

**ELLWOOD CITY BOROUGH COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING – 6:00 P.M. – COUNCIL CHAMBERS
June 20, 2016**

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

President Connie MacDonald called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mr. Celli, Mr. DeCaria, Ms. Dici, Ms. Lamenza, Ms. Mancini, Mr. OviaI, and Mr. MacDonald. Also present: Manager Bob Vilella, Solicitor Ed Leymarie
Absent: Mayor Anthony Court

INVOCATION – Chad Bogdevic, Wurtemberg United Methodist Church

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

VISITORS

1. Earla Marshall, 200 Fountain Avenue – RE: weeds downtown, memorial tree signs in Ewing Park
2. Jeff Krosovic, 307 Entrance Drive – RE: landlord/rental ordinance, street survey, body armor, purchase of a chipper/shredder
3. Paul Dici, 925 Skyline Drove – RE: Grant for EC Family Center for air conditioning

COMMUNICATIONS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Regular Meeting 5/16/16

A motion was made by Ms. Mancini, seconded by Mr. OviaI, to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held 5/16/16, as submitted. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF OUTSTANDING VOUCHERS:

Pre-Paid Voucher List dated 5/31/16 and List of Vouchers to be Paid dated 6/16/16

A motion was made by Mr. OviaI, seconded by Mr. Celli, to approve the Pre-Paid Voucher List dated 5/31/16, in the amount of \$560,628.94, and the List of Vouchers to be Paid dated 6/16/16, in the amount of \$671,735.97. Voice vote. All in favor, with Mr. MacDonald taking exception to Prepaid Voucher #039964 (Brian Damon, Court Time, \$722.66). Motion carried.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

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

BID OPENINGS

ORDINANCES

1. Handicap Parking – Sixth Street
A motion was made by Mr. OviaI, seconded by Ms. Lamenza, to adopt an Ordinance, as submitted, designating handicap parking on Sixth Street (east side) beginning 20 feet from the intersection of Bell Avenue and 6th Street to a point 48 feet north. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS

1. Employee Safety

A motion was made by Mr. Oviai, seconded by Mr. DeCaria, to adopt a Resolution, as submitted, declaring that the Borough Council is committed to protecting the health safety and welfare of all of the Borough employees. The Borough Council strongly recommends and supports the use of all protective gear and equipment provided to the employees by the Borough. The Borough Council also recommends that all Borough employees utilize the protective equipment in the performance of their job duties on a regular basis so as to preserve and protect the health, safety and welfare of all Borough employees. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

APPOINTMENTS/RESIGNATIONS

COMMITTEES OF COUNCIL

Finance: (Mancini, DeCaria, Oviai)

1. Accept the 2015 Audit (Holsinger)

A motion was made by Mr. Celli, seconded by Ms. Dici, to accept the 2015 audit performed by Holsinger. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

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

1. Sherri Greco – Block Party

A motion would be in order to approve the request by Sherri Greco to close the 600 block of Madison Avenue and the 400 block of Foch Street on July 3 from 2-11pm for a block party.

This motion died for the lack of a motion and a second.

2. Purchase 2016 Ford Police Interceptor AWD Vehicle

A motion was made by Ms. Dici, seconded by Mr. Celli, to approve the following:

- the purchase of a 2016 Ford Police Interceptor AWD Vehicle from Milham Ford in the amount of \$26,775
- the installation of equipment by IbisTek in the amount of \$14,040.55

These amounts (Costar pricing) will be paid from the General Capital Reserve Fund. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

3. Advertise – Sale of a 2010 Ford Crown Victoria (Police Cruiser)

A motion was made by Mr. Oviai, seconded by Ms. Lamenza, to advertise for bids for the sale of a 2010 Ford Crown Victoria (VIN 2FABP7BV7AX118349). Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

4. EC Community Enrichment – Summer Concert Series

A motion was made by Mr. Celli, seconded by Mr. Oviai, to approve the request by the EC Community Enrichment to close Beaver Avenue AND Lawrence Avenue from 5th to 6th Street for the summer concert series at the Community Plaza scheduled for June 18 (ratify), 25, July 6, 16, 23, 30 and August 13 & 20. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

