

5:30PM – Executive Session – Contracts

**ELLWOOD CITY BOROUGH COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING – 6:00 P.M. – COUNCIL CHAMBERS
July 17, 2023**

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

President George Celli called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mr. Barry, Mr. Cragle, Ms. Dici, Ms. Lamenza, Mr. O'vial, Ms. Williams, and Mr. Celli
Also Present: Borough Manager Kevin Swogger, Mayor Anthony Court, Solicitor Ed Leymarie, and Kaden Schlichtkrull (Jr. Councilperson)

INVOCATION – Tom O'Brien – First Christian Church

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

COMMENDATION

Kaden Schlichtkrull – Jr. Councilperson

VISITORS

1. Ron Cusato – Fombell, PA – RE: rental property he owns at 113 Line Ave (flooding concerns)
2. Jeff Krosovic – Entrance Drive – RE: potholes, speed humps, School Dist. new softball field in Ewing Park
3. Dave McQuaid – RE: “Kitchen Cabinet” is a non-profit/non-political committee

COMMUNICATIONS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Special Meetings 6/1/23 & 6/12/23 & Regular Meeting 6/19/23

A motion was made by Mr. Cragle, seconded by Ms. Lamenza, to approve the Minutes of the Special Meetings held 6/1/23 and 6/12/23 and the Regular Meeting held 6/19/23, as submitted. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS:

Pre-Paid Voucher List 7/6/23 and List of Vouchers to be Paid dated 7/7/23

A motion was made by Mr. Barry, seconded by Ms. Dici, to approve the Pre-Paid Voucher List dated 7/6/23, in the amount of \$490,623.01, and the List of Vouchers to be Paid dated 7/7/23, in the amount of \$168,457.46. Roll call vote. All in favor with Ms. Williams abstaining from Pre-Paid Voucher, check # 60669. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

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

BID OPENINGS

ORDINANCES

1. Stop Intersection on Glen Ave at Pgh Circle
A motion was made by Mr. O'vial, seconded by Mr. Cragle, to adopt an amendment to the traffic ordinance establishing a stop intersection on Glen Avenue at Pittsburgh Circle (closest to 5th St), eastbound and westbound. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS

APPOINTMENTS/RESIGNATIONS

1. Resignation – Joseph Cioffi (Civil Service Commission)
 A motion was made by Ms. Dici, seconded by Mr. Cragle, to accept the resignation of Joseph Cioffi from the Civil Service Commission. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
2. Advertise Vacancy – Civil Service Commission
 A motion was made by Mr. Oviai, seconded by Ms. Williams, to advertise the vacancy on the Civil Service Commission for a term that expires 12/31/23. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

COMMITTEES OF COUNCIL

Finance: (Williams, Lamenza, Dici)

1. Accept the 2022 Audit (Mark Turnley, CPA)
 A motion was made by Ms. Williams, seconded by Mr. Cragle, to accept the 2022 audit performed by Mark Turnley, CPA. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

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

1. Advertise Ordinance - Stop Intersections
 A motion was made by Mr. Oviai, seconded by Mr. Barry, to advertise an amendment to the traffic ordinance establishing stop intersections at the following locations:

<u>Stop Street</u>	<u>Intersecting Street</u>	<u>Direction of Travel</u>
Park Avenue	Seventh Street	Eastbound & Westbound
East Avenue	Perry Street	Westbound
Foch Street	Jefferson Avenue	Northbound & Southbound
Foch Street	Adams Avenue	Northbound & Southbound
Petai Street	Washington Avenue	Southbound
Hazel Avenue	Bridge Street	Eastbound & Westbound

Public Works: (Barry, Williams, Oviai)

Utilities: (Dici, Barry, Williams)

1. Approve Invoice – Falletta Engineering
 A motion was made by Mr. Cragle, seconded by Ms. Lamenza, to approve the payment in the amount of \$11,050 to Falletta Engineering for the emergency replacement for influent raw pump #4 at the wastewater treatment plant. This amount will be paid from the Sewage Fund. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

