

**ELLWOOD CITY BOROUGH COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING – 6:00 P.M. – AUDITORIUM
October 19, 2020**

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

1. Paul Dici, 925 Skyline Drive – RE: Gun shots
2. Gabrielle Gretch, 610 Route 288 – RE: Military Banners
3. Alice Gretch, 610 Route 288 – RE: Military Banners

COMMUNICATIONS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Regular Meeting 9/21/20

A motion was made by Ms. Dici, seconded by Mr. Cragle, to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held 9/21/20, as submitted. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS:

Pre-Paid Voucher List dated 10/14/20 and List of Vouchers to be Paid dated 10/15/20

A motion was made by Mr. Barry, seconded by Ms. Lamenza, to approve the Pre-Paid Voucher List dated 10/14/20, in the amount of \$98,058.39, and the List of Vouchers to be Paid dated 10/15/20, in the amount of \$1,414,814.58. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

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

BID OPENINGS

ORDINANCES

RESOLUTIONS

1. Submission of 2020 CDBG Application

A motion was made by Mr. Cragle, seconded by Mr. Barry, to adopt a Resolution, as submitted, authorizing the submission of the CDBG 2020 grant application in the amount of \$126,801 for Street Improvements and Program Administration and further to authorize the Council President to sign any and all documents relative to the same. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

2. Distribution of Pension State Aid
A motion was made by Ms. Lamenza, seconded by Mr. Brough, to adopt a Resolution, as submitted, authorizing the distribution of \$226,496.33 received in Pension State Aid for 2020 as follows: Firemen's Pension Plan \$9,847.67; Municipal Pension Plan \$147,715.00; and Police Pension Plan \$68,933.66. Therefore, \$58,378.33 is owed to the Firemen's Plan, \$223,345.00 is owed to the Municipal Employees Plan and a balance of \$408,423.34 is owed to the Police Plan. Further, it is moved that these balances be paid by the General Fund by December 31, 2020. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

3. Appointment – Amy McKinney as Fair Housing Officer & Rebecca Shaffer as Section 504 Housing Officer
A motion was made by Ms. Dici, seconded by Mr. Barry, to adopt the following Resolutions, as submitted:
 - * appointing Amy McKinney as the Fair Housing Officer
 - * appointing Rebecca Shaffer as the Section 504 Housing OfficerVoice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

APPOINTMENTS/RESIGNATIONS

COMMITTEES OF COUNCIL

Finance: (Guerrera, Cragle, Barry)

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

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

1. Advertise Ordinance – Amending Sewer Rates
A motion was made by Mr. Barry, seconded by Ms. Guerrera, to advertise an amendment to the sewer ordinance authorizing the following increase to the sewer rates, effective 1/1/21:

From: \$7.88/1,000 gallons of water AND \$7.50/customer/month
To: \$8.27/1,000 gallons of water AND \$8.27/customer/month

Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

2. Award Bid – Meadowridge/Pinecrest Electric Upgrades Project
A motion was made by Mr. Brough, seconded by Ms. Dici, to award the bid for the Meadowridge/Pinecrest Electric Upgrade Project to TSB, Inc. dba Schultheis Electric in the amount of \$676,700.00 (base bid only). This amount will be paid from the 2017 Bond Issue. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

Parks/Recreation: (Cragle, Lamenza, Brough)

Administration/Personnel: (Lamenza, Cragle, Barry)

1. Accept Resignation – John Maielli (School Crossing Guard)
A motion was made by Mr. Brough, seconded by Ms. Guerrera, to accept the resignation of John Maielli, School Crossing Guard, effective 6/2/20, his last day of employment. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

2. Advertise – School Crossing Guard
A motion was made by Ms. Dici, seconded by Mr. Brough, to advertise for School Crossing Guard. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

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

1. Award Bid - Sale of Real Estate (829 Thalmann Lane)
A motion was made by Mr. Brough, seconded by Mr. Barry, to award the sale of 829 Thalmann Lane (ID# 14-020300) to Ryan Newman for \$100. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
2. Ellwood City Military Banners
This item was pulled from the agenda.

Blight: (Brough, Dici, Guerrera)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

MAYOR'S REPORT

MANAGER'S REPORT

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Trick or Treat – October 31, 5-7pm

ADJOURNMENT

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

Linda M. List
Borough Secretary