

5:30pm - Executive Session (Local #964 Contracts)

**ELLWOOD CITY BOROUGH COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING – 6:00 P.M. – COUNCIL CHAMBERS
January 17, 2022**

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

President George Celli called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mr. Barry, Mr. Cragle, Ms. Dici (via phone), Ms. Lamenza, Mr. OviaI, Ms. Williams, and Mr. Celli

Also Present: Manager David Allen (via phone), Mayor Anthony Court and Solicitor Ed Leymarie

INVOCATION – David Allen, Borough Manager

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

COMMENDATION

Taylor Petrak – Olympic trials

VISITORS

None

COMMUNICATIONS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Public Hearing (2) 12/13/21, Regular Meeting 12/20/21

A motion was made by Ms. Lamenza, seconded by Mr. Cragle, to approve the Minutes of the Public Hearings (2) held 12/13/21, and the Regular Meeting held 12/20/21, as submitted. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS:

Pre-Paid Voucher List dated 1/11/22 and List of Vouchers to be Paid dated 1/12/22

A motion was made by Mr. Barry, seconded by Mr. Cragle, to approve the Pre-Paid Voucher List dated 1/11/22, in the amount of \$178,308.44, and the List of Vouchers to be Paid dated 1/12/22, in the amount of \$218,987.87. Roll call vote. All in favor with Ms. Williams abstaining from check # 58033 & check # 58034 (prepaid) due to a conflict of interest. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

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

BID OPENINGS

ORDINANCES

1. Industrial Wastewater Pretreatment Regulations - Repeal

A motion was made by Mr. Cragle, seconded by Ms. Lamenza, to adopt an Ordinance, as submitted, repealing the Industrial Wastewater Pretreatment Regulations. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS

1. Intermunicipal transfer of Liquor License – El Canelo IX, LLC

A motion was made by Mr. OviaI, seconded by Ms. Williams, to adopt a Resolution, as submitted, approving the intermunicipal transfer of restaurant liquor license # R-17325 to El Canelo IX, LLC. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

APPOINTMENTS/RESIGNATIONS

1. Appointments – Zoning Hearing Board Alternate, Planning Commission, Board of Health

A motion was made by Mr. Barry, seconded by Ms. Lamenza, to make the following appointments:

ZONING HEARING BOARD ALTERNATE – 1 vacancy, 1 applicant, 3 Year Term

Frank Lordi Jr, 727 Crescent Avenue

ELLWOOD CITY PLANNING COMMISSION – 1 vacancy, 1 applicant, 4 Year Term

Sherri Greco, 610 Madison Ave

BOARD OF HEALTH – 2 vacancies, 2 applicants

Brad Ovia, 866 Constitution Ave term expires 12/31/23

Caleb Cragle, 845 Perry Street term expires 12/31/25

Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

2. Appointment – Civil Service Commission Alternates

A motion was made by Mr. Barry, seconded by Mr. Ovia, to make the following appointments:

CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION ALTERNATE – 2 applicants, 6 Year Term

Sherri Greco, 610 Madison Ave

Ralph Chiappetta, 311 North Street

Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

COMMITTEES OF COUNCIL

Finance: (Williams, Lamenza, Dici)

1. Donation – EC Area Historical Society

A motion was made by Mr. Barry, seconded by Mr. Ovia, to authorize a donation in the amount of \$2500 to the EC Area Historical Society to help preserve historical photos. This amount will be paid from the General Fund. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

2. 2022 IRS Mileage Reimbursement Rate – 58.5 cents per mile

A motion was made by Mr. Barry, seconded by Ms. Williams, to adopt the 2022 IRS Mileage Reimbursement Rate of 58.5 cents per mile. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

3. 2022 Monthly Transfer - \$120,833.33 to General Fund from Electric Fund

A motion was made by Mr. Barry, seconded by Ms. Lamenza, to approve the 2022 monthly transfer in the amount of \$120,833.33 to the General Fund from the Electric Fund. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

4. Transfer - \$47,475 to Electric Capital Reserve from Electric Fund

The Electric Usage Sold in 2021 was 47,475,239 kwh. Borough Ordinance #2211, Section 38: **Purchase Power Adjustment** states that one mill (.001) per kilowatt hour is charged for the purpose of capital improvements. Therefore, a motion was made by Ms. Williams, seconded by Mr. Ovia, to transfer \$47,475 to the Electric Capital Reserve Fund from the Electric Fund. This entry shall be reflected on the books for 2021. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

5. Donation – Lawrence Co. Tourist Promotion Agency, \$100
A motion was made by Mr. Barry, seconded by Ms. Williams, to approve the donation in the amount of \$100 to the Lawrence Co. Tourist Promotion Agency. This amount will be paid from the General Fund. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

Health/Public Safety: (Ovial, Lamenza, Cragle)

