

**ELLWOOD CITY BOROUGH COUNCIL**  
**REGULAR MEETING – 6:00 P.M. – COUNCIL CHAMBERS**  
**January 21, 2019**

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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: Manager David Allen, Solicitor Ed Leymarie, and Jr. Councilperson Colin Smith

Absent: Mayor Anthony J. Court

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

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**VISITORS**

None

**COMMUNICATIONS**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Regular Meeting 12/17/18

A motion was made by Ms. Mancini, seconded by Mr. Barry, to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held 12/17/18, as submitted. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS:**

Pre-Paid Voucher List dated 1/15/19 and List of Vouchers to be Paid dated 1/17/19

A motion was made by Mr. Celli, seconded by Ms. Guerrero, to approve the Pre-Paid Voucher List dated 1/15/19, in the amount of \$732,295.20, and the List of Vouchers to be Paid dated 1/17/19, in the amount of \$930,656.37. 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. Industrial Pretreatment – Allowable Industrial Loadings

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

**RESOLUTIONS**

**APPOINTMENTS/RESIGNATIONS**

1. Appointments - Ellwood City Library Board

A motion was made by Mr. Celli, seconded by Ms. Guerrero, to make the following appointment:

ELLWOOD CITY LIBRARY BOARD – 1 vacancy, 1 applicant, 3 Year Term  
Ms. Becky Chestnut, 1033 Beechwood Blvd., 412-303-4595 term expires 12/31/21

Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

## COMMITTEES OF COUNCIL

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

1. Donation – Lawrence Co. Tourist Promotion Agency, \$100  
A motion was made by Ms. Mancini, seconded by Ms. Lamenza, 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. 2019 IRS Mileage Reimbursement Rate – 58 cents per mile  
A motion was made by Ms. Mancini, seconded by Mr. Celli, to adopt the 2019 IRS Mileage Reimbursement Rate of 58 cents per mile. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
3. 2019 Monthly Transfer - \$120,833.33 to General Fund from Electric Fund  
A motion was made by Mr. Barry, seconded by Ms. Lamenza, to approve the 2019 monthly transfer in the amount of \$120,833.33 to the General Fund from the Electric Fund. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
4. Transfer - \$52,024 to Electric Capital Reserve from Electric Fund  
The Electric Usage Sold in 2018 was 52,023,831 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 Ms. Mancini, to transfer \$52,024 to the Electric Capital Reserve Fund from the Electric Fund. This entry shall be reflected on the books for 2018. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

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

1. Relay for Life  
A motion was made by Mr. Brough, seconded by Ms. Mancini, to approve the request by the Ellwood City Relay for Life to close Lawrence Avenue from 5<sup>th</sup> Street to 6<sup>th</sup> Street on Saturday, May 18 from noon to 10pm in order to utilize the Community Plaza for this event. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
2. Advertise Ordinance – DELETE Handicap Parking – Park Avenue  
A motion was made by Mr. Barry, seconded by Mr. Celli, to advertise an amendment to the traffic ordinance deleting handicap parking on Park Avenue (north side) beginning 15' west the prolonged curb line of Cherry Way and Park Avenue to a point 81 feet west. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
3. PA Chiefs of Police Association  
A motion was made by Mr. Brough, seconded by Ms. Lamenza, to approve the payment in the amount of \$6,800 to the PA Chiefs of Police Association for Livescan and CPIN maintenance fees for 2019. This amount will be paid from the General Fund. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
4. Waive Penalties/Interest – Employees of EC Medical Center  
A motion was made by Ms. Guerrero, seconded by Mr. Brough, to approve waiving the penalties and interest on the Borough utility bills for Ellwood City Medical Center employees for the months billed in November 2018, December 2018, and January, 2019. Roll call vote. All in favor, except Mr. Barry, Mr. Celli, and Ms. Mancini. Motion carried, 4-3.

5. Waive Penalties/Interest – EC Medical Center  
A motion was made by Mr. Celli, seconded by Mr. Brough, to approve waiving the penalties and interest on the Borough utility bills for the Ellwood City Medical Center (724 Pershing St. only) for the months billed in January, February, and March 2019.

A motion to table this item was made by Mr. Barry. Roll call vote. All voted against, except Mr. Barry and Ms. Mancini. Motion failed, 5-2.

Roll call vote on the original Motion. All voted in favor, except Ms. Mancini. Motion carried, 6-1.

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

1. Sewer Tap – North Sewickley Twp.  
A motion was made by Ms. Lamenza, seconded by Ms. Guerrera, to approve the following sewer tap in fee:

George Sewall, III, 105 White Fox Ct, Lot 26 – 1 tap, 1 EDU, \$1,000

Voice vote, all in favor. Motion carried.

