

**ELLWOOD CITY BOROUGH COUNCIL**  
**REGULAR MEETING – 6:00 P.M. – COUNCIL CHAMBERS**  
**April 16, 2018**

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**MINUTES**

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**CALL TO ORDER**

Vice-President Jim Barry called the meeting to order.

**ROLL CALL**

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

Also Present: Solicitor Ed Leymarie, Mayor Anthony Court, and Jr. Councilperson Colin Smith

Absent: Ms. Dici

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

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**VISITORS**

1. Mary Ann Viccari, 133 Hazel Avenue – RE: HB 2030
2. Dom Viccari, 133 Hazel Avenue – RE: HB 2030
3. Al Torrence, 640 Fourth Street, Beaver, PA – RE: Beechwood Blvd. name change
4. Kathy Brenner, 212 Crescent Avenue – RE: Wheelchair swing
5. Earla Marshall, 200 Fountain Avenue – RE: Movie nights in Ewing Park

**COMMUNICATIONS**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Regular Meeting 3/19/18

A motion was made by Ms. Lamenza, seconded by Ms. Mancini, to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held 3/19/18, as submitted. Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS:**

Pre-Paid Voucher List dated 4/9/18 and Open Invoices (List of Vouchers to be Paid) dated 4/12/18

A motion was made by Ms. Lamenza, seconded by Ms. Mancini, to approve the Pre-Paid Voucher List dated 4/9/18, in the amount of \$267,949.37, and the Open Invoices (List of Vouchers to be Paid) dated 4/12/18, in the amount of \$121,364.22. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

**DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:**

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

**BID OPENINGS**

**ORDINANCES**

1. No Parking – Ellwood Avenue

A motion was made by Mr. Brough, seconded by Ms. Guerrero, to adopt an Ordinance, as submitted, amending the traffic ordinance designating No Parking on Ellwood Avenue (south side) from College Street to North Street. Roll call vote. All in favor, except Mr. Celli. Motion carried, 5-1.

**RESOLUTIONS**

1. Opposing HB1405 & HB 2030

A motion was made by Mr. Celli, seconded by Ms. Lamenza, to adopt a Resolution, as submitted, opposing HB 1405 and HB 2030 which regulates the use and charge for electricity for Borough electric providers. Roll call vote. All in favor, except Mr. Brough and Ms. Guerrero. Motion carried, 4-2.

**APPOINTMENTS/RESIGNATIONS**

## COMMITTEES OF COUNCIL

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

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

1. Rescind Motion – Relay for Life \$500  
A motion was made by Mr. Celli, seconded by Ms. Lamenza, to rescind the motion made at the Regular Council Meeting held 2/19/18 to “require the Relay for Life Committee to reimburse the Borough \$550 for costs associated with the event”. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
  
2. Halloween Parade; Christmas Parade  
A motion was made by Ms. Mancini, seconded by Mr. Celli, to approve the following:
  - the request by the EC Parade Committee to hold the Halloween Parade October 27 beginning at 3:30pm
  - the request by the EC Parade Committee to hold the Christmas Parade December 1 at 3:30pmRoll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
  
3. Controlled Burn – Merit Book  
A motion was made by Mr. Brough, seconded by Ms. Mancini, to authorize the Ellwood City Volunteer Fire Department to provide a controlled burn of the area located behind the backstop at Merit Book Park. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

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

1. Ratify - Storm Sewer Repair – 105 6<sup>th</sup> Street  
A motion was made by Mr. Celli, seconded by Ms. Mancini, to ratify the contract with National Gunitite (Johnstown, PA) to repair a 48” concrete storm sewer pipe at 105 6<sup>th</sup> Street at a cost of \$78,040 (Costar pricing). This amount will be paid from the 2016 Bond Issue. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
  
2. Purchase – Portable Meter Tester  
A motion was made by Ms. Mancini, seconded by Ms. Lamenza, to approve the purchase of a portable meter tester from Powermetrix in the amount of \$19,380. This amount will be paid from the 2017 Bond issue. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
  
3. Purchase - CT Tester  
A motion was made by Mr. Celli, seconded by Mr. Brough, to purchase a CT tester (electric) from Tesco in the amount of \$11,405.77. This amount will be paid from the 2017 Bond Issue. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

