

ELLWOOD CITY BOROUGH COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING – 6:00 P.M. – COUNCIL CHAMBERS
October 16, 2017

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

President Connie R. MacDonald called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mr. Celli, Mr. DeCaria, Ms. Dici, Ms. Lamenza, Ms. Mancini, Mr. Ovia, and Mr. MacDonald. Also present: Manager Bob Villella, and Solicitor Ed Leymarie.

Absent: Mayor Anthony Court

INVOCATION – Rev. Angelique Bradford, First United Methodist Church

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

COMMENDATION

Ptl. Matthew Kennedy

Ptl. Robert Magnifico

Ellwood City Volunteer Fire Department

For their participation in a life-saving event at Blank Concrete & Supply Co.

VISITORS

None

COMMUNICATIONS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Regular Meeting 9/18/17

A motion was made by Ms. Mancini, seconded by Mr. Ovia, to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held 9/18/17, as submitted. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS:

Pre-Paid Voucher List dated 10/10/17 and Open Invoices (List of Vouchers to be Paid) dated 10/12/17

A motion was made by Mr. Celli, seconded by Mr. Ovia, to approve the Pre-Paid Voucher List dated 10/10/17, in the amount of \$115,604.37, and the Open Invoices (List of Vouchers to be Paid) dated 10/12/17, in the amount of \$462,321.73. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

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

BID OPENINGS

ORDINANCES

RESOLUTIONS

1. Distribution of Pension State Aid - 2017

A motion was made by Mr. Celli, seconded by Mr. Ovia, to adopt a Resolution, as submitted, authorizing the distribution of \$229,412.67 received in Pension State Aid for 2017 as follows: Firemen's Pension Plan \$9,176.51; Municipal Pension Plan \$128,471.09; and Police Pension Plan \$91,765.07. Therefore, \$26,213.49 is owed to the Firemen's Plan, \$39,206.91 is owed to the Municipal Employees Plan and a balance of \$396,298.93 is owed to the Police Plan. Further it is moved that these balance be paid by the General Fund by December 31, 2017. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

2. 2017 CDBG Application

A motion was made by M. Mancini, seconded by Ms. Dici, to adopt a Resolution, as submitted, authorizing the submission of the CDBG 2017 grant application in the amount of \$108,509 for street improvements and historic preservation and further to authorize the Council President to sign any and all documents relative to the same. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

APPOINTMENTS/RESIGNATIONS

1. Junior Councilperson

Appointment – Colin Smith – Oath of Office

COMMITTEES OF COUNCIL

Finance: (Mancini, DeCaria, Ovia)

1. Donation – Holy Redeemer/Ministerium Social Services Energy Fund (\$3000)

A motion was made by Ms. Dici, seconded by Ms. Mancini, to approve the donation in the amount of \$3,000 to the Holy Redeemer/Ministerium Social Services Energy Fund. This amount will be paid from the General Fund. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

Health/Public Safety: (Dici, Celli, Lamenza)

1. EC Children's Center – Halloween Parade

A motion was made by Ms. Mancini, seconded by Ms. Lamenza, to approve the request by the EC Children's Center to close First Street from Spring Avenue to Pittsburgh Circle on October 31 from 9:45-10:45am for a Halloween Parade. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

Public Works/Utilities: (Celli, Dici, Lamenza)

1. Award Bid – Woodside Avenue Pump Station

A motion was made by Mr. Celli, seconded by Mr. Ovia, to award the bid for the Woodside Avenue Pump Station to Utility Contracting, Inc. (Youngstown, OH) (General Construction) in the amount of \$226,140 (\$190,140 base bid & \$36,000 alternate) and to McCurley Houston Electric (New Castle, PA) (Electrical) in the amount of \$134,750. These amounts will be paid from the Sewage Collection Fund. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

2. Frank B. Taylor Engineering – Handicap Ramp Project

A motion was made by Ms. Mancini, seconded by Mr. Ovia, to authorize Frank B. Taylor Engineering to prepare/advertise bids for a handicap ramp project on Cedar Street from Todd Avenue to Line Avenue and Crescent Avenue from 12th Street to 13th Street. This will be a CDBG 2014 and 2015 project. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

