

ELLWOOD CITY BOROUGH COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING – 6:00 P.M. – COUNCIL CHAMBERS
April 18, 2022

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

President George Celli called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL

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

Also Present: Manager David Allen, Mayor Anthony Court and Solicitor Ed Leymarie

INVOCATION – Phil Conklin, First Church of God

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

COMMENDATIONS

Darrell Hunt

Joshua Sipe

VISITORS

1. Dave Krepitch, 1000 Aetna Dr – RE: School District Per Capita Tax

COMMUNICATIONS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Regular Meeting 3/21/22

A motion was made by Ms. Dici, seconded by Ms. Williams, to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held 3/21/22, as submitted. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS:

Pre-Paid Voucher List 4/12/22 and List of Vouchers to be Paid dated 4/13/22

A motion was made by Ms. Lamenza, seconded by Mr. OviaI, to approve the Pre-Paid Voucher List dated 4/12/22, in the amount of \$127,106.79, and the List of Vouchers to be Paid dated 4/13/22, in the amount of \$224,403.50. Roll call vote. All in favor with Ms. Williams abstaining from voting on check numbers 58478 and 58493 (Pre-paid Vouchers) as they are a conflict of interest. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

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

BID OPENINGS

ORDINANCES

RESOLUTIONS

1. America250PA
A motion was made by Mr. OviaI, seconded by Mr. Cragle, to adopt a Resolution, as submitted, supporting the Pennsylvania Commission for the United States Semiquincentennial (America250PA). Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

APPOINTMENTS/RESIGNATIONS

COMMITTEES OF COUNCIL

Finance: (Williams, Lamenza, Dici)

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

1. Street Address Changes
A motion was made by Mr. Cragle, seconded by Ms. Dici, to accept the following street address changes as recommended by Lawrence County:

<u>Current Address:</u>	<u>Updated Address:</u>
1217 Rear Crescent Avenue	1216 Border Avenue
1221 Crescent Avenue	1220 Border Avenue

Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

2. Advertise Ordinance – Disorderly House
A motion was made by Mr. Ovial, seconded by Ms. Dici, to advertise an ordinance regulating disorderly houses. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

Public Works: (Barry, Williams, Ovial)

Utilities: (Dici, Barry, Williams)

Parks/Recreation: (Cragle, Lamenza, Barry)

1. National Day of Prayer
A motion was made by Mr. Cragle, seconded by Mr. Ovial, to approve the request to use the Community Plaza on May 5 from 11-2pm for the National Day of Prayer event. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
2. Boy Scout Troop #806
A motion was made by Ms. Williams, seconded by Mr. Cragle, to approve the request by Boy Scout Troop #806 to camp at shelter #8 on April 22 & 23 during the Earth Day Festivities and to have a small camp fire. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
3. Word Alive Church
A motion was made by Mr. Ovial, seconded by Ms. Lamenza, to approve the request to use the Community Plaza on June 4 from 12-9pm (actual event 5-7pm) for a city wide gathering consisting of music, testimonies, and food trucks on Lawrence Avenue. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
4. Memorial Day Parade
A motion was made by Ms. Dici, seconded by Mr. Cragle, to approve the request by the Memorial Day Parade Committee to hold the Memorial Day Parade on Monday, May 30 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 Legion Park for a ceremony and Pittsburgh Circle Heritage Park for a community cookout. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

Administration/Personnel: (Lamenza, Ovial, Cragle)

1. Employment - Parks Manager
This item was pulled from the Agenda.
2. Employment – Playground/Concession Stand Coordinator
This item was pulled from the Agenda.
3. Employment – Playground Instructors/Concession Stand
A motion was made by Mr. Ovial, seconded by Ms. Lamenza, to approve the employment of the following individuals for summer work, contingent upon satisfactory background checks/clearances:

Olivia Morrow	Playground	\$12.00/hr	Child Abuse, Criminal History, Fingerprint Criminal History
Colin Williams	Playground	\$12.00/hr	Child Abuse, Criminal History, Fingerprint Criminal History

Talan Young Playground \$12.00/hr Child Abuse, Criminal History, Fingerprint
Criminal History

Roll call vote. All in favor, except Ms. Williams abstaining from voting on Colin Williams (her son). Motion carried.

