

5:45pm – Executive Session (Personnel)

**ELLWOOD CITY BOROUGH COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING – 6:00 P.M. – COUNCIL CHAMBERS
March 18, 2019**

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

President Judith Dici called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mr. Barry, Mr. Brough, Mr. Celli, Ms. Guerrero, Ms. Lamenza, Ms. Mancini, and Ms. Dici

Also Present: Manager David Allen, Solicitor Ed Leymarie, and Jr. Councilperson Colin Smith

Absent: Mayor Anthony Court

INVOCATION – Phil Conklin – First Church of God

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PROCLAMATION

April – “PA 811 Safe Digging Month”

VISITORS

1. Jeff Magnifico – EC VFD – RE: Thank you to those who took the NIMS training

COMMUNICATIONS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Regular Meeting 2/18/19

A motion was made by Ms. Mancini, seconded by Ms. Lamenza, to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held 2/18/19, as submitted. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS:

Pre-Paid Voucher List dated 3/11/19 and List of Vouchers to be Paid dated 3/14/19

A motion was made by Mr. Celli, seconded by Mr. Barry, to approve the Pre-Paid Voucher List dated 3/11/19, in the amount of \$1,018,542.63, and the List of Vouchers to be Paid dated 3/14/19, in the amount of \$491,471.46. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

A motion was made by Mr. Brough, seconded by Ms. Mancini, to approve the Departmental Reports, as submitted. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

BID OPENINGS

ORDINANCES

1. Handicap Parking - Park Avenue

A motion was made by Mr. Brough, seconded by Ms. Guerrero, to adopt an ordinance, as submitted, amending the traffic ordinance establishing handicap parking on Park Avenue (south side) beginning 15’ west from the prolonged curbed line of Cherry Way and Park Avenue to a point 81 feet west. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

2. No Parking – Twelfth Street

A motion was made by Mr. Brough, seconded by Mr. Barry, to adopt an ordinance, as submitted, amending the traffic ordinance establishing no parking on Twelfth Street (west side) between Lawrence Avenue and Center Avenue. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS

1. Resolution - Grant Submission (Improvements to Stiefel Park) (DCNR)
A motion was made by Mr. Barry, seconded by Mr. Celli, to adopt a Resolution, as submitted, authorizing the submission of a grant application to DCNR in an amount of \$250,000 (Borough share) for improvements to Stiefel Park, consistent with the Master Park Plan. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

APPOINTMENTS/RESIGNATIONS

COMMITTEES OF COUNCIL

Finance: (Celli, Guerrero, Lamenza)

1. Transfer - \$45,000
A motion was made by Ms. Mancini, seconded by Ms. Lamenza, to approve the inter-fund transfer in the amount of \$45,000 from the Sewage Fund (Plant Operations) to the Sewage Fund (Sewer Maintenance). Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
2. Charge Tax Collector for 2019 Tax Duplicate
A motion was made by Ms. Guerrero, seconded by Mr. Barry, to charge Mary Ann Portugallo, Tax Collector for the 2019 Tax Duplicate of \$2,235,552 at Face. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
3. Re-appropriate \$117,243.72
A motion was made by Mr. Celli, seconded by Ms. Lamenza, to re-appropriate \$117,243.72 from the General Fund (Contingency) to the General Fund (Police Leave Wages). This shall be reflected on the books for 2018. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

Health/Public Safety: (Brough, Barry, Mancini)

1. Advertise Ordinance – No Parking (Wayne Avenue)
A motion was made by Mr. Barry, seconded by Mr. Brough, to advertise an amendment to the traffic ordinance establishing No Parking on Wayne Avenue (north side) beginning 350' east from 11th Street to a point 170' east. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
2. Advertise Ordinance – No Parking (Wayne Avenue)
A motion was made by Ms. Mancini, seconded by Mr. Barry, to advertise an amendment to the traffic ordinance establishing no parking on Wayne Avenue (south side) from Beechwood Blvd. to Fairview Avenue/Wayne Avenue. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
3. Memorial Day Parade
A motion was made by Ms. Lamenza, seconded by Mr. Celli, to approve the request by the Memorial Day Parade Committee to hold the Memorial Day Parade on Monday, May 27 beginning at 10:00 a.m. and to use the parking area near Todd Avenue as a staging area. It is also requested to use Pittsburgh Circle Heritage Park for a community cookout. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
4. Halloween Parade; Christmas Parade
A motion was made by Ms. Mancini, seconded by Ms. Guerrero, to approve the following:
 - the request by the EC Parade Committee to hold the Halloween Parade October 26 beginning at 3:30pm
 - the request by the EC Parade Committee to hold the Christmas Parade December 7 at 3:30pm

Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

5. Advertise Ordinance - Handicap Parking (Fountain Avenue)
A motion was made by Mr. Brough, seconded by Mr. Barry, to advertise an amendment to the traffic ordinance establishing handicap parking on Fountain Avenue (north side) from Third Street to a point 125' east. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

6. Advertise Ordinance – No Truck Traffic (Franklin Avenue & Early Street)
A motion was made by Ms. Mancini, seconded by Ms. Lamenza, to advertise an amendment to the traffic ordinance establishing No Truck Traffic on Franklin Avenue from 2nd St to Millview Street and Early Street from Birch Way to Franklin Avenue. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

Public Works/Utilities: (Barry, Lamenza, Mancini)

1. Electric Contract
A motion was made by Ms. Mancini, seconded by Ms. Lamenza, to accept the NextEra energy contract. Roll call vote. All in favor, motion carried.

