
July 12, 2007 Council Meeting Minutes

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Edwardsville Borough Council held on Thursday, July 12, 2007. President Zaneski called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Mr. Baranski
Mr. Sedeski
Mr. Nareski
Mr. Sowick
Mr. Drust
Mrs. Zaneski

ABSENT

Mr. Hankey
Miss Healey

OFFICIALS PRESENT

Mayor Bernard Dubaskas
Solicitor William Finnegan, Jr.
Manager Charles Szalkowski

Motion by Mr. Sedeski sec Mr. Baranski to dispense reading minutes of June 14, 2007. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

Civil Service Commission - Their recommendation that David Souchick assume the position of Chief of Police for Edwardsville Borough.

Motion by Mr. Sowick sec Mr. Drust appointing David Souchick to the position of the Chief of Police. Motion carried.

Mayor Dubaskas administered the oath to David Souchick.

REPORTS

Don Wilkinson for June - Motion by Baranski sec Mr. Sedeski to accept. Motion carried.
Police Report for June - Motion by Mr. Sowcik sec Mr. Drust to accept. Motion carried.
Fire Report for June - Motion by Mr. Nareski sec Mr. Baranski to accept. Motion carried.
Street Dept. for June - Motion by Mr. Sedeski sec Mr. Baranski to accept. Motion carried.
Bldg. Insp. for June - Motion by Mr. Drust sec Mr. Sowcik to accept. Motion carried.
Code/Zoning for June - Motion by Mr. Drust sec Mr. Sowcik to accept. Motion carried.

Tax Collector for June - Motion by Mr. Baranski sec Mr. Sedeski to accept. Motion carried.
Treasurer for June - Motion by Mr. Baranski sec Mr. Sedeski to accept. Motion carried.

ADMINISTRATION-FINANCE

Ordinance: “Admending Section 24-304 of the Edwardsville Borough codified code of ordinances.”

Motion by Mr. Baranski sec Mr. Sedeski to adopt as read. Motion carried.

Mr. Baranski reported that half way into the year receipts are at 64% and expenditures are at 46%.

Manager Szalkowski reported the \$107,000 received from Wilkinson is not reflected in the Treasurers Report. We received the report earlier and we are now better off financially. Today we had a demo. meeting concerning 174-176 Hillside Ave., and demolition is scheduled to start July 23rd. Also, there is sufficient funds in the Liquid Fuels to cover the cost of the loader/back hoe and the dump truck.

POLICE

Mr. Sowcik thanked the sheriffs department for their help in the recent drug sweep. Also, thanked Price Chopper for putting in locks on their carts. A laser locks the wheels on the cart and prevents the cart from being taken off the lot.

Mayor Dubaskas said we now have a new chief and I’m very confident that he will do a good job.

FIRE

Mr. Nareski read aloud a detailed report from Fire Chief King.

STREET-PUBLIC ROADWAYS-SEWERS

Mr. Sedeski said we are waiting for the new loader/back hoe to come in. Also working on proposal to replace the old truck. There is an issue with last years paving contractor. Some of the work was not done properly.

PARKS-RECREATION

Mr. Nareski reported receiving a donation of \$1,200 from Lowe’s. Rubber mulch will be purchased and used at Hopkin’s Park. When put in place, we will then install a new swing set.

BUILDING-PLANNING-ZONING

Ordinance: “Authorizing Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement with the Borough of Forty

Fort relating to code enforcement.”

Motion by Mr. Drust sec Mr. Sowcik to adopt as read. Motion carried.

Resolution: “Amending Fee Schedule.”

Motion by Mr. Drust sec Mr. Sowcik to adopt as read. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Drust sec Mr. Sowcik on the recommendation of the Planning Commission that council give conditional approval for Minor Land Development for Youth Services.

Mr. Drust said we are proceeding on the demolition of 174-176 Hillside Ave. The Grove street property at 183-185 will be advertised to receive bids for the August meeting.

Atty. Finnegan suggested council send a representative to the next Luzerne County Commissioners meeting and to the Wyoming Valley West Board meeting asking for a resolution giving the borough first crack at the proceeds. When these properties are sold at free and clear sales, the buyers aren’t paying enough to cover municipal liens on the properties.

JUNIOR COUNCIL PERSON

President Zaneski said that Miss Healey is representing Edwardsville at the Governors School for a six-week period.

BILLS

Motion by Mr. Baranski sec Mr. Sedeski to pay bills. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Nareski sec Mr. Baranski to adjourn. Motion carried.