

5:45pm – Executive Session - Personnel

**ELLWOOD CITY BOROUGH COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING – 6:00 P.M. – COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
August 20, 2018**

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**MINUTES**

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**CALL TO ORDER**

President Judith Dici called the meeting to order.

**ROLL CALL**

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

Also Present: Solicitor Ed Leymarie and Mayor Anthony Court

**INVOCATION** – Norina Owens, Women of Faith International

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**COMMENDATION**

Colin Smith, Participation in the Jr. Council Person Program

**VISITORS**

1. Paul Dici – 925 Skyline Drive – Re: Acknowledgements for Manager activities
2. Rocky Ierino – 507 Summit Avenue – RE: Consultations with Professions regarding electric issues
3. Brandon Fisher – 515 Foch Street – RE: Transparency and Electric issues

**COMMUNICATIONS**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Regular Meeting 7/16/18 & Special Meeting 7/26/18

A motion was made by Ms. Mancini, seconded by Mr. Brough, to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held 7/16/18 and the Special Meeting held 7/26/18, as submitted. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS:**

Pre-Paid Voucher List dated 8/9/18 and Open Invoices (List of Vouchers to be Paid) dated 8/16/18

A motion was made by Mr. Barry, seconded by Mr. Celli, to approve the Pre-Paid Voucher List dated 8/9/18, in the amount of \$699,107.73, and the Open Invoices (List of Vouchers to be Paid) dated 8/16/18, in the amount of \$277,651.05. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

**DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:**

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

**BID OPENINGS**

**ORDINANCES**

1. Animal Ordinance – Dogs

A motion was made by Mr. Brough, seconded by Ms. Lamenza, to adopt an ordinance, as submitted, amending the animal ordinance, specifically as it relates to dogs. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTIONS**

## **APPOINTMENTS/RESIGNATIONS**

### 1. Appointments – Economic Development Authority

A motion was made by Ms. Lamenza, seconded by Ms. Mancini, to make the following appointment:

#### **Economic Development Authority – 2 vacancies**

Mr. James Barry, 739 Smiley Street 724-752-9239

Term expires: 12/31/18

Mr. Domenic Viccari, 133 Hazel Avenue, 724-752-1568

Term expires: 12/31/19

Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

## **COMMITTEES OF COUNCIL**

### **Finance: (Celli, Guerrero, Lamenza)**

#### 1. Payment – Mahoning Builders

A motion was made by Mr. Celli, seconded by Mr. Barry, to approve the payment in the amount of \$37,904.95 to Mahoning Builders as part of the CDBG 2014/2015 curb ramp program. This amount will be paid from the General Capital Reserve Fund. (\$40,435.05 CDBG 2014/2015 + \$37,904.95 GCR Fund = \$78,340 Project Total). Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

### **Health/Public Safety: (Brough, Barry, Mancini)**

#### 1. Life Chain

A motion was made by Mr. Barry, seconded by Mr. Brough, to approve the request to hold the Life Chain event on October 7 from 2-3pm along Fifth Street and Fountain Avenue. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

### **Public Works/Utilities: (Barry, Lamenza, Mancini)**

#### 1. Franklin Avenue #2 Circuit Project

A motion was made by Mr. Barry, seconded by Ms. Mancini, to authorize Utility Engineers to prepare/advertise bids for the Franklin Avenue #2 Circuit Project. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

#### 2. Amend Agreement - Franklin Twp. Municipal Authority

A motion was made by Mr. Barry, seconded by Ms. Guerrero, to amend the agreement with the Franklin Twp. Municipal Authority relative to the number of sewer tap-ins for the Rt. 288 Sewer Extension Project. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

#### 3. Electric Policy – Annually Establish the Purchase Power Adjustment (PPA)

A motion was made by Mr. Barry, seconded by Ms. Lamenza, to annually review the Purchase Power Adjustment (PPA) and make any recommended changes by Resolution. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

#### 4. Review PA Public Utility Commission (PUC) Requirements – Electric Terminations

A motion was made by Mr. Barry, seconded by Ms. Mancini, to authorize the Solicitor and Manager to review PUC requirements relative to electric terminations. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

#### 5. Electric – Reconnect Fees

A motion was made by Ms. Lamenza, seconded by Ms. Guerrero, to re-establish the electric reconnect fee as follows, effective 1/1/19:

1x – Free (calendar year)

2x and thereafter (calendar year) - \$25

Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

#### 6. Advertise Ordinance – Amend Electric Ordinance (Guarantee of Payment)

A motion was made by Mr. Celli, seconded by Ms. Lamenza, to advertise an amendment to the electric ordinance, specifically “Guarantee of Payment” (due dates, etc.). Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

7. Public Meetings – Electric Issues  
A motion was made by Ms. Guerrero, seconded by Mr. Barry, to establish that twice a year Borough Council have a public meeting to discuss nothing but electric issues and receive public comment. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

