

**5:30pm – Part- Time Police Interview**

**5:45pm – Public Hearing – Intermunicipal Transfer of Liquor License (Dave’s Hometown Shop n Save)**

**5:55pm – Executive Session – Police Personnel**

**ELLWOOD CITY BOROUGH COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING – 6:00 P.M. – COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
September 20, 2021**

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**MINUTES**

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**CALL TO ORDER**

President George Celli called the meeting to order.

**ROLL CALL**

Present: Mr. Barry, Mr. Brough, Mr. Cragle, Ms. Lamenza, Mr. Ovial, and Mr. Celli  
Also Present: Manager David Allen, Mayor Anthony Court and Solicitor Ed Leymarie  
Absent: Ms. Dici

**INVOCATION** – Tod Custer – Christ Presbyterian Church

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**VISITORS**

None

**COMMUNICATIONS**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Regular Meeting 8/16/21

A motion was made by Mr. Brough, seconded by Mr. Barry, to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held 8/16/21, as submitted. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS:**

Pre-Paid Voucher List dated 9/14/21 and List of Vouchers to be Paid dated 9/16/21

A motion was made by Ms. Lamenza, seconded by Mr. Ovial, to approve the Pre-Paid Voucher List dated 9/14/21, in the amount of \$676,918.79, and the List of Vouchers to be Paid dated 9/16/21, in the amount of \$628,220.65. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

**DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:**

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

**BID OPENINGS**

**ORDINANCES**

1. Prohibiting the Use of Engine Break Retarders

A motion was made by Mr. Cragle, seconded by Mr. Barry, to adopt an ordinance, as submitted, prohibiting the use of engine break retarders on motor vehicles on Woodside Avenue (SR65) from Pershing Street to Mt. Vernon Drive. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTIONS**

1. Intermunicipal Transfer of Restaurant Liquor License (Dave’s Hometown Market)

A motion was made by Ms. Lamenza, seconded by Mr. Ovial, to adopt a Resolution, as submitted, approving the intermunicipal transfer of restaurant liquor license # R1673 to Dave’s Hometown Market, LLC. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

2. Ambulance Companies Servicing the Borough of Ellwood City  
A motion was made by Mr. Cragle, seconded by Mr. Barry, to adopt a Resolution, as submitted, recognizing certain ambulance companies (McGonigle Ambulance Service, Medevac Ambulance Services, and Noga Ambulance Services) to service the Borough of Ellwood City. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
3. Confirming Receipt of 2022 Minimum Municipal Obligation (MMO)  
A motion was made by Ms. Lamenza, seconded by Mr. Ovial, to adopt a Resolution, as submitted, confirming receipt of the 2022 Minimum Municipal Obligation (MMO) by September 30, 2021. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

## **APPOINTMENTS/RESIGNATIONS**

### **COMMITTEES OF COUNCIL**

#### **Finance: (Ovial, Cragle, Barry)**

1. Refinancing of 2016 & 2017 Bond Issue  
A motion was made by Mr. Ovial, seconded by Ms. Lamenza, to refinance the 2016 & 2017 Bond Issues with PNC. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

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

1. EC Parade Committee – Halloween Parade  
A motion was made by Mr. Cragle, seconded by Mr. Ovial, to approve the request by the EC Parade Committee to hold the Halloween Parade October 23 beginning at 3:30pm. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
2. Street Address Change  
A motion was made by Mr. Barry, seconded by Mr. Brough, to accept the following street address change as recommended by Lawrence County:

Current Address:  
501 Union Street

Updated Address:  
139 Hazen Avenue, Apt #2

Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

3. Award Bid – Traffic Cameras  
A motion was made by Mr. Barry, seconded by Ms. Lamenza, to award the bid for the purchase of traffic cameras to Security Consulting Solutions, Inc. at the cost of \$26,071.50. This amount will be paid from the General Fund.
4. Elek Brown Memorial Cornhole Tournament  
A motion was made by Mr. Cragle, seconded by Mr. Ovial, to close Cirelli Way from 6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Street from 10am – 8pm on October 9 for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Elek Brown Memorial Cornhole Tournament. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

