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Council President Schaefer called the Meeting of the Council of the Borough of Edgewood to order on Monday, June 2, 2008 at 7:30 PM in the Municipal Building.

ROLL CALL

Borough Manager Kurt Ferguson called the roll and the following responded: Ms. McDonald, Mr. Harding, Mr. Reynolds (arrived at 7:37 PM), Mr. Szefi, Ms. Schaefer.

Ms. Pryce and Mr. Hellett were absent.

Mayor Jean O. Davin and Solicitor W. Timothy Barry were present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR

Former Mayor Pickering requested that the following statement be included in the minutes of tonight's meeting:

"Madame President, Madame Mayor and members of Edgewood Borough Council: Ten years ago, the Borough looked for someone to come forward and lead our beautification efforts and planting at the Borough entrance by Greendale Avenue. I was serving as Mayor at the time.

We were most grateful when Greer Mulholland and her husband, Gary, came forward to lead this effort. They are residents of Savannah Avenue.

Now, after ten (10) years, they have determined that it is time for someone else to come forward and take over this leadership. I trust that each of you will assist in helping to find someone to lead this important effort.

Greer and Gary must be commended for their work:

- ✓ It benefits all of us as well as those "passing through"
- ✓ They encouraged residents of all ages to participate in this valuable hands on, hands in the dirt day
- ✓ All were rewarded on the day of planting with a delicious and filling luncheon at the Mulholland home—at their own expense.

As leaders, Greer and Gary Mulholland showed how to make our entrance to the Borough—or the entrance to the Parkway—a great labor of fun and joy.

I commend them for their work and trust that you will, as well.

Further, I ask that these remarks be included in the minutes of this meeting and shared with this couple for whom we all should be most grateful."

AUTHORIZATION TO PAY BILLS

M-1 Ms. McDonald moved to authorize the payment of bills, for goods and services received by the Borough, having been reviewed and approved by Council in the amount of \$31,167.29. Second by Mr. Harding.

DISCUSSION: None.

Upon roll call vote, the following was recorded: Ms. McDonald, Mr. Harding, Mr. Reynolds, Mr. Szefti, Ms. Schaefer voted yes. **Motion carried.**

M-2 Ms. McDonald moved to authorize the payment of a property tax refund in the amount of \$215.41, as reviewed and designated by the Tax Collector, to John Klimchak for 143 Race Street. Second by Mr. Harding.

DISCUSSION: None.

Upon roll call vote, the following was recorded: Ms. McDonald, Mr. Harding, Mr. Reynolds, Mr. Szefti, Ms. Schaefer voted yes. **Motion carried.**

M-3 Ms. McDonald moved to approve the street paving bid of A. Folino Construction, Inc. of \$183,664.50 for milling, paving and sewer work with specific locations to be listed in the minutes of the meeting pending submittal of the required insurance certificates, bonding information, execution of agreement and approval of the same by the Borough Solicitor. Second by Mr. Harding.

STREET	FROM	TO
Gordon Street	Edgewood Avenue	Chestnut Street
Hawthorne Street	Locust Street	Walnut Street
325' on Edgewood Avenue	Elm Street	(Towards) Edgewood Avenue Bridge
Paving/storm sewer work	On Mifflin Avenue	
Paving/storm sewer work	On Railroad Alley	

DISCUSSION: Mr. Barry asked that the record reflect that he has reviewed the information submitted by Lennon Smith Souleret Engineers. Mr. Barry stated to Mr. Ferguson that he understood that the Borough is awarding Contract A, but stated that the motion did not need to be changed.

Upon roll call vote, the following was recorded: Ms. McDonald, Mr. Harding, Mr. Reynolds, Mr. Szefti, Ms. Schaefer voted yes. **Motion carried.**

- M-4** Ms. McDonald moved to accept the resignation of Council member Nancy Davis Pryce. Second by Mr. Harding.

DISCUSSION: None.

Upon roll call vote, the following was recorded: Ms. McDonald, Mr. Harding, Mr. Reynolds, Mr. Szefi, Ms. Schaefer voted yes. **Motion carried.**

- M-5** Ms. McDonald moved to authorize the Borough Manager to advertise for the position of Councilperson to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Nancy Davis Pryce with a submission deadline of June 13, 2008. Second by Mr. Harding.

DISCUSSION: Mr. Reynolds asked for clarification of the date.

Upon roll call vote, the following was recorded: Ms. McDonald, Mr. Harding, Mr. Reynolds, Mr. Szefi, Ms. Schaefer voted yes. **Motion carried.**

- M-6** Mr. Szefi read Resolution 2008-19 and asked for its immediate adoption. Second by Ms. McDonald.

