

5:45pm – Executive Session (Police Contract)

**ELLWOOD CITY BOROUGH COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING – 6:00 P.M. – COUNCIL CHAMBERS
July 15, 2024**

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

President Brad OviaI called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL

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

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

INVOCATION – James Johnson

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

VISITORS

1. Karen Mancini, 430 Beatty St – RE: School District proposed softball field

COMMUNICATIONS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Regular Meeting 6/17/24

A motion was made by Mr. Barry, seconded by Mr. Johnson, to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held 6/17/24, as submitted. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS:

Pre-Paid Voucher List 7/11/24 and List of Vouchers to be Paid dated 7/11/24

A motion was made by Ms. Lamenza, seconded by Mr. Celli, to approve the Pre-Paid Voucher List dated 7/11/24, in the amount of \$560,429.36, and the List of Vouchers to be Paid dated 7/11/24, in the amount of \$764,408.88. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

A motion was made by Mr. Cragle, seconded by Mr. Celli, 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, Celli, Lamenza)

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

Public Works: (Celli, Barry, Williams)

1. Approve Quote – Insight Pipe Contracting

A motion was made by Mr. Barry, seconded by Mr. Celli, to approve the quote from Insight Pipe Contracting in the amount of approximately \$11,940 to line 200' of sanitary sewers on Evans Drive. This amount will be paid from the Sewage Capital Reserve Fund. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

Utilities: (Williams, Celli, Johnson)

1. Wampum Avenue Pump Station Project – Change Order #3 (Pollard Land Services)
A motion was made by Ms. Williams, seconded by Mr. Cragle, to approve Change Order #3 in the amount of \$35,820 from Pollard Land Services relative to the Wampum Avenue Pump Station Project. Due to unforeseen field conditions, 5 laterals were located that are required to be tied back into the sewage system. This amount will be paid from the PennVest contingency. Roll call vote. All in favor, except Mr. Barry and Mr. Johnson. Motion carried, 5-2.
2. Wampum Avenue Pump Station Project – Change Order #1 (Penn Ohio Electrical Co.)
A motion was made by Mr. Cragle, seconded by Ms. Lamenza, to approve Change Order #1 in the amount of \$0 from Penn Ohio Electrical Co. relative to the Wampum Avenue Pump Station Project. This is a time only change order. A time extension will be required to reflect the contract duration change dates. This is required to realign Contract 2 (electrical) substantial completion dates with Contract 1 (general) due to the required sequencing of work. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

Parks/Recreation: (Cragle, Williams, Ovia)

1. Basketball Camp/Clinic
A motion was made by Mr. Cragle, seconded by Mr. Barry, to approve the request by Bob Rak to use the Ewing Park basketball court July 29 – August 2, Monday – Friday from 10a-12p for a free basketball camp/clinic. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
2. Beatty Architecture, LLC
A motion was made by Ms. Williams, seconded by Mr. Johnson, to approve the proposal from Beatty Architecture in the amount of \$8800 to provide architectural, electrical and plumbing design for the Ewing Park Family Restroom project. This amount will be paid from the Park Improvement Fund. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
3. EC Volleyball
A motion was made by Mr. Cragle, seconded by Mr. Celli, to approve the request by EC Volleyball to use the volleyball courts in Ewing Park July 7-Aug 12, Mondays, from 6pm – 10pm. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

Administration/Personnel: (Lamenza, Cragle, Ovia)

1. Summer Employment (Ratify) – Parks
A motion was made by Ms. Lamenza, seconded by Mr. Cragle, to ratify the employment of the following individual for summer work, contingent upon satisfactory background checks/clearances:

Branden Hendrickson	Parks	\$13.00/hr	Criminal History, Driver's History
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Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
2. Approve Quote – DuroLast (Fire Department Roof)
This item was pulled from the agenda.
3. Approve Quote – Phone System at Fire Department
This item was pulled from the agenda.
4. Accept DROP – Sgt. Robert Magnifico
A motion was made by Mr. Celli, seconded by Mr. Cragle, to accept the entrance into the Deferred Retirement Option Plan (DROP) by Sgt. Robert Magnifico, effective 7/15/24. His last day of employment will be 7/15/28. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

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

Blight: (Johnson, Barry, Ovial)

Technology: (Cragle, Williams, Lamenza)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

1. **Employment – Caleb Duda (Firefighter/Paramedic)**
A motion was made by Ms. Williams, seconded by Mr. Cragle, to authorize the hiring of Caleb Duda as a Firefighter/Paramedic at the rate of \$18.00/hour or \$20.50/hour respectively. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

VISITORS

None

MAYOR'S REPORT

MANAGER'S REPORT

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

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

Linda M. List
Borough Secretary