## EAST BERLIN BOROUGH COUNCIL 128 Water Street East Berlin, PA 17316

May 18, 2016

<u>Members Present</u>: President Roberta Teal; James LeVan; Charles Krall; and Andrew Raymond <u>Members Absent</u>: Catherine Lockey; Donald Dixon; and Jason Wood <u>Also Present</u>: Secretary/Treasurer Darlene McArthur; and David Richards

The second monthly meeting of the East Berlin Borough Council was held May 18, 2016, at the East Berlin Borough Hall. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:00 PM.

<u>Adoption of the Minutes</u>: The meeting minutes of Council's Session on May 4, 2016, were reviewed. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Charles Krall; seconded by James LeVan. Motion approved with all in favor.

<u>Payment of Bills</u>: A summary of bills for the end of May totaling \$22,620.35 was reviewed. James LeVan mentioned the charge of \$749.78 to replace the fuel pump in the Dodge Police Cruiser. *James LeVan motioned to pay the bills for the end of May; seconded by Charles Krall. Motion approved with no dissenting votes.* 

<u>Constituents Addressing Borough Council:</u> David Richards inquired about the street project at Third Street and North Avenue. President Teal explained that repairs are being made to the storm water system.

## **Committee Reports**:

<u>Finance</u>: Charles Krall requested that the Finance Committee begin an early review of next year's budget and projected expenses in coming years to determine the Borough's solvency to contend with these costs at the current rate of revenue. President Teal proposed that the Committee meet sometime after July 4th.

Maintenance: Andrew Raymond reported that the emergency sinkhole repair on Branch Circle began on May 11th. Rusted storm water pipes under and along the road have been replaced. Curbing has been installed and no additional underground cavities were discovered. A change order will be requested to replace a deteriorated inlet top with base repair to be performed along with the project pavement restoration which is scheduled at the conclusion of all current street projects. Further research is needed to determine the source of water issues associated with a section of pipe from Beaver Colony to Beaver Creek with remedial expenses to be determined.

The North Avenue and Third Street project began on May 16th. Three (3) drainage inlets have been excavated and existing storm water pipes in that area have been identified and replaced. Construction on the three (3) new drainage basins was delayed by inclement weather. An existing waterline leak was discovered yesterday flowing into the construction area and was resolved with the Joint Authority. The North Avenue and Sixth Avenue project will begin when weather permits.

**Planning/Zoning**: Nothing to report.

**Personnel**: James LeVan discussed a proposed revision to the personnel overtime policy and suggested that this be addressed at the next meeting of Council.

<u>Park/Recreation</u>: Charles Krall noted that electricity has been installed and is now available at the Park pavilion.

<u>Unfinished Business</u>: President Teal requested input from Council regarding the questionnaire from EBACC to the participating municipalities to be discussed at the meeting on May 26th. On the issue of monetary donation, President Teal noted that the Borough's current provision of insurance coverage and grass mowing should be considered.

New Business: None.

## **Correspondence:**

Adams County Boroughs Association May Newsletter Training and Webinars Available

President Teal noted that the Boroughs Association May Newsletter reported that PSAB is supporting Senate Bill 411 which updates the Right to Know Law and would allow agencies to charge reasonable fees for processing "commercial requests." The Borough has processed a considerable number of commercial requests which are quite time consuming.

Charles Krall motioned to adjourn the meeting of the East Berlin Borough Council at 7:29 PM; seconded by Andrew Raymond. Motion approved with all voting in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Darlene McArthur Secretary/Treasurer of Borough Council