3. Approve Quote – Chalmers & Kubeck

A motion was made by Mr. Celli, seconded by Mr. Ovia, to approve the quote from Chalmers & Kubeck to make the necessary repairs to pump #3 and to purchase a spare pump impeller. The total cost is \$29,197.82. This amount will be paid from the Sewage Fund. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

4. Payment – CRT Concrete

A motion was made by Ms. Lamenza, seconded by Mr. Celli, to approve the payment in the amount of \$19,500 to CRT Concrete to replace the concrete section of roadway at 6th Street and Glen Avenue. This amount will be paid from the General Fund (\$10,000) and the Liquid Fuel Fund (\$9500). Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

5. Purchase - Leaf Blower
A motion was made by Ms. Dici, seconded by Ms. Lamenza, to approve the purchase of a Buffalo Turbine Leaf Blower from Krigger & Co. (Gibsonia) in the amount of \$6,831 (State Contract Price). This amount will be paid from the General Fund. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
6. Remedial Option Plan – Public Works Excavation
This item was pulled from the agenda.
7. Re-grading of Ebony Way
A motion was made by Mr. DeCaria, seconded by Ms. Lamenza, to approve the request by T&M Hardware to re-grade Ebony Way between Fountain Avenue and the intersection with Apple Way located in the Third Ward as shown on the drawing by Lutz & Myers dated 9/18/17. T&M Hardware will be required to repave the road in accordance with Borough specifications. The road will be inspected by the appropriate Borough officials before and after paving. Any reasonable costs associated with the inspections will be paid by T&M Hardware. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

Parks/Recreation: (DeCaria, Mancini, Dici)

1. EC Football Boosters & EC Powderpuff (ratify)
A motion was made by Ms. Dici, seconded by Ms. Lamenza, to approve the following:
 - * the request by the EC Football Boosters to hold a bonfire at the lower parking lot in Stiefel Park October 19 from 7-9:30pm. The Fire Department will assist with this event.
 - * the request (ratify) by the EC Powderpuff to use the Soccer field September 29 – October 21, Saturdays from 5-6:30pm and Sundays from 12-1:30pm.

Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

Administration/Personnel: (Lamenza, Celli, Ovia)

Community Development/Buildings: (Ovia, DeCaria, Mancini)

1. Lease Agreement – Children’s Advocacy Center of Lawrence Co.
A motion was made by Mr. Ovia, seconded by Ms. Dici, to approve a Lease Agreement, as submitted, with the Children’s Advocacy Center of Lawrence Co. for office space located in the Municipal Building. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
2. Approve quote – Fryer Excavating – Demolition of 829 Thalmann Lane
A motion was made by Mr. Ovia, seconded by Mr. Celli, to approve the quote from Fryer Excavating (New Brighton) in the amount of \$9,000 to demolish the structure at 829 Thalmann Lane. This amount will be paid from the L&N Fund. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
3. Agreement – Borough & Ellwood City Revitalization
A motion was made by Mr. Ovia, seconded by Mr. Celli, to approve the Agreement, as submitted, with Ellwood City Revitalization (ECR) relative to the development of 509/511 Lawrence Avenue and 513/515 Lawrence Avenue. Roll call vote. All in favor, except Ms. Dici and Ms. Mancini. Motion carried, 5-2.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

1. Side & Rear Yard Requirements – Public Works & Electric Department Locations
A motion was made by Mr. Celli, seconded by Mr. Oviai, to authorize the Borough to apply for relief for any side and rear yard requirements as it would apply to the Public Works location and the Electric Department location. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

2. Advertise Ordinance – Stop Intersection
A motion was made by Ms. Dici, seconded by Mr. Oviai to advertise an amendment to the traffic ordinance establishing a stop intersection on Fairview Avenue (westbound) at Beechwood Blvd. (S. 11th Street). Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

MAYOR’S REPORT

MANAGER’S REPORT

VISITORS

1. Dave McQuaid, Second Street – RE: First Energy property (fenced & paved)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Yard Waste Pickup – continues this week & the week of October 29
Halloween Parade – October 28 at 3:30pm
Trick or Treat – October 31 from 6-8pm

ADJOURNMENT

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

Linda M. List
Borough Secretary