

ELKLAND BOROUGH

September 9, 2020

The meeting was called to order at 6:30pm by President Wendy Graham.

ROLL CALL:

Council Members:

Wendy Graham
Tim Whitney
Deanna Sherman
Pete VanGorden

Aaron Smith-Absent
Matt Sherman
Rick Collins-Absent

Mayor

Bill Sherman-Absent

Secretary: Jill Hall

Visitors:

Donna Blend	Holly Schoonover	Kyle Eldridge	Denny Smithers
Dan Clark-employee	Josh Symonds-employee	Bobby Gee-employee	Mark Goodrich
Mike Jones	Belinda Seeley		

Public Presentations, Requests, and Recommendations:

- Denny Smithers questioned about the removal of trees on Sheldonia Avenue as well as whether or not the trees on 2nd Street will also be removed.

Meeting Minutes:

- Councilwoman Sherman motioned to accept the August 2020 minutes as presented. Councilman Whitney seconded the motion. All present were in favor. Motion carried.

Financial Reports: There were no comments or questions on the financial statements.

Bills To Be Paid:

- Councilwoman Sherman motioned to pay the August 2020 bills in the amount of \$48,743.28. Councilman Whitney seconded the motion. All present were in favor. Motion carried.

Municipal Reports:

- Sewer/Water Report:
 - The sewer basin/lagoon liner repairs have been completed and the lagoon is now on-line. Mark Goodrich thanked Dan Clark, Josh Symonds, Brian Davenport and Jeff Chamberlain for completing this work.
 - Councilman Whitney motioned to accept the quote from Envirep in the amount of \$1,699.04 for part repair that was discovered during the lift station maintenance review. Councilman Sherman seconded the motion. All present were in favor. Motion carried.

- Pulleys on lagoon skimmers need to be ordered. Parkson is the only company that has the needed parts. The shipping costs dispute from the media delivery needs to be settled.
- Fifty Loads of sludge have been removed and the levels are still 1 foot over the allowance level. More sludge will need to be hauled.
- DEP is coming to the borough on September 10th to review the upkeep that has been completed.
- Nitrogen credits will need to be purchased prior to the end of the year. Jeff Chamberlain is diligently working to bring the nitrogen output down.
- Live-tap in the sewer line has been completed. This will allow safe employee entrance to the pull and repair pumps.
- **DPW Report: No questions.** DPW thanked for all their hard work.
- **Elkland Borough Authority:** See sewer report
- **Police Report:** No questions or comments.

Executive session was entered at 6:42 pm for legal reasons. The executive session ended at 6:57 pm.

- It was announced that the solicitor will be contacted regarding the legal discussion.
- Councilwoman Sherman motioned to amend the August saying Due to the pandemic restrictions and employee safety the office will be open by appointment only. Customers can contact the office to schedule. Councilman Whitney seconded the motion. Motion carried with Councilman VanGorden opposing.

Old Business:

- Kizer Creek update-none
- The Comprehensive Water Sampling plan is completed
- The USSP is completed
- The maintenance employees and Authority President, Mark Goodrich, requested that the borough try to negotiate with Parkson on payment of the freight charge from November 2018. More parts need to be ordered from Parkson and payment needs to be made prior to shipment of new parts.
- The recreation committee did not meet so there was no update on pool repairs.

New Business:

- Budget meetings begin next week.
- Councilman Sherman motioned to conduct Trick-or-Treating in the borough on Saturday, October 31, 2020 from 6:00pm - 7:30pm. Councilwoman Sherman seconded the motion. All present were in favor. Motion Carried. Please turn on outside lights if you wish to be visited by trick-or-treaters.

Meeting adjourned at 7:21 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jill Hall

Borough Secretary