

ELLWOOD CITY BOROUGH COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING – 6:00 P.M. – COUNCIL CHAMBERS
January 16, 2017

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

President Connie R. MacDonald called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL

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

Absent: Ms. Mancini & Mayor Anthony Court

INVOCATION – Pastor Nathan Loudan, North Sewickley Presbyterian Church

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PROCLAMATION

April, 2017 – “Pennsylvania 811 Safe Digging Month”

VISITORS

1. Earla Marshall, 200 Fountain Avenue – RE: Respect at meetings

COMMUNICATIONS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Special Meeting 12/6/16, Public Hearing 12/19/16, Regular Meeting 12/19/16

A motion was made by Mr. DeCaria, seconded by Mr. OviaI, to approve the Minutes of the Special Meeting held 12/6/16, Public Hearing held 12/19/16 and the Regular Meeting held 12/19/16, as submitted. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF OUTSTANDING VOUCHERS:

Pre-Paid Voucher List dated 1/6/17 and List of Vouchers to be Paid dated 1/13/17

A motion was made by Ms. Dici, seconded by Mr. Celli, to approve the Pre-Paid Voucher List dated 1/6/17, in the amount of \$225,373.59, and the List of Vouchers to be Paid dated 1/13/17, in the amount of \$330,484.98. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

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

BID OPENINGS

ORDINANCES

1. Off Street Metered Parking (4th & Lawrence)

A motion was made by Mr. OviaI, seconded by Ms. Lamenza, to adopt an ordinance, as submitted, establishing an off-street metered parking lot at 4th Street and Lawrence Avenue. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS

APPOINTMENTS/RESIGNATIONS

COMMITTEES OF COUNCIL

Finance: (Mancini, DeCaria, OviaI)

1. Donation – Lawrence Co. Tourist Promotion Agency, \$100

A motion was made by Mr. DeCaria, seconded by Mr. Celli, to approve the donation in the amount of \$100 to the Lawrence Co. Tourist Promotion Agency. This amount will be paid from the General Fund. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

2. Transfer - \$49,760 to Electric Capital Reserve from Electric Fund
The Electric Usage Sold in 2016 was 49,759,589 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. Celli, seconded by Mr. Oviai, to transfer \$49,760 to the Electric Capital Reserve Fund from the Electric Fund. This entry shall be reflected on the books for 2016. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
3. 2017 Monthly Transfer - \$120,833.33 to General Fund from Electric Fund
A motion was made by Mr. Celli, seconded by Ms. Lamenza, to approve the 2017 monthly transfer in the amount of \$120,833.33 to the General Fund from the Electric Fund. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

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

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

1. Purchase – Pool Pump Rotating Assembly
A motion was made by Mr. Celli, seconded by Mr. Oviai, to approve a pool pump rotating assembly from Process Pump & Seal in the amount of \$6,552.32. This amount will be paid from the General Fund. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

Parks/Recreation: (DeCaria, Mancini, Dici)

1. YMCA Pool Mgmt. Agreement
A motion was made by Mr. DeCaria, seconded by Ms. Lamenza, to approve the 2017 YMCA Swimming Pool Management Agreement. The cost for the YMCA to manage the pool is \$15,000. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
2. Lincoln High School Foreign Language Department (Shelter Request); Nature Camp
A motion was made by Mr. Celli, seconded by Ms. Dici, to approve the following:
 - the request by the Lincoln High School Foreign Language Department to use Shelters #2, 3, 4 and restrooms on April 25 (rain date April 26) from 9:30am – 2:30pm.
 - the request to hold a nature camp in Ewing Park August 7-11 from 7:30am – 4pm and to use shelters #7, #8 and Trefoil Lodge.

Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

Administration/Personnel: (Lamenza, Celli, Oviai)

1. 2017 IRS Mileage Reimbursement Rate – 53.5 Cents/Mile
A motion was made by Ms. Dici, seconded by Ms. Lamenza, to adopt the 2017 IRS Mileage Reimbursement Rate of 53.5 cents per mile. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
2. 2017 Employee Hourly Billing Rates
This item was pulled from the agenda.
3. Advertise Code Enforcement Officer Position
A motion was made by Ms. Dici, seconded by Mr. Oviai, to authorize advertising for a part-time Code Enforcement Officer. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

4. Clerical Position – Bid Award
A motion was made by Ms. Dici, seconded by Ms. Lamenza, to appoint Mary Conglose as a full-time Clerk I under the Clerical Contract at the hourly rate of \$13.84 (80% of full rate, first year), effective 1/17/17. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
5. Employment – Jack Andrews & Brandon Magnifico – PT Firefighters
A motion was made by Mr. DeCaria, seconded by Mr. Oviai, to hire Jack Andrews and Brandon Magnifico as part-time firefighters at the rate of \$11.40/hour each. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

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

1. Exclusion from Beaver County CDBG Program
A motion was made by Mr. Celli, seconded by Mr. Oviai, 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.
2. Advertise Sale of former L&N Building
A motion was made by Mr. Celli, seconded by Ms. Dici, to advertise bids for the sale of the former L&N building located on Jameson Avenue (Ellport Borough). Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

1. Ellwood City Youth Soccer League – Field Request
A motion was made by Mr. Celli, seconded by Mr. Oviai, to approve the request by the EC Youth Soccer League to use the soccer field at Stiefel Park from April 25 – May 30, Mondays & Tuesdays from 4:30pm – 6:30pm (also rain dates, if needed: May 8, May 15, May 22, May 31). Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
2. Livescan – Maintenance Fees
A motion was made by Mr. Celli, seconded by Mr. Oviai, to approve the payment in the amount of \$6800 to the PA Chiefs of Police Assn. for Livescan/CPIN maintenance fees for 2017. This amount will be paid from the General Fund. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
3. Exonerate Borough Taxes (2016)
A motion was made by Mr. Oviai, seconded by Ms. Lamenza, to exonerate Borough property taxes for the year 2016 on the following Borough-owned properties: 1226 ½ 13th St.. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
4. Shelter Request – Lincoln High School Class of 2017
A motion was made by Ms. Dici, seconded by Mr. Celli, to approve the request by the Lincoln High School Class of 2017 to use Shelter 2A/2B on May 24 from 10am – 2pm. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
5. Garvin Boward Beitko – Geotechnical Exploration (Public Works)
A motion was made by Mr. Celli, seconded by Mr. Oviai, to approve the proposal from Garvin Boward Beitko for Geotechnical exploration for the new Public Works Facility in the amount of \$35,750. This amount will be paid from the 2016 Bond Issue. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
6. Garvin Boward Beitko – Geotechnical Exploration (Electric Department)
A motion was made by Mr. Celli, seconded by Mr. Oviai, to approve the proposal from Garvin Boward Beitko for Geotechnical exploration for the new Electric Department Facility in the amount of \$30,880. This amount will be paid from the 2017 Bond Issue. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

7. Franus Architectural Associates

A motion was made by Mr. Celli, seconded by Mr. Oviai, to approve the payment in the amount of \$74,998.68 to Franus Architectural Associates for the architectural services associated with the new Public Works Facility and the new Electric Department Facility. This amount will be paid from the 2016 Bond Issue and the 2017 Bond Issue. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

8. Advertise – Clerk I

A motion was made by Ms. Lamenza, seconded by Mr. Oviai to advertise for a full-time Clerk I position. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

MAYOR’S REPORT

MANAGER’S REPORT

VISITORS

1. Dave McQuaid, 15 Second Street – RE: Exoneration of taxes & callouts billed to violator
2. Joanie Moczan – RE: salaries that are part of a Union Contract

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Christmas tree (live) drop off @ Public Works Garage, now - Jan 31 – Remove all items from the tree

Picnic shelter reservations will begin on the fourth Monday in **February** (Feb. 27) for Borough residents and beginning on the fourth Monday in **March** (Mar. 27) for non-Borough residents

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