

MINUTES FOR MONTHLY WORK SESSION
EAST STROUDSBURG BOROUGH COUNCIL
MONDAY OCTOBER 24, 2022 – 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT IN PERSON: Sonia Wolbert; Erika Huber; Edmund Freeborn; Carrie Panepinto; Maury Molin; Mayor Victor Brozusky; and Borough Manager Brian Bond.

JOINED VIRTUALLY: William Reese.

The Pledge of Alliance was recited.

Reports:

Operations Committee:

A Special Council Meeting/Budget Work Session is scheduled for Wednesday, October 26, 2022, at 6:00 p.m.

A policy decision with regards to free parking requests should be set by Council. After discussion, Council directed Mr. Bond to review previous requests for free parking to determine how many spaces are typically requested. Mr. Bond will report back to Council with additional information.

Utility and Capital Improvements Committee:

After discussion, Council is in favor of keeping two clean-up days per year as a service provided to Borough residents. The suggested dates for 2023 clean-up days are April 22 and September 16, 2023.

Community Relations Committee:

After discussion, it was determined that the Naming Committee program will be put on hold until there is more committee availability.

Planning and Zoning Committee:

A draft parking study was provided to Council. Any questions should be given to Mr. Bond. Mr. Bond will invite Ben Guthrie, of Traffic Planning and Design, Inc., to attend the November 15, 2022 Council Meeting, or the November 28, 2022 Council Work Session.

The Zoning Ordinance Review Professionals Committee has continued working on ordinance updates, the Industrial Pretreatment Program, and the Ridgeway/Prospect overlay.

Public Comment:

Laura Kessler, of 124 Analomink Street, and Gary Walck, of 33 Borough Street, both expressed their concerns with the future of Terra Greens Municipal Golf Course and its budget. Budget information will be discussed further at the October 26, 2022 Budget Meeting. Mr. Walck also discussed the application of pesticides and Borough record keeping.

Executive Session:

A motion was made by Mr. Freeborn and seconded by Mr. Molin to go into Executive Session at 8:05 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Molin and seconded by Mr. Freeborn to reconvene the regular meeting at 8:18 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

Report on Executive Session:

Contract negotiations were discussed. No decisions were made.

Adjournment:

A motion was made by Mr. Freeborn and seconded by Ms. Panepinto to adjourn the Work Session at 8:18 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

NEXT SPECIAL MEETING/BUDGET WORK SESSION:

Wednesday, October 26, 2022

NEXT REGULAR MEETINGS:

Tuesday, November 1, 2022, at 7:15 p.m.

Tuesday, November 15, 2022, at 7:15 p.m.

NEXT COUNCIL WORK SESSION:

Monday, November 28, 2022, at 7:00 p.m.