#### **Public Works/Utilities: (Barry, Cragle, Ovial)**

1. Proposal - Valley Waste Service (Annual Clean-up)  
A motion was made by Mr. Barry, seconded by Ms. Lamenza, to approve the proposal from Valley Waste Service to provide six (6) – 30 yard dumpsters at \$390 each for the purpose of a “drop off” clean-up program. This amount will be paid from the Recycling Fund. To offset the cost, residents would pay \$10.00 per passenger vehicle load per trip (2 trips max) or have the option (for those age 65 or disabled) to pay \$35.00 to have their items picked up curbside, but still limited to a passenger vehicle load. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

2. Approve Quote – Stephenson Equipment  
A motion was made by Mr. Barry, seconded by Mr. Cragle, to approve the quote from Stephenson Equipment in the amount of \$5021.52 for 15 snow plow cutting edges. This amount will be paid from the General Fund. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

**Parks/Recreation: (Cragle, Lamenza, Brough)**

1. Field Request - ECABF  
A motion was made by Mr. Barry, seconded by Mr. Cragle, to approve the request by the ECABF to use the Men's Field at Stiefel Park on Tuesdays (Aug 31, Sep 7, 14, 21, 28 and Oct 5). Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

**Administration/Personnel: (Lamenza, Cragle, Barry)**

1. Employment – Public Work (Part-Time)  
A motion was made by Mr. Ovia, seconded by Mr. Cragle, to approve the employment of Michael Bellissimo and David Daufen as part-time employees for the Public Works Department. The rate of pay for each employee is \$15.00/hour. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
2. Employment – Patrolman (Part-Time)  
A motion would be in order to approve the employment of Robert Bird as a Part-time Patrolman. The rate of pay is \$19.88/hour.
3. Police Contract (1/1/21 -12/31/24)  
A motion was made by Mr. Barry, seconded by Mr. Ovia, to approve the Police Contract retroactive to 1/1/21 – 12/31/24, as submitted. Roll call vote. All in favor, except Mr. Celli. Motion carried, 5-1.
4. Promotion – Sergeant  
A motion would be in order to approve the promotion of \_\_\_\_\_ to Sergeant, effective \_\_\_\_\_. The new hourly base rate will be \$\_\_\_\_\_.

A motion to table this item for (6) six months (March 2022) was made by Ms. Lamenza, seconded by Mr. Barry. Roll call vote. All in favor, except Mr. Brough, Mr. Cragle. Motion carried, 4-2.

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

1. Subdivision – Joe DeSanzo (Bluff Avenue)  
A motion was made by Mr. Barry, seconded by Mr. Ovia, to approve the subdivision of Joe DeSanzo (Bluff Avenue) for Parcel #14-069100 to be divided into 3 separate lots. Lot #1 will be reduced to 25.18 acres, lot #2 will consist of .71 acres, and lot #3 will consist of 3.05 acres, with the annotation that, as indicated by the Lawrence County Planning Commission, lot #2 does not have frontage on a public access and may adversely affect future development of this property. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
2. Sewer Tap – North Sewickley Twp.  
A motion was made by Mr. Barry, seconded by Ms. Lamenza, to approve the following sewer tap in fee:

Katherine Miller, 108 White Fox Court, Unit #28 – 1 tap, 1 EDU, \$1,000

Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

3. Request for Proposals (RFP) - Comprehensive Plan  
A motion was made by Mr. Barry, seconded by Ms. Lamenza, to request proposals from qualified firms to develop an updated Comprehensive Plan. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

**Blight: (Brough, Dici, Ovia)**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**MAYOR'S REPORT**

**MANAGER'S REPORT**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Trick or Treat will be held Saturday, October 30 from 4-6pm

**ADJOURNMENT**

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

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Linda M. List  
Borough Secretary