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

1. Boy Scout Troop #806, EC Fastpitch, LHS Class of 2018, Christmas in the Park  
A motion was made by Ms. Mancini, seconded by Mr. Brough, to approve the following:
  - the request by the Boy Scout Troop #806 to camp at shelter #8 on April 20 & 21 during the Earth Day Festivities and to have a small camp fire
  - the request by the EC Fastpitch to use Merit Book June 1 – Sept 30, Sundays through Saturdays from 4-8pm and to use the Women’s field at Stiefel Park June 1 – September 30, Sundays – Saturdays from 4-10pm

- the request by the Lincoln High School Class of 2018 to use Shelter 2A/2B on May 23 from 10-2pm
- the request by the Christmas in the Park Committee to use Ewing Park November 1 – January 5 (actual days December 1-27) with the following stipulations: All displays will be of a holiday theme. No displays of a personal nature or the promoting of a particular organization will be permitted, except for the name of the company/organization sponsoring the display. All displays erected by individuals or organizations must be taken down by the second Saturday in January following the Christmas in the Park event. Failure to comply with the above will result in Borough employees removing and disposing of the displays immediately.

Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

2. Advertise Ordinance – Reservations for Park Shelters  
A motion was made by Mr. Celli, seconded by Mr. Brough, to advertise an amendment to the Park Ordinance, specifically allowing for the reservations to begin April 1. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

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

1. Employment (Ratify) – Joshua Riley, Part Time Firefighter  
A motion was made by Ms. Lamenza, seconded by Ms. Mancini, to ratify the employment of Joshua Riley as a part-time firefighter effective 4/8/18. The rate of pay is \$15.00/hour. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
2. Employment – Cory Mollenkopf (Parks)  
A motion was made by Ms. Mancini, seconded by Mr. Brough, to approve the employment of Cory Mollenkopf for summer (Park) employment. The rate of pay is \$9.00/hour. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

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

1. Schedule Public Hearing – Zoning Ordinance Amendments/Clarifications  
A motion was made by Mr. Brough, seconded by Ms. Lamenza, to schedule a Public Hearing for Monday, May 14 at 5:30pm relative to the Zoning Ordinance Amendments/Clarifications. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. Lutz, Briggs, Schultz & Assoc. – Re-side existing stucco Walls (EC Fire Station)  
A motion was made by Mr. Brough, seconded by Ms. Guerrera, to approve the proposal from Lutz, Briggs, Schultz & Associates dated 4/10/18 to re-side the existing stucco walls at the Ellwood City Fire Station in the amount of \$19,498. This amount will be paid from the General Capital Reserve Fund. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
2. EC Kitchen Cabinet – Movie Nights  
A motion was made by Ms. Lamenza, seconded by Mr. Celli, to approve the request by the EC Kitchen Cabinet to use the Folino Stage in Ewing Park for movie nights June 9, July 14, and August 11 beginning at 7pm for set up (movies begin at dusk – approx. 9pm). Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.
3. Cohen & Grigsby – Public Affairs Representation  
A motion was made by Ms. Mancini, seconded by Mr. Celli to retain the services of Robert Vescio of the law firm Cohen & Grigsby (Pittsburgh, PA) to assist in the defeat and non-passage of HB 2030, which only affects the Borough of Ellwood City and creates a need for a tax increase equal to \$1.4 million to the taxpayers of Ellwood City. The cost is \$7500/month for the next three (3) months. This amount will be paid from the General Fund. Roll call vote. All in favor, except Mr. Brough and Ms. Guerrera. Motion carried, 4-2.

**MAYOR’S REPORT**

**MANAGER’S REPORT**

**VISITORS**

1. Mary Ann Viccari, 133 Hazel Avenue – RE: HB 2030
2. Dom Viccari, 133 Hazel Avenue – RE: HB 2030
3. Brian Bush – RE: transfer of \$1.4 million from Electric Fund to General Fund
4. Earla Marshall – 200 Fountain Avenue – RE: Person who sells electric
5. Dave McQuaid – RE: Hope Festival & local company needs flaggers

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

EC Area Chamber of Commerce – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Walking Tour – May 15 from 9-2pm

**ADJOURNMENT**

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

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Linda M. List  
Borough Secretary