## **BOROUGH OF EDDYSTONE**

## **BOROUGH COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**

April 20, 2020

6:00 P.M.

The Borough of Eddystone Borough Council met on the above date and time in Borough Hall with the following members present: Council President William Stewart, Vice President Robert Yannuzzi, Councilmembers Chris Sprague, Karen Reeves, Beth Gross & Justin Hartline. Also present were Mayor Allen Reeves and Councilman Stan Sigda by phone.

President Stewart called the meeting to order.

Roll Call

## **UPCOMING PUBLIC MEETINGS/EVENT**

05/03/2021 @ 7:00 P.M. –Council Workshop (BH) 05/10/2021 @ 6:00 P.M. –Council Executive Session (BH) 05/10/2021 @ 7:00 P.M. –Council Regular Meeting (BH)

President Stewart announced that the Borough Hall had been cleaned and sanitized especially well for this special in person meeting along with windows open, fans on to help circulate the nice breeze flowing in to help keep all air moving.

President Stewart announced tonight's special meeting was called so all could be informed of Eddystone Recreation Boards Memorial Day decision for the upcoming Memorial Day. Introduced Eddystone Recreation Board President Kaci Smith & VP Amy Naill and gave them the floor.

Rec Board President Kaci Smith and VP Amy Naill updated all that Rec Board would like to go thru with the annual Memorial Day parade and festivities. Would like the normal parade in groups, offering sports groups to take part and have the Memorial service with all masked. Also would like to have open aired slides and Rec Board Randy Perry would wipe down in between use, possibly have pop up band playing, snack bar would be open with all wearing gloves, followed by fireworks. Keeping all at 6ft distance as best as possible, would like pony rides , no face paint, suggested possibly marking off field someway to help prevent crowds.

Councilwoman Reeves asked to possibly push off til Labor Day due to ongoing Covid.

Councilwoman Gross reminded all about school classes still being quarantined and concerns about the kids.

Amy Naill would like to put protocols in place and possibly ask police for help ensuring all enter with masks, she also reminded all that things are opening up all over the country.

Chief Mokshefsky reminded all we are only at 50% capacity outdoors, other municipalities may not be hosting so that may also increase people wanting to come to Eddystones event. Chief asked fireworks as they need to be scheduled a year in advance and notifications need to go out in advance. Also, reminded all that if a case breaks out Eddystone would need to report to the CDC. Chief reminded all that a letter needs to be out at least 10-14 days prior to ensure Septa is aware and Fire Police would also be needed for the events, strongly suggests pushing off until Labor Day.

Fire Chief Terry Burke stated this is a short notice for a fire plan with fireworks and suggests tabling fireworks due to our EFD numbers are not where we would like them to be at the current time to staff enough.

President Stewart reminded all that we need to include our Fire Marshal, Amtrak and Septa ahead of time due to the plans and it will effect several groups routes and procedures.

Councilwoman Reeves updated all that PECO usually donates to help offset Memorial Day festivities.

Amy Naill says this is a huge disappointment as she states Eddystone needs this.

Councilman Sprague suggested still doing the parade for this Memorial Day.

Chief Mokshefsky relayed we could make it work for our Veterans and limit the people at the Memorial area.

Eddystone Council along with Eddystone Recreation Board agreed to host Memorial Day parade for May 30, 2021 to provide a "condensed" version for our community and agreed to push normal big events to a special Labor Day celebration to be held on Sunday September 5, 2021.

Council President asked Kaci & Amy to join us at the next Council meetings to announce the plans.

Councilwoman Reeves requested a public meeting for the residents to be aware of the RCAP.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Resident Mariann Slosh suggested having the Eddystone school student walk with little flags in the parade and then plant them at the Memorial.

Rec Board to provide children from the parade with drink & treat at end of parade.

Amy Naill to ask VFW Bill Daws for flags for the children.

EFD to take part in the parade and possibly seek other fire departments to also add to our parade.

Resident Mandy Hall reminded all that pushing the festivities off until Labor Day may not work as then the sick/flu season starts back up.

Vice President Yannuzzi announced Eddystone will hold a Covid Vaccine Day on Wednesday April 28, requests resident to sign up as soon as possible thru the Borough Office.
ACTION ITEMS: None
ADJOURNMENT:
Motion made by Chris Sprague; 2 <sup>nd</sup> by Rob Yannuzzi. Motion carries 7-0.
Submitted by,
Secretary Borough of Eddystone