

5:45pm – 2017 Audit Presentation by Mark Turnley, CPA

**ELLWOOD CITY BOROUGH COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING – 6:00 P.M. – COUNCIL CHAMBERS
September 17, 2018**

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Vice-President Jim Barry called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL

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

Also Present: Manager Joe Cioffi, Solicitor Ed Leymarie, Mayor Anthony Court and Jr. Councilperson Colin Smith

Absent: Ms. Mancini and Ms. Dici

INVOCATION – Rev. Dennis Arndt – Lillyville Church of God

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

COMMENDATION

Allegheny Aquatic Alliance

VISITORS

1. Paul Dici, 925 Skyline Drive – RE: Nepotism
2. Don Caplinger, 413 8th Street, Apt 4 – Condition of 8th Street from Crescent to Park; cats

COMMUNICATIONS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Regular Meeting 8/20/18 & Special Meeting 8/30/18

A motion was made by Mr. Brough, seconded by Mr. Celli, to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held 8/20/18 and the Special Meeting held 8/30/18, as submitted. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS:

Pre-Paid Voucher List dated 9/7/18 and List of Vouchers to be Paid dated 9/11/18

A motion was made by Ms. Guerrero, seconded by Ms. Lamenza, to approve the Pre-Paid Voucher List dated 9/7/18, in the amount of \$487,877.48, and the List of Vouchers to be Paid dated 9/11/18, in the amount of \$298,002.79. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

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

BID OPENINGS

ORDINANCES

1. Electric Ordinance – Guarantee of Payment

A motion was made by Mr. Brough, seconded by Mr. Celli, to adopt an ordinance, as submitted, amending the Electric Ordinance, specifically “Guarantee of Payment” (due dates, etc.). Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS

1. 2018 CDBG Application

A motion was made by Ms. Lamenza, seconded by Mr. Celli, to adopt a Resolution, as submitted, authorizing the submission of the CDBG 2018 grant application in the amount of \$120,114 for street improvements and program administration and further to authorize the Council President to sign any and all documents relative to the same. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

2. Appointment – Amy McKinney as Fair Housing Officer
A motion was made by Mr. Brough, seconded by Mr. Celli, to adopt a Resolution, as submitted, appointing Amy McKinney as the Fair Housing Officer. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
3. Appointment – Rebecca Shaffer as Section 504 Housing Officer
A motion was made by Mr. Brough, seconded by Mr. Celli, to adopt a Resolution, as submitted, appointing Rebecca Shaffer as the Section 504 Housing Officer. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
4. Confirming Receipt of 2019 Minimum Municipal Obligation (MMO)
A motion was made by Mr. Celli, seconded by Mr. Brough, to adopt a Resolution, as submitted, confirming receipt of the 2019 Minimum Municipal Obligation (MMO) by September 30, 2018. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
5. Keystone Communities Enterprise Zone Designation
A motion was made by Ms. Lamenza, seconded by Ms. Guerrero, to adopt a Resolution, as submitted, authorizing the filing of an application to include the Borough of Ellwood City in a proposed Lawrence County Keystone Communities Enterprise Zone designation with the Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED). Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

APPOINTMENTS/RESIGNATIONS

COMMITTEES OF COUNCIL

Finance: (Celli, Guerrero, Lamenza)

1. Accept the 2017 Audit (Mark Turnley, CPA)
A motion was made by Mr. Celli, seconded by Mr. Brough, to accept the 2017 audit performed by Mark Turnley, CPA. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

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

1. Risen Savior Christian Church
A motion was made by Ms. Guerrero, seconded by Mr. Brough, to approve the request by the Risen Savior Christian Church to close 8th Street from Crescent Avenue to 306 8th Street for a rummage and bake sale on October 6 from 9am – 2pm. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
2. Advertise Ordinance – Stop Signs (Perry Street)
A motion was made by Mr. Celli, seconded by Mr. Brough, to advertise an amendment to the traffic ordinance designating a stop intersection on Perry Street at Summit Avenue, Northbound and Southbound. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

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

Parks/Recreation: (Mancini, Guerrero, Celli)

1. Holy Redeemer Youth Ministry
A motion was made by Ms. Guerrero, seconded by Ms. Lamenza, to approve the request by the Holy Redeemer Youth Ministry to use the bocce courts in Ewing Park on September 30 from 4-6pm. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

Administration/Personnel: (Guerrera, Brough, Barry)

1. Clerical Position – Bid Award

A motion would be in order to ratify the appointment of Jody Mancini as a full-time Clerk I under the Clerical Contract at the hourly rate of \$14.32 (80% of full rate, first year), effective 9/10/18.

A motion to table this item was made by Ms. Guerrera. Roll call vote. Voting against were Mr. Barry, Mr. Celli, and Ms. Lamenza. Voting in favor were Mr. Brough and Ms. Guerrera. Motion failed, 3-2.

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

1. Kids' Created Kingdom – 20th Anniversary

A motion was made by Ms. Lamenza, seconded by Mr. Celli, to approve the request to hold a 20th anniversary event for the construction of the Kids' Created Kingdom on September 30 from 2-4pm. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

2. RAYSL Youth Soccer

A motion was made by Mr. Brough, seconded by Mr. Celli, to approve the request from RAYSL (BC United) to use the men's softball field Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays from 5:30 – 8:30pm and Saturdays from 9am – 1pm from September 15 – November 9. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

3. Nepotism Policy Information

A motion was made by Mr. Brough, seconded by Ms. Guerrera, to authorize the Solicitor and Manager to gather information for the future implementation of a Nepotism policy. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT

MANAGER'S REPORT

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Committee of the Whole Meeting for October rescheduled for October 9 at 6pm due to the Columbus Day Holiday

ADJOURNMENT

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

Linda M. List
Borough Secretary