Public Works/Utilities: (Celli, Dici, Lamenza)

1. Travel Request – Randy Gatto

A motion was made by Ms. Dici, seconded by Mr. Celli, to approve the travel request of Randy Gatto to attend a Dirt & Gravel Road seminar June 21 & 22 at the Pocono Mountains. The cost is \$180.94 plus meals. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

2. WD Wright Contracting (Traffic Control)

A motion was made by Mr. Oviai, seconded by Mr. Celli, to approve the proposal submitted by WD Wright Contracting to provide traffic control in conjunction with the Rt. 65/Woodside Avenue project. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

Parks/Recreation: (DeCaria, Mancini, Dici)

1. Tour de Cure, EC Girls Softball

A motion was made by Mr. DeCaria, seconded by Ms. Mancini, to approve the following:

- the request by the American Diabetes Association to hold the Pittsburgh Tour de Cure July 17, utilizing the EC Volunteer Fire Department as a rest stop. Bicyclists are expected between 7am and 6pm.
- the request by the EC Girls Softball to use the Women's field at Stiefel Park July 22 – 24 from 9-11pm daily.

Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

2. Purchase – Lawn Mower

A motion was made by Ms. Mancini, seconded by Ms. Dici, to approve the purchase of a 2016 Dixie Chopper zero turn mower from Shulack Farm Equipment in the amount of \$9,800. This amount will be paid from the General Fund. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

Administration/Personnel: (Lamenza, Celli, Oviai)

1. Rescind “Body Armor Policy”

A motion was made by Mr. Celli, seconded by Ms. Lamenza, to rescind the “Body Armor Policy” (#35.0, a.k.a. Order #22.11) adopted by Borough Council on 11/18/13 and the revision to this policy adopted by Borough Council on 12/21/15, as per a Decision (dated 5/10/16) by the PA Labor Relations Board. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

2. Summer Employment – Peyton Caminiti (Parks) & Goldiann Bookamer (Concession Stand)

A motion was made by Ms. Mancini, seconded by Ms. Lamenza, to ratify the hiring of Peyton Caminite (Parks) and Goldiann Bookamer (Concession Stand) for summer employment at the rate of \$8.00/hour each. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

3. Lease – Ellwood City Area Public Library (Parking Lot Maintenance)

This item was pulled from the agenda.

4. Policy – Police Canines/Handlers

This item was pulled from the agenda.

5. Civil Service Rules and Regulations

A motion was made by Mr. Oviai, seconded by Mr. Celli, to adopt the Civil Service Rules and Regulations, as submitted.

A motion to table this item was made by Ms. Mancini, seconded by Ms. Dici. Voice vote; except Mr. Celli. Motion carried, 6-1.

Community Development/Buildings: (Oviai, DeCaria, Mancini)

1. Award Bid – Sale of Circle Way Property

A motion was made by Ms. Mancini, seconded by Mr. Oviai, to award the bid for the sale of the property to the rear of 366 Circle Way to Mark & Tammy Mazzant for \$1,000. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

2. Revolving Loan Application – Posies by Patti
A motion was made by Ms. Mancini, seconded by Mr. Oviai, to approve the Revolving Loan Application submitted by Posies by Patti for \$42,000 for the property located at 328 Sixth Street. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

3. Grant Application Submission
A motion was made by Mr. Oviai, seconded by Ms. Lamenza, to authorize CT Consultants to submit an application to the Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC) for the purpose of preliminary funding for the study of 513-515 Lawrence Avenue building owned by the Borough, the Phase II Streetscape, and the Bell Avenue Stormwater Study. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

MAYOR'S REPORT

MANAGER'S REPORT

VISITORS

1. James Shenesky – RE: Spruce Way property
2. Dave McQuaid – RE: Bike trail
3. Brian Franksain – RE: Block Parties
4. Jeff Krosovic – RE: Bike trail, good idea
5. Stephanie Muntean – RE: Bike trail, good idea
6. Paul Dici – Body Armor

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Public Hearing – proposed Zoning Ordinance & Map – June 27 at 5pm
Clean Up Day – Sat, Sep 17, drop off

ADJOURNMENT

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

Linda M. List
Borough Secretary