4. Employment – Community Outreach Coordinator (part-time)
This item was pulled from the Agenda.
5. Police Eligibility List - Adopt
A motion was made by Ms. Dici, seconded by Mr. Oviai, to adopt the Police Eligibility List dated 4/11/22, as submitted by the Civil Service Commission. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
6. Employment – Robert Bird and David Samsa Patrolman
A motion was made by Ms. Lamenza, seconded by Mr. Cragle, to hire Robert Bird and David Samsa as full-time Patrolman at the rate of \$24.06/hour (66% of \$36.46 (full rate)), contingent upon the successful completion of any remaining background checks. It is further approved that Robert Bird is considered to have more seniority over David Samsa. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
7. Ptl. James Cunningham – Completion of Probationary Period
A motion was made by Ms. Dici, seconded by Ms. Lamenza, to accept the recommendation from Mayor Court and Sgt. McBride that Ptl. James Cunningham has completed his six (6) months probationary period and there is no need to extend it. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
8. Employment – Jason Crawford and Nic Marcinko - Part Time Firefighters
A motion was made by Mr. Oviai, seconded by Mr. Cragle, to hire Jason Crawford and Nic Marcinko as part-time Firefighters at the rate of \$16.50/hour. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

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

1. Sale of 1127 Center Avenue
This item was pulled from the Agenda.
2. Purchase – 806 Fifth Street
A motion was made by Mr. Oviai, seconded by Ms. Williams, to purchase the property at 806 Fifth Street from the Beaver County Repository in the amount of \$138.00. This amount will be paid from the L&N Fund. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
3. Approve Quote – Tom Sipes Demolition
A motion was made by Ms. Williams, seconded by Ms. Lamenza, to approve the quote from Tom Sipes Demolition in the amount of \$6500 to demolish the structure at 806 Fifth Street. This amount will be paid from the L&N Fund. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
4. 332 Rear Orchard Avenue
A motion would be in order to authorize the Borough Solicitor to condemn and seek court approval to have the property at 332 Rear Orchard Avenue vacated. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
5. Beaver Co. Repository – 000 Summit Avenue & 216 Summit Avenue
A motion was made by Mr. Cragle, seconded by Ms. Lamenza, to approve the bid for the Beaver Co. Repository property located at 000 Summit Avenue (22-001-0833.000) and 216 Summit Avenue (22-001-0833.001) to Boost Living for \$766.50 and \$1433.01, respectively. Roll call vote. All in favor, except Mr. Oviai and Ms. Williams. Motion carried, 5-2.

Blight: (Dici, Oviai, Barry)

Technology: (Cragle, Williams, Dici)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

1. Youth Football Camp
A motion was made by Ms. Dici, seconded by Mr. Cragle, to approve the request to use the multi-purpose field at Stiefel Park on April 30 from 3:30pm – 5pm for a youth football camp, provided that there is no charge to the participants, the entity provides a \$1 million insurance liability policy naming the Borough as an additional insured, and the legal name of the entity is disclosed. Roll call vote. All in favor, except Mr. Cragle. Motion carried, 6-1.
2. Memorandum of Understanding – Law Enforcement & School District
A motion was made by Mr. Oviai, seconded by Ms. Lamenza, to approve the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) relative to law enforcement and the Ellwood City Area School District. The MOU establishes procedures to be followed when certain incidents occur on school property, at any school sponsored activity, or on a vehicle providing transportation to or from a school or school sponsored activity. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
3. Permission to Add – Advertise Part-time Patrolman to Agenda
A motion was made by Mr. Cragle, seconded by Mr. Oviai, to add advertising for the position of Part-time Patrolman to the Agenda. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
4. Advertise Employment – Part Time Patrolman (Non-Civil Service)
A motion was made by Ms. Williams, seconded by Mr. Barry, to advertise for the position of Part-time Patrolman (Non-Civil Service). Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT

MANAGER'S REPORT

VISITORS

1. Dave Krepitch, 1000 Aetna Dr – RE: School District Per Capita Tax

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

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

Linda M. List
Borough Secretary