

5:30pm – Executive Session (Contracts)

**ELLWOOD CITY BOROUGH COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING – 6:00 P.M. – COUNCIL CHAMBERS
January 16, 2023**

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

President George Celli called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mr. Barry, Mr. Cragle, Ms. Lamenza, Mr. Ovia, Ms. Williams, and Mr. Celli

Also Present: Borough Manager Kevin Swogger, Mayor Anthony Court, and Solicitor Ed Leymarie

Absent: Ms. Dici and Kaden Schlichtkrull (Jr. Councilperson)

INVOCATION – Phil Conklin, First Church of God

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

VISITORS

None

COMMUNICATIONS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Special Meetings 12/5/22, 12/29/22, Reconvened Meeting 12/12/22, Regular Meeting 12/19/22

A motion was made by Mr. Barry, seconded by Ms. Lamenza, to approve the Minutes of the Special Meetings held 12/5/22 and 12/29/22, Reconvened Meeting 12/12/22, and the Regular Meeting held 12/19/22, as submitted. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS:

Pre-Paid Voucher List 1/13/23 and List of Vouchers to be Paid dated 1/12/23

A motion was made by Mr. Cragle, seconded by Mr. Ovia, to approve the Pre-Paid Voucher List dated 1/13/23, in the amount of \$138,632.44, and the List of Vouchers to be Paid dated 1/12/23, in the amount of \$99,263.26 (2022) and \$31,359.75 (2023). Roll call vote. All in favor, except Ms. Williams abstaining from voting on invoice #'s 31909 and 31910 (To Be Paid). Motion carried.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

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

BID OPENINGS

ORDINANCES

1. Repeal Ordinance #2602 - One Way on Glen Avenue
A motion was made by Ms. Williams, seconded by Mr. Barry, to repeal Ordinance #2602, designating one way traffic on Glen Avenue from 5th Street to a point 350' westbound. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

2. Ordinance - One Way on Glen Avenue
A motion was made by Ms. Williams, seconded by Mr. Ovia, to adopt an ordinance, as submitted, designating one way traffic on Glen Avenue beginning at a point 350' west of 5th Street to 6th Street (westbound). Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS

General Fund #001

<u>Expenditures</u>		<u>Original</u>	<u>Revised</u>
553.18	Swimming Pool (Social Security)	\$2034.90	\$2035

Yard Waste Collection, Recycling & Clean Up Services Fund #124

<u>Expenditures</u>		<u>Original</u>	<u>Revised</u>
427.33	Collection Services (Annual Clean Up Collection)	\$0	\$9162
427.30	Services & Charges	\$295,670	\$304,832
Total Expenditures		\$297,823	\$306,985

	<u>Original</u>	<u>Revised</u>
OVERALL TOTAL BUDGET (ALL FUNDS)	\$15,526,245	\$15,567,750

Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

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

1. Approve Quote – IBIS
 A motion was made by Mr. Cragle, seconded by Mr. Ovial, to approve the quote from IBIS Emergency Vehicles in the amount of \$12,568 (Costar pricing) to up fit the new 2022 Dodge Charger police vehicle. This amount will be paid from the General Fund. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
2. Agreement – Lawrence Co. Task Force
 A motion was made by Mr. Barry, seconded by Mr. Cragle, to approve an Agreement, as submitted, with the Lawrence County District Attorney’s Office relative to Local Task Force and the Lawrence County Special Investigations Unit. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

Public Works: (Barry, Williams, Ovial)

1. Award Bid – Dump Truck
 A motion was made by Mr. Barry, seconded by Mr. Cragle, to award the bid for a 2021 medium duty regular cab 4WD vehicle with a 5 Ton dump body to McElwian Motors at the cost of \$74,800. This amount will be paid from the General Fund. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
2. Approve Quote – Insight Pipe Contracting
 A motion was made by Ms. Williams, seconded by Mr. Barry, to approve the quote from Insight Pipe Contracting in the amount of \$63,109.90 for the lining of the 6th Street and Lawrence Avenue sanitary sewer. This amount will be paid from the General Fund. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

Utilities: (Dici, Barry, Williams)

1. Approve Quote – Barber’s Chemicals
 A motion was made by Ms. Williams, seconded by Mr. Barry, to approve the quote from Barber’s Chemicals in the amount of \$16,904 to repair the sand filter bases at the swimming pool and replace the sand. This amount will be paid from the General Fund (\$10,000) and the General Capital Reserve Fund (\$6904). Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
2. Engineering Services Agreement – Greenman-Pedersen
 A motion was made by Ms. Williams, seconded by Mr. Cragle, to approve the Engineering Services Agreement with Greenman-Pedersen, Inc. for the construction, inspection and engineering oversight during construction relative to the Wampum Avenue Pump Station Project. These costs will be paid from the PennVest grant. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

Parks/Recreation: (Cragle, Lamenza, Barry)

1. **EC Arts, Crafts, Food Festival**
 A motion was made by Mr. Ovia, seconded by Ms. Williams, to approve the request by the Arts, Crafts & Foods Festival Committee to use Ewing Park and all facilities including the swimming pool and tennis court parking lots from June 27 – July 3. The actual days of the Festival are June 30, July 1 & 2. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

2. **EC Area School District - Girls Softball**
 A motion was made by Ms. Williams, seconded by Mr. Ovia, to approve the request by the EC Area School District to use the Women’s Field at Stiefel Park for girls softball March 1 – June 30, Monday – Friday 12pm – 9pm, Sat/Sun 12pm – 6pm.

