.
- A motion to accept dike-leak detection quote from Fluid Conservation Technologies, Inc for \$2,090.00 was made by Councilman Jones and seconded by Councilman Eldridge. This is a DEP/Army Corps of Engineers mandated exercise. A roll call vote was taken with the following results: Councilman Dorrance Yes, Councilman Kohut- Yes, Councilman Eldridge Yes, Councilman VanGorden Yes, Councilman Jones Yes and Councilman Collins Yes. Motion carried.
- ➤ Councilman Jones motioned to add a discussion regarding a new police computer the agenda. Councilman Eldridge seconded the motion. The old police computer quit working. All present were in favor to add to the agenda.
- A motion was made by Councilman Jones to purchase a Dell Inspirion (specs: Dell Inspiron 3891 Business Desktop Computer, 10th Gen Intel Core i5-10400, Windows 10 Pro, 16GB RAM, 512GB SSD, Intel UHD Graphics 630, Wi-Fi 6, Bluetooth) for \$849.00. Councilman Dorrance seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken with the following results: Councilman Dorrance Yes, Councilman Kohut- Yes, Councilman Eldridge Yes, Councilman VanGorden Yes, Councilman Jones Yes and Councilman Collins Yes. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

- > Donna Blend questioned as to whether no parking signs would be purchased and erected withing to borough to help enforce the illegal parking in the borough.
- ➤ Lead and Copper testing occurred in the borough during the past week. DEP chooses the addresses, and the water plant operator collects samples from the appropriate addresses for testing.

ADJOURNMENT – The meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jill Hall Secretary