**Parks/Recreation: (Mancini, Guerrero, Celli)**

1. EC Little Wolverines  
A motion was made by Mr. Barry, seconded by Ms. Lamenza, to approve the request by the EC Little Wolverines to use the soccer field at Stiefel Park August 1 – November 1, Mondays – Fridays, 5:30pm – 8:30pm. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
2. Fitness Program – Ewing Park  
A motion was made by Mr. Barry, seconded by Mr. Celli, to approve the request by Nathalie Kuffer to hold an 8 week fitness program in Ewing Park Sept. 10 – November 1, Mondays & Wednesdays from 9:15am – 10am and Tuesdays & Thursdays from 12:15pm – 1pm. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
3. Oktoberfest – Ewing Park  
A motion was made by Mr. Brough, seconded by Ms. Mancini, to approve the request by the Wolves Club/Rotary/Lion's to use shelters #2A/2B, #3, #3A and #4 on October 6 from 12-5:00pm for an Oktoberfest celebration featuring homemade brews to raise money for charitable purposes and to suspend Part 10, Chapter 1066, subsection 1066.03 (a) of the Codified Ordinance Book pertaining to the prohibition of alcohol in Ewing Park. This suspension only applies to participants of the Oktoberfest held by the Wolves Club/Rotary/Lion's. Event insurance shall be purchased by the Wolves Club/Rotary/Lion's, naming the Borough of Ellwood City as an additional named insured. All necessary State and County permits shall be in place for this event. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

**Administration/Personnel: (Guerrera, Brough, Barry)**

1. Armstrong Utilities – Pgh Circle Heritage Park Security Camera System  
A motion was made by Mr. Celli, seconded by Mr. Barry, to approve the Agreement with Armstrong Utilities to provide an internet connection for the Pittsburgh Circle Heritage Park Security Camera System. The cost is \$59.95/month. This amount will be paid from the General Fund. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
2. Management Agreement – CS McKee Investment Managers  
A motion was made by Ms. Mancini, seconded by Mr. Barry, to approve the Management Agreement, as submitted, with CS McKee Investment Managers relative to the management of the Borough's Pension Plans.
3. Investment Policy Statement – CS McKee Investment Managers  
A motion was made by Mr. Brough, seconded by Mr. Celli, to approve the Investment Policy Statement, as submitted, with CS McKee Investment Managers relative to the investment of the Borough's Pension Plans monies. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
4. Travel Request – Jude Dici – PMEA Conference  
A motion was made by Mr. Barry, seconded by Ms. Mancini, to approve the travel request by Jude Dici to attend the PMEA Conference Sept 12 – 14 at State College, PA. The cost to attend would be approximately \$256 for hotel accommodations. This amount will be paid from the Electric Fund. Roll call vote. All in favor, except Mr. Brough and Ms. Guerrero. Motion carried, 5-2.

5. Amerikohl Aggregates – Conservation Easement (Stiefel Park)  
A motion was made by Mr. Barry, seconded by Ms. Mancini, to approve the Conservation Easement Agreement with Amerikohl Aggregates, as submitted, for 40 acres at Stiefel Park. The proceeds outlined in the Agreement shall be placed into the Park Improvement Fund. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
6. Advertise Employment – Borough Manager/Treasurer  
A motion was made by Mr. Barry, seconded by Ms. Lamenza, to advertise for a Borough Manager/Treasurer. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
7. Terminate Employment – Mary Conglose  
A motion was made by Mr. Barry, seconded by Ms. Guerrero, to terminate the employment of Mary Conglose as Clerk I in the Utility Office, due to non-work related matters, effective August 31, 2018. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
8. Advertise Employment – Clerk I, Utility Office  
A motion was made by Mr. Barry, seconded by Mr. Brough, to advertise for a full time Clerk I position in the Utility Office. Voice vote. All in favor, except Ms. Mancini. Motion carried, 6-1.

**Community Development/Buildings: (Lamenza, Celli, Brough)**

1. CDBG 2014 & CDBG 2015 Project Revision  
A motion was made by Mr. Celli, seconded by Mr. Brough, to revise the CDBG 2014 & CDBG 2015 project scope of work to change the number of ADA curb ramps to be constructed from 24 to 21 to stay within the project budget. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. Uniform Construction Code/Building Code Official  
A motion was made by Mr. Barry, seconded by Mr. Brough, to award the proposal for Uniform Construction Code/Building Code Official services to Code.Sys Code Consulting. Utilization with Code.Sys Code Consulting will commence after a 60 day written notice to the Borough's current company (Richardson Inspection Services). Roll call vote. Voting against were Mr. Brough, Mr. Celli, Ms. Mancini and Ms. Dici. Voting for were Mr. Barry and Ms. Lamenza. Ms. Guerrero abstained. Motion failed.
2. Remove Shelter at Pittsburgh Circle Heritage Park  
A motion was made by Ms. Guerrero, seconded by Mr. Celli, to remove the shelter at Pittsburgh Circle Heritage Park. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
3. Electric - Set Per Kilowatt Rate  
A motion was made by Mr. Brough, seconded by Ms. Guerrero, to set a price per kilowatt rate for 12 months to be implemented upon a minimum of three (3) months' notice. The total cost of electricity should be no higher per kilowatt hour than it is from the primary local provider (First Energy/Penn Power). Roll call vote. All voted against, except Mr. Brough and Ms. Guerrero. Motion failed, 5-2.

**MAYOR'S REPORT**

**MANAGER'S REPORT**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Trick or Treat – October 31 from 6-8p  
Adult Dance – August 27 from 7-9pm

**ADJOURNMENT**

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

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Personnel

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Linda M. List  
Borough Secretary