Parks/Recreation: (Mancini, Guerrera, Celli)

1. LHS Boys/Girls Soccer (Conditioning), LHS Boys/Girls Soccer, EC Fastpitch, EC Chamber “Thank You” Picnic, EC Cheerleaders.
A motion was made by Mr. Barry, seconded by Ms. Lamenza, to approve the following:
 - * the request by the Lincoln High School Boys/Girls soccer team to use the Stiefel Park soccer field for summer conditioning July 1 – August 9
 - * the request by Lincoln High School Boys/Girls soccer team to use the Stiefel Park soccer field for practices/games August 12 – October 12 from 3-6pm
 - * the request by the EC Fastpitch to use Merit Book Park and the Women’s Softball field at Stiefel Park Monday through Friday from June 1 to September 30
 - * the request by the EC Area Chamber of Commerce to use shelter #4 on May 8 from 5-7pm for their “thank you” picnic
 - * the request by the EC Revitalization (ECR) Farmers Market Committee to use the Beaver Avenue parking lot and the stage in the Community Plaza from June 1 – October 12 from 8am – 12pm for the 2019 market season.
 - * the request by the EC Cheerleaders to hold a Color Run in Ewing Park May 11 from 9:30am – 12pm

Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

Administration/Personnel: (Guerrera, Brough, Barry)

1. **Employment – Summer Employment (Park, Playground Instructors, Concession Stand)**

A motion was made by Mr. Barry, seconded by Mr. Brough, to approve employment of the following individuals for summer work, contingent upon satisfactory background checks/clearances:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Area</u>	<u>Hourly Rate</u>	<u>Required Clearances</u>
Grace Coonfare	Playground	\$8.00	Child Abuse, Criminal History, Fingerprint Criminal History
Ashleigh Ionta	Playground	\$8.50	Child Abuse, Criminal History, Fingerprint Criminal History
Alexandra Byers	Playground	\$8.50	Child Abuse, Criminal History, Fingerprint Criminal History
Joseph Cioffi	Concession Stand	\$8.00	Child Abuse, Criminal History, Fingerprint Criminal History
Avery Dudek	Concession Stand	\$8.00	Child Abuse, Criminal History, Fingerprint Criminal History
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Jarrett Lubich	Parks	\$9.00	Criminal History, Driver’s History
Blaze Chambers	Parks	\$9.00	Criminal History, Driver’s History
Storm Chambers	Parks	\$8.50	Criminal History, Driver’s History
Nicholas Garuccio	Parks	\$9.00	Criminal History, Driver’s History
Noah Magill	Parks	\$8.00	Criminal History, Driver’s History
Devin Hernandez	Parks	\$8.00	Criminal History, Driver’s History
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Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

2. **Travel Request – Dici & Court**

A motion was made by Mr. Barry, seconded by Ms. Mancini, to approve the travel request by Jude Dici & Anthony Court to attend the PSAB Conference June 9-12 in Hershey PA. The cost is \$1,600.34 plus meals, and mileage. Roll call vote. All in favor, except Mr. Brough and Ms. Guerrera. Motion carried, 5-2.

Community Development/Buildings: (Lamenza, Celli, Brough)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

1. **Grant Application – Ewing Park Community Garden Project**

A motion was made by Ms. Mancini, seconded by Ms. Guerrera, to authorize the submission of a grant application to the PA American Water Company for the Ewing Park Community Garden Project (location: 5 Points). Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

2. **Office of Open Records – Supply Information**

A motion was made by Mr. Celli, seconded by Mr. Barry, that Council respectfully request Councilpersons Rob Brough and Lisa Guerrera to voluntarily supply the information from their Facebook page to Borough Administrators that the Office of Open Records ordered the Borough to turn over pursuant to a citizen’s Right to Know request. Roll call vote. All in favor, except Mr. Brough, Ms. Guerrera and Ms. Dici. Motion carried, 4-3.

3. **Office of Open Records – Right to Appeal**

A motion was made by Mr. Celli, seconded by Mr. Barry, for Ellwood City Borough Council not appeal the decision of the Office of Open Records. Roll call vote. All in favor, except Mr. Brough, Ms. Guerrera and Ms. Dici. Motion carried, 4-3.

MAYOR’S REPORT

MANAGER’S REPORT

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Picnic shelter reservations will begin on the fourth Monday in **March** (Mar. 25) for non-Borough residents

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned on a motion by Mr. Brough, seconded by Ms. Mancini. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

Linda M. List
Borough Secretary