

Executive Session - Personnel

**ELLWOOD CITY BOROUGH COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING – 6:00 P.M. – COUNCIL CHAMBERS
June 19, 2023**

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

President George Celli called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL

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

Also Present: Borough Manager Kevin Swogger, Mayor Anthony Court, Solicitor Ed Leymarie, and Kaden Schlichtkrull (Jr. Councilperson)

INVOCATION – Phil Conklin, First Church of God

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

VISITORS

1. James Protin, GPI – RE: Wampum Ave Sewer Project
2. Tyler Watts, GPI – RE: Wampum Ave Sewer Project
3. David Parker – RE: Traffic (4th St. & Franklin)
4. Cassie McCants, 309 Evans Dr – RE: attendance at Borough pool

COMMUNICATIONS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Public Hearing 5/15/23, Regular Meeting 5/15/23

A motion was made by Ms. Dici, seconded by Mr. Barry, to approve the Minutes of the Public Hearing held 5/15/23 and the Regular Meeting held 5/15/23, as submitted. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS:

Pre-Paid Voucher List 6/13/23 and List of Vouchers to be Paid dated 6/14/23

A motion was made by Mr. Cragle, seconded by Ms. Lamenza, to approve the Pre-Paid Voucher List dated 6/13/23, in the amount of \$603,896.79, and the List of Vouchers to be Paid dated 6/14/23, in the amount of \$756,262.96. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

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

BID OPENINGS

ORDINANCES

RESOLUTIONS

APPOINTMENTS/RESIGNATIONS

COMMITTEES OF COUNCIL

Finance: (Williams, Lamenza, Dici)

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

1. Advertise Ordinance – Stop Intersection on Glen Ave at Pgh Circle
A motion was made by Mr. Ovial, seconded by Mr. Barry, to advertise an amendment to the traffic ordinance establishing a stop intersection on Glen Avenue at Pittsburgh Circle (closest to 5th St). Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
2. EC Area Chamber – Fall Fest/Car Cruise
A motion was made by Mr. Barry, seconded by Ms. Dici, to approve the request by the EC Area Chamber of Commerce to hold a Fall Fest/Car Cruise on September 30. It is further requested to close Lawrence Avenue from 4th to 11th Street from 8am – 5pm (actual event is 11am– 5pm). Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

Public Works: (Barry, Williams, Ovial)

1. Rescind Motion Made 5/15/23 – LandPro Equipment
A motion was made by Mr. Cragle, seconded by Mr. Ovial, to rescind the motion made at the Regular Council Meeting held 5/15/23 approving “the quote from LandPro Equipment in the amount of \$12,558.50 (Costar pricing) for a 2022 John Deere Z930M zero turn mower. This amount will be paid from the General Fund (\$8000) and the General Capital Reserve Fund (\$4558.50).” Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
2. Approve Quote – LandPro Equipment (Deere & Company)
A motion was made by Mr. Barry, seconded by Ms. Dici, to approve the quote from LandPro Equipment (Deere & Company) in the amount of \$12,939.75 (Costar pricing) for a 2023 John Deere Z930M zero turn mower. This amount will be paid from the General Fund (\$8000) and the General Capital Reserve Fund (\$4,939.75). Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

Utilities: (Dici, Barry, Williams)

Parks/Recreation: (Cragle, Lamenza, Barry)

1. Summer Sand Volleyball League
A motion was made by Ms. Dici, seconded by Mr. Barry to approve the request to use the sand volleyball court June 5-August 7, Mondays from 5:30pm to 10:30pm as well as the grassy area inside the pool area for tournaments during the Festival. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
2. Badlands Ministry – Community Plaza
A motion was made by Mr. Ovial, seconded by Ms. Lamenza, to approve the request by the Badlands Ministry to use the Community Plaza July 2 – September 24, Sundays, from 8pm-9pm. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

Administration/Personnel: (Lamenza, Ovial, Cragle)

1. Employment – Park Manager
This item was pulled from the Agenda.
2. Employment – Animal Control Officer
This item was pulled from the Agenda.
3. Employment (ratify) – Summer (Parks)
A motion was made by Mr. Cragle, seconded by Ms. Williams, to ratify the employment of the following individuals for summer work, contingent upon satisfactory background checks/clearances:

Nathan Williams	Parks	\$12.00/hr	Criminal History, Driver’s History
Evan Schwartz	Parks	\$12.00/hr	Criminal History, Driver’s History

Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

4. Amend – Revolving Loan Fund Guidelines

A motion was made by Mr. Barry, seconded by Ms. Lamenza, to amend the “Revolving Loan Fund Guidelines”, as submitted, defining “Retail, Commercial, or Service Establishment” as eligible applicants under the Revolving Loan Fund program. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

5. Rescind Motion Made 5/15/23 – Revolving Loan Fund Application (Red Hot Restaurant)

A motion was made by Ms. Dici, seconded by Mr. Oviai, to:

* rescind the motion made at the Regular Council Meeting held 5/15/23 approving “the Revolving Loan Application submitted by John Katsadas (Red Hot Restaurant) for \$31,000 to replace the roof, install new gutters, downspouts, soffit and fascia for the property located at 219 Sixth Street.”

* approve the Revolving Loan Application submitted by John Katsadas (Red Hot Restaurant) for \$15,500 to replace the roof, install new gutters, downspouts, soffit and fascia for the property located at 219 Sixth Street.

Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

6. Approve Quote – Replace Air Handler/Air Conditioning Unit

A motion was made by Mr. Cragle, seconded by Ms. Williams, to approve the quote by Central Heating & Plumbing in the amount of \$9,475 (Costar pricing) to replace an air handler/air conditioning unit for the Utility Billing area in the Municipal Building. This amount will be paid from General Capital Reserve Fund. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

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

Blight: (Dici, Oviai, Barry)

Technology: (Cragle, Williams, Dici)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

1. Resignation – Jennifer Greco (Crossing Guard)

A motion was made by Ms. Dici, seconded by Mr. Oviai, to accept the resignation of Jennifer Greco (Crossing Guard), effective immediately. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

MAYOR’S REPORT

MANAGER’S REPORT

ANNOUNCEMENTS

2022 Audit presentation – July 10 at 5:45pm

ADJOURNMENT

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Personnel

Linda M. List
Borough Secretary