Parks/Recreation: (Cragle, Lamenza, Barry)

Administration/Personnel: (Lamenza, Oviai, Cragle)

1. Approve Quote – “Welcome to Ellwood City Sign”
 A motion was made by Mr. Barry, seconded by Mr. Oviai, to approve the quote from _____ in the amount of \$ _____ for the purchase of _ (Quantity?) (Which Design??) “Welcome to Ellwood City” sign(s). This amount will be paid from the L&N Fund. Roll call vote. All in favor of the following:

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Style/Option</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Total</u>
Signs by Sam	Style 2	2	\$3500ea (sign only)	\$7000

Motion carried.

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

1. Sewer Tap – 113 White Fox Court, Lot 34 (N. Sewickley Twp.)
 A motion was made by Mr. Barry, seconded by Ms. Dici, to approve the following sewer tap:

 George Sewall, 113 White Fox Court, Lot 34 (N. Sewickley Twp.), 1 tap, \$1000

 Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

2. EC Area Chamber of Commerce - Wander Ellwood

A motion was made by Mr. Ovial, seconded by Mr. Cragle, to approve the request by the EC Area Chamber of Commerce to extend the time of the “Wander Ellwood” event on July 19 (only) from 5-8pm to 5-9pm. 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. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

Blight: (Dici, Ovial, Barry)

Technology: (Cragle, Williams, Dici)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

1. EC Arts, Crafts, Food Festival

A motion was made by Mr. Ovial, seconded by Ms. Lamenza, 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 24 – July 1, 2024. The actual days of the Festival are June 28, 29, 30, 2024. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

2. Agreement – Release of Claim to Unidentified Parcel of Real Property

A motion was made by Mr. Cragle, seconded by Mr. Barry, to approve a “Release of Claim to Unidentified Parcel of Real Property” located within the First Ward of the Borough of Ellwood City consisting of .399 acres to Robert & Peri Malcolm of 911 Border Avenue. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

3. Employment – Kaitlyn Sickafuse, PT Paramedic

A motion was made by Mr. Ovial, seconded by Mr. Cragle, to approve the employment of Kaitlyn Sickafuse as a part-time paramedic at the rate of \$20.00/hour. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

4. Approve Quote – Street Sweeper (Golden Equipment)

This item was pulled from the Agenda.

5. Agreement/Quote – Edmunds Gov Tech (Software)

A motion was made by Ms. Lamenza, seconded by Mr. Ovial, to approve the Agreement/Quote with Edmunds Gov Tech to provide computer software (utility, payroll, accounting, code enforcement) at a cost of \$96,650 (year 1 investment) plus subscription & hosting fees at a cost of \$49,650 (year 2-3 investment). These amounts will be paid from the General, Electric, and Sewage Funds. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

6. Permission to Add – Approve Quote (Security Cameras)

A motion was made by Ms. Dici, seconded by Mr. Ovial, to add approving a quote to purchase security cameras to the agenda. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

7. Approve Quote – M&P Security Solutions (Security Cameras)

A motion was made by Mr. Barry, seconded by Mr. Ovial, to approve the quote from M&P Security Solutions in the amount of \$9,985 for the purchase of two (2) security cameras for the Community Plaza (Lawrence Avenue). This amount will be paid from the L&N Fund. Roll call vote. All in favor. Motion carried.

VISTORS

1. Earla Marshall, 319 Mt. Vernon Dr – RE: Kitchen Cabinet
2. David Kreptich, 1000 Aetna Dr – RE: Kitchen Cabinet, School Dist. Softball Field
3. Jeff Krosovic, Entrance Dr – RE: Street Sweeper, Cameras, Farmer’s Market, L&N Fund

MAYOR'S REPORT

MANAGER'S REPORT

ANNOUNCEMENTS

July 20 – Volunteers needed for flower pot project on Lawrence Ave

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.

Linda M. List
Borough Secretary