BOROUGH OF EDGEWOOD

RESOLUTION 2008-19

WHEREAS, the Borough of Edgewood provides a non-uniformed pension plan for its full-time employees; and

WHEREAS, the employees contribute a portion of their pay to this pension plan; and

WHEREAS, the employment may be terminated before an employee is vested in the plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Edgewood Borough non-uniformed pension plan will refund Mia Fuqua her personal contributions made during her employment.

ADOPTED THIS THE 2nd day of June 2008 at the Regular Meeting of the Council of the Borough of Edgewood.

ATTEST:

Borough Secretary

Council President

VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

Mr. Halle reported that there were thirteen (13) fire calls, with half of the incidents occurring on the Parkway. The Department is still working with 911 with regard to giving calls to Wilkinsburg, and Mr. Reynolds has discussed this with the Fire Chief, according to Mr. Halle.

The awardee for the member of the month is Mr. Rauenzahn for his attendance to the vehicle rescue course. Vehicle rescue classes are held Tuesday and Thursday and all day Saturday. Mr. Halle stated that the classes this week will cover hydraulic tools and the instructors are from Allegheny County.

Mr. Halle said that preparations are being made for Community Day and Movie Night and the junior firefighters will be involved.

DISCUSSION: None.

WATER AUTHORITY REPORT

Mr. Fuller stated that the Wilkinsburg-Penn Joint Water Authority Board meeting covered the pension plan, which historically dealt in annuities.

He said that the plans for Lowe's and Wal-Mart are going slow and the main project being worked on is along Greensburg Pike.

DISCUSSION: Ms. Schaefer thanked Mr. Fuller for his participation.

RECREATION REPORT

Mr. Ferguson said that Movie Night will start June 9, 2008 at 8:30 PM and will feature Spiderman III. T-ball is due to start June 12, 2008 and a volunteer will be coaching the teams, ages five and six, according to Mr. Ferguson. Currently, there are twenty (20) children registered. There will be seven to eight weeks of games.

PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT

Mr. Szefi said the Committee did not meet and there was no report.

DISCUSSION: None.

COG REPORT

Mr. Hellett was absent and there was no report available.

DISCUSSION: None.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Mr. Barry stated that everything is in proper form and he had no separate report.

DISCUSSION: None.

BOROUGH MANAGER'S REPORT

For the state contract on copiers, Mr. Ferguson indicated that he received no callbacks from the state for obtaining information which the Solicitor requested. Instead, the information was furnished by the company which got the award. Mr. Ferguson said an update will be supplied in the Friday packet and the information on the copiers will be presented at the June 16, 2008 meeting.

DISCUSSION: Based upon the information given by Mr. Ferguson, and the fact that Ikon (copier supplier) has an agreement with the Commonwealth, Mr. Barry felt that there is no reason that the Borough's order cannot be piggybacked, since a joint agreement currently exists. He stated that the Ikon agreement is up at the end of June.

A Port Authority Transit/Edgewood Avenue meeting will be held during the week of June 9, 2008.

Mr. Ferguson explained, regarding street paving, that PennDot will be working on all the bridges and have completed one, using a process called blending. Storm sewer work will also be done.

Mayor Davin informed Council that Sgt. Hockenberry contacted PennDot this date regarding the Brinton Road bridge and was told that this will be a month long closure. The Mayor asked if there is any additional paving the Borough might get them to do, such as down to Dewey.

Mr. Ferguson said that PennDot inquired about jurisdiction at Brinton. They stated that access to the Parkway would still be available and the area will be posted.

Ms. Schaefer stressed the importance of making sure that the Borough knows the route of the detour.

Mr. Ferguson indicated that he has been meeting with PennDot and Sgt. Hockenberry has been going to meetings regarding Brinton Road. Mr. Ferguson stated he is certain the Sergeant knows the impact of this project.

Mayor Davin stated the contract for this work will not be awarded until July.

Mr. Ferguson outlined the problem being encountered is that this might affect Community Day and the parade.

Mr. Reynolds had a question about what jurisdiction this area falls in and Mr. Ferguson answered Braddock Hills.

NEW BUSINESS

Ms. McDonald rescheduled the deadline for Junior Councilperson letters of interest to July 15, 2008 following a consensus of Council. She also informed Council that she will be out of town the last half of June.

Mayor Davin questioned whether the Junior Councilperson Proclamation should be read, and it was decided that this should wait.

ADJOURNMENT

M-7 Ms. McDonald moved, and it was seconded by Mr. Harding, to adjourn the meeting at 7:57 PM.

DISCUSSION: None.

Upon roll call vote, the following was recorded: Ms. McDonald, Mr. Harding, Mr. Reynolds, Mr. Szefi, Ms. Schaefer voted yes. **Motion carried.**

Kurt Ferguson
Borough Manager