2. GPI – Replacement of SCADA Control System at WWTP  
A motion was made by Ms. Lamenza, seconded by Mr. Celli, to approve the proposal from GPI to replace the obsolete SCADA Control System at the wastewater treatment plant at a cost of \$74,500. This amount will be paid from the Sewer Plant Reserve Fund. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
3. St. John Electric – Swimming Pool Maintenance  
A motion was made by Ms. Mancini, seconded by Mr. Barry, to approve the payment in the amount of \$12,480 to St. John Electric for swimming pool maintenance. This amount will be paid from the General Fund. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
4. Graziani Construction – Sewer Line Access Road  
A motion was made by Mr. Celli, seconded by Mr. Brough, to approve the proposal from Graziani Construction in the amount of \$32,150 for the construction of an access road to make necessary sewer line repairs along Wampum Avenue. This amount will be paid from the Sewage Collection Fund. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
5. Overhead Door Co. – New Door Addition/Repairs (Electric Department)  
A motion was made by Mr. Barry, seconded by Ms. Lamenza, to approve the proposal from Overhead Door Co. in the amount of \$14,980 for the addition of a new garage door and repairs to the Electric Department building. This amount will be paid from the 2017 Bond Issue. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

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

1. Arts, Crafts, Foods Festival; LHS Boys Tennis; LHS Girls Varsity/JV Softball; Easter Egg Hunt Committee

A motion was made by Mr. Barry, seconded by Ms. Lamenza, to approve the following:

- \* the request by the Arts, Crafts & Foods Festival Committee to use Ewing Park and all facilities including swimming pool, triangle and tennis court parking lots from June 24 – July 1. The actual days of the Festival are June 28, June 29, and June 30
- \* the request by Lincoln High School to use the Ewing Park Tennis Courts for Boys Tennis March 1 – May 30

- \* the request by Lincoln High School to use the Women’s Softball Field at Stiefel Park for Girls Varsity and Jr. High Softball March 1 – June 1
- \* the request by the Ellwood City Egg Hunt Committee to use Ewing Park and all facilities on April 13 (pool parking lot if bad weather).

Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

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

1. **Rescind - Frank B. Taylor Engineering – Engineering Services, Fee Schedule**

A motion was made by Mr. Celli, seconded by Ms. Lamenza, to rescind the motion made at the Regular Council Meeting held 12/17/18 not approving the 2019 fee schedule submitted by Frank B. Taylor Engineering for professional services. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

2. **Frank B. Taylor Engineering – Engineering Services, Fee Schedule**

A motion was made by Ms. Guerrero, seconded by Mr. Barry, to approve the 2019 fee schedule submitted by Frank B. Taylor Engineering for professional services. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

3. **Rescind - 2019 Wage – Non-Union Full-Time (Wastewater Treatment Plant Manager)**

A motion was made by Ms. Guerrero, seconded by Ms. Lamenza, to rescind the motion made at the Regular Council meeting dated 12/17/18 whereby the wage for the Wastewater Treatment Plant Manager was established at \$22.255/hour and the salary at \$46,290, effective with the first pay in January, 2019. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

4. **2019 Wage – Non-Union Full-time (Wastewater Treatment Plant Manager)**

A motion was made by Mr. Brough, seconded by Mr. Barry, to establish the wage for the Wastewater Treatment Plant Manager, effective with the first pay in January, 2019 as follows:

Wastewater Treatment Plant Manager	\$31.114/hr.	\$46,920 salary
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Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

5. **Advertise Employment – Playground Program/Concession Stand Coordinator**

A motion was made by Ms. Guerrero, seconded by Mr. Celli, to advertise for a Playground Program/Concession Stand Coordinator. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

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

1. **Exclusion from Beaver County CDBG Program**

A motion was made by Ms. Mancini, seconded by Ms. Lamenza, 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. **CDBG 2015 Budget Revision**

A motion was made by Mr. Barry, seconded by Mr. Celli, to reallocate \$19,697 from Crescent Avenue from 12<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup> Street ADA ramp, paving, stormwater improvement project to Cedar Street from Todd Avenue to Line Avenue ADA ramp, paving, stormwater improvement project as it relates to the CDBG 2015 project. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

3. Zoning Ordinance Amendment – Creation of a Hospital/Medical District  
A motion was made by Ms. Mancini, seconded by Mr. Brough, to authorize sending the Borough's proposed Zoning Ordinance amendment creating a "Hospital/Medical District" to the Lawrence County and Ellwood City Planning Commissions for review and comment. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

1. Builder's Risk Insurance – Public Works Bldg.  
A motion was made by Mr. Celli, seconded by Ms. Lamenza, to approve the quote from BRIT for Builder's Risk Insurance for the construction of the new Public Works garage (105 Sixth Street) in the amount of \$5,195. This amount will be paid from the 2016 Bond Issue. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
2. Permit Parking Lot – Bell Avenue  
A motion was made by Ms. Guerrero, seconded by Ms. Lamenza, to assign two (2) parking spaces to police officer's personal vehicles and one (1) to a Borough employee who currently utilizes the space. The cost to park in these spaces is \$13.00 per month. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

#### **MAYOR'S REPORT**

#### **MANAGER'S REPORT**

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Christmas tree (live) drop off @ parking lot of Women's Softball field (upper field) Stiefel Park, now - Jan 31 – Remove all items from the tree  
Picnic shelter reservations will begin on the fourth Monday in **February** (Feb. 25) for Borough residents and beginning on the fourth Monday in **March** (Mar. 25) for non-Borough residents

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

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

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Linda M. List  
Borough Secretary