

**ELLWOOD CITY BOROUGH COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING – 6:00 P.M. – REMOTE ACCESS
January 18, 2021**

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

President George Celli called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mr. Barry, Mr. Brough, Mr. Cragle, Ms. Dici, Ms. Guerrero, Ms. Lamenza, and Mr. Celli

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

INVOCATION – Tod Custer, Christ Presbyterian Church

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

VISITORS

None

COMMUNICATIONS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Regular Meeting 12/21/20

A motion was made by Mr. Barry, seconded by Ms. Lamenza, to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held 12/21/20, as submitted. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS:

Pre-Paid Voucher List dated 1/12/21 and List of Vouchers to be Paid dated 1/13/21

A motion was made by Ms. Dici, seconded by Mr. Barry, to approve the Pre-Paid Voucher List dated 1/12/21, in the amount of \$357,565.89, and the List of Vouchers to be Paid dated 1/13/21, in the amount of \$163,599.10. 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

1. Reconnection Charges

A motion was made by Mr. Brough, seconded by Mr. Barry, to adopt a Resolution, as submitted, re-establishing electric reconnection charges. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

APPOINTMENTS/RESIGNATIONS

COMMITTEES OF COUNCIL

Finance: (Guerrera, Cragle, Barry)

1. 2021 IRS Mileage Reimbursement Rate – 56 cents per mile

A motion was made by Ms. Lamenza, seconded by Ms. Dici, to adopt the 2021 IRS Mileage Reimbursement Rate of 56 cents per mile. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

2. 2021 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 2021 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.
3. Transfer - \$47,862 to Electric Capital Reserve from Electric Fund
The Electric Usage Sold in 2020 was 47,862,013 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 Mr. Barry, seconded by Mr. Cragle, to transfer \$47,862 to the Electric Capital Reserve Fund from the Electric Fund. This entry shall be reflected on the books for 2020. Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.
4. Donation – Ellwood City Area Historical Society
A motion was made by Mr. Barry, seconded by Ms. Lamenza, to authorize the one time donation in the amount of \$5,000 to the Ellwood City Area Historical Society. This amount will be paid from the L&N Property Fund and shall only be used for the acquisition, restoration, and maintenance of historical properties.

After a discussion, Ms. Lamenza withdrew her second.

A motion was made by Mr. Cragle, seconded by Ms. Dici, to postpone this item until the February meeting. Roll call vote. All in favor, except Mr. Barry. Motion carried, 6-1.

Health/Public Safety: (Celli, Barry, Lamenza)

Public Works/Utilities: (Barry, Cragle, Guerrera)

1. Advertise Bids – Refuse, Recycling, Yard Waste Collection
A motion was made by Mr. Brough, seconded by Ms. Dici, to advertise bids for the collection of refuse, recycling, and yard waste. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
2. Purchase – Hot Box/Reclaimer
A motion was made by Mr. Brough, seconded by Mr. Cragle, to authorize the purchase of a hot box/reclaimer from Seal Master in the amount of \$28,230 (Costar pricing). This amount will be paid from the General Fund. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

Parks/Recreation: (Cragle, Lamenza, Brough)

1. Ellwood City Fastpitch
A motion would be in order to approve the request by the EC Fastpitch to use Merit Book Park and the Women's Field at Stiefel Park, Mondays – Sundays, June 1 – October 31. This item died for the lack of a motion.
2. Ellwood City Girls Softball
A motion was made by Mr. Cragle, seconded by Mr. Brough, to approve the request by the EC Girls Softball to use the Girls field at Stiefel Park, February – November, Mondays -Fridays, 4-10pm and the SW corner of the Soccer Field, February – November, Tuesdays and Thursdays, 4-9pm. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

Administration/Personnel: (Lamenza, Cragle, Barry)

1. 2021 Fee Schedule - Sewage Enforcement Activities, Mourice Waltz Planners & Consultants
A motion was made by Mr. Brough, seconded by Ms. Dici, to approve the 2021 fee schedule submitted by Mourice Waltz Planners and Consultants for Sewage Enforcement Services. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

2. 2021 Wages – Part-Time Employees’

A motion was made by Ms. Lamenza, seconded by Mr. Brough, to establish salaries and wages for the following part-time employee effective with the first pay in January, 2021 as follows:

<u>Classification</u>	<u>1/1/2021 Hourly Rate/Salary</u>
Secretary to Mayor/Police Chief/Planning/Zoning	\$12.25

Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

3. Andy Petrella – WWTP Manager (Full Time)

A motion was made by Ms. Dici, seconded by Mr. Cragle, to promote Andy Petrella, WWTP Manager to full-time status, retroactive to 1/1/21. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

4. Granicus – Website Design Services

A motion was made by Mr. Brough, seconded by Mr. Cragle, to approve the proposal from Granicus in the amount of \$7500 for website design services. This amount will be paid from the General Fund. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

Community Development/Buildings: (Dici, Celli, Lamenza)

1. Exclusion from Beaver County CDBG Program

A motion was made by Mr. Cragle, seconded by Ms. Dici, 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: (Brough, Dici, Guerrero)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

VISITORS

None

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. 22) for Borough residents and beginning on the fourth Monday in **March** (Mar. 22) for non-Borough residents

ADJOURNMENT

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

Linda M. List
Borough Secretary