1. Sale of Weapons
A motion was made by Mr. Barry, seconded by Mr. Cragle, to authorize the Police Sergeant to sell (4) Colt AR-15, .223 caliber semi-automatic rifles for \$500 each, as described by their serial numbers:
LBD 020327
LBD 021407
LGC 027082
LGC 027078
The revenue generated by the sale of the rifles will be placed in the Drug Investigation Fund. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
2. Sale of Weapons
A motion was made by Ms. Lamenza, seconded by Mr. Barry, to authorize the Police Sergeant to sell (1) Glock, .45 caliber duty pistol for \$300, as described by its serial number:
KHS796
The revenue generated by the sale of the pistol will be placed in the Drug Investigation Fund. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
3. Approve Quote – ISVUS
A motion was made by Mr. Cragle, seconded by Mr. Ovial, to approve the quote from ISVUS in the amount of \$15,953 to upfit the new police canine vehicle. This amount will be paid from the General Fund. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

Public Works: (Barry, Williams, Ovial)

Utilities: (Dici, Barry, Williams)

1. Approve Quote – purchase of a 2022 Ford F250 (Shults Ford)
A motion was made by Mr. Ovial, seconded by Mr. Barry, to approve the quote in the amount of \$41,445 from Shults Ford for the purchase of a 2022 Ford F250. This amount will be paid from the 2017 Bond Issue. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

Parks/Recreation: (Cragle, Lamenza, Barry)

1. Ellwood City Girls Softball (2), Penn-Ohio Softball Assn. (POSA)
A motion was made by Mr. Cragle, seconded by Ms. Lamenza, to approve the following:
 - * the request by the EC Girls Softball to use the Girl's field at Stiefel Park, February – November, Sundays - Saturdays, 4-10pm and the SW corner of the multipurpose field, April – November, Mondays - Fridays, 4-10pm.
 - * the request by the EC Girls Softball to use the Women's field and the Men's field at Stiefel Park, July 15 – 17 from 6am – 11pm.
 - * the request by the Penn-Ohio Softball Assn. (POSA) to use the Men's field at Stiefel Park, May - September, Mondays - Thursdays, 6-11pm.Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

Administration/Personnel: (Lamenza, Ovia, Cragle)

1. Local #964 – Clerical Contract
A motion was made by Ms. Lamenza, seconded by Ms. Williams, to approve the Local #964 Clerical Contract for the period 1/1/22 to 12/31/25, as outlined in the terms submitted. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
2. Local #964 – Laborers’ Contract (Public Works, Electric, WWTP)
A motion was made by Mr. Ovia, seconded by Ms. Lamenza, to approve the Local #964 Laborers’ Contract for the period 1/1/22 to 12/31/25, as outlined in the terms submitted. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
3. 2022 Fee Schedule - Sewage Enforcement Activities, Mourice Waltz Planners & Consultants
This item was pulled from the agenda.
4. 2022 Fee Schedule – Utility Engineers
A motion was made by Mr. Cragle, seconded by Mr. Ovia, to approve the 2022 fee schedule submitted by Utility Engineers for electrical engineering services. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
5. 2022 Wage – Non-Union Full-Time Employee (Public Works Director)
A motion was made by Mr. Cragle, seconded by Mr. Barry, to establish the wage for the following Non-Union full-time employee retroactive with the first pay in January, 2022 as follows:

	1/1/2022	2022
	Hourly	Annual
Classification	Rate	Base
Public Works Director	\$38.963	\$81,042

Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

Community Development/Buildings: (Ovia, Barry, Cragle)

1. Sewer Tap – 1468 Mercer Road (N. Sewickley Twp.)
A motion was made by Ms. Williams, seconded by Mr. Ovia, to approve the sewer tap in for Donna Cole, 1468 Mercer Rd, (N. Sewickley Twp.), for 1 tap, 1 EDU, \$1,000. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
2. Exclusion from Beaver County CDBG Program
A motion was made by Mr. Ovia, seconded by Mr. Barry, to exclude the Borough from the Beaver County Community Development Block Grant Entitlement Program and continue to receive funds from the PA Department of Community and Economic Development as an entitlement community under Act 179. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

Blight: (Dici, Ovia, Barry)

Technology: (Cragle, Williams, Dici)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

1. Approve Payment – PA Chief of Police Assn (Livescan/CPIN Maintenance Fee)
A motion was made by Mr. Barry, seconded by Ms. Lamenza, to approve the payment in the amount of \$6500 to the PA Chiefs of Police Assn. for Livescan and CPIN maintenance fees for 2022. This amount will be paid from the General Fund. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

MAYOR’S REPORT

MANAGER’S REPORT

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Borough residents may drop off live Christmas trees (decorations removed) at Stiefel Park now through January 31

Picnic shelter reservations will begin on the fourth Monday in **February** (Feb. 28) for Borough residents and beginning on the fourth Monday in **March** (Mar. 28) for non-Borough residents

ADJOURNMENT

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

Linda M. List
Borough Secretary