 After a brief discussion, a motion to table this item was made by Mr. Barry. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried. Item tabled.

3. **Ellwood City Girls Softball**
 A motion was made by Ms. Williams, seconded by Mr. Barry, to approve the request by the EC Girls Softball to use the Girl’s field at Stiefel Park, March – November, Monday – Friday 3-10pm & Saturdays/Sundays 10am – 7pm and the SW corner of the multipurpose field, March – November, Mondays - Fridays, 4-10pm.

 A motion to table this item was made by Mr. Barry. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried. Item tabled.

4. **Fishers of Men**
 A motion was made by Mr. Cragle, seconded by Mr. Ovia, to approve the request by the Fishers of Men to use the Community Plaza for community outreach on June 3 at 5pm. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

Administration/Personnel: (Lamenza, Ovia, Cragle)

1. **2023 Wage Rate Correction – Public Works Director**
 A motion was made by Mr. Barry, seconded by Ms. Lamenza, to correct the 2023 wage rate for the Public Works Director, effective with the first pay in January, 2023 as follows:

	1/1/2023	2023
	Hourly	Annual
<u>Classification</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Base</u>
Public Works Director (incorrect)	\$39.553	\$82,270
(Corrected amount)	\$39.742	\$82,663

Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

2. **Police Department Policy - Grooming**
 A motion was made by Mr. Ovia, seconded by Mr. Cragle, to adopt a Police Department Policy on Grooming. Roll call vote. All in favor, except Mr. Barry and Mr. Celli. Motion carried, 4-2.

3. **2023 Fee Schedule - Sewage Enforcement Activities, Mourice Waltz Planners & Consultants**
 A motion was made by Ms. Williams, seconded by Ms. Lamenza, to approve the 2023 fee schedule submitted by Mourice Waltz Planners and Consultants for Sewage Enforcement Services. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

4. **Ptl. Matthew Morabito – Completion of Probationary Period**
 A motion was made by Mr. Cragle, seconded by Ms. Lamenza, to accept the recommendation from Mayor Court and Sgt. McBride that Ptl. Matthew Morabito has completed his six (6) months probationary period and there is no need to extend it. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

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

1. **Exclusion from Beaver County CDBG Program**
A motion was made by Mr. Cragle, seconded by Mr. Ovial, 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.
2. **Sewer Tap – George Sewall (N. Sewickley Twp.)**
A motion was made by Mr. Barry, seconded by Ms. Williams, to approve the sewer tap in for George Sewall, 110 White Fox Ct, Lot 31, (N. Sewickley Twp.), for 1 tap, \$1,000. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
3. **EC Area Chamber of Commerce - Wander Ellwood**
A motion was made by Mr. Ovial, seconded by Ms. Williams, to approve the request by the EC Area Chamber of Commerce to hold the “Wander Ellwood” event on June 7 & 21, July 19, August 2 & 16, and September 6 from 5-8pm. It is also requested to approve suspending Part 10, Chapter 1066, subsection 1066.03 (a) of the Codified Ordinance Book pertaining to the prohibition of alcohol. This suspension only applies to participants of the “Wander Ellwood” event. Event insurance shall be purchased, naming the Borough of Ellwood City as an additional named insured. All necessary State and County permits shall be in place for this event. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

Blight: (Dici, Ovial, Barry)

Technology: (Cragle, Williams, Dici)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

1. **Approve Quote – Colussy Chevrolet**
A motion was made by Mr. Ovial, seconded by Mr. Barry, to approve the quote from Colussy Chevrolet in the amount of \$29,469 (Costar pricing) for a 2023 Chevy Equinox for the Wastewater Treatment Plant. This amount will be paid from the Sewage Fund. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
2. **Permission to Add – Advertise for Part Time Patrolman**
A motion was made by Mr. Barry, seconded by Ms. Lamenza, to add the advertising for a part time Patrolman to the Agenda. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
3. **Advertise Employment - Part Time Patrolman**
A motion was made by Mr. Ovial, seconded by Mr. Barry, to advertise for a part time Patrolman. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

MAYOR’S REPORT

MANAGER’S REPORT

VISITORS

1. Jimmy Bucci, 231 Oswald Street, Wampum – RE: plaque for retired police officers

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. 27) for Borough residents and beginning
on the fourth Monday in **March** (Mar. 27) for non-Borough residents

ADJOURNMENT

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

Linda M. List
Borough Secretary