

**BOROUGH OF EDGEWOOD
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APRIL 2, 2012**

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MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING OF APRIL 2, 2012

President Schaefer called the Meeting of the Borough of Edgewood to order at 7:34 PM in the Municipal Building.

ROLL CALL

Upon roll call vote the following responded: Mr. Bright, Mr. Wainright, Mr. Wilson, Ms. Gleba, Mr. Fuller, and Ms. Schaefer. Dr. Wallace arrived at 8:39 PM.

Solicitor Barry and Anna Evashavik, the Junior Councilperson, were also present.

PLEDGE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR

None

AUTHORIZATION TO PAY BILLS

M-1 Ms. Gleba moved to authorize the payment of bills, for goods and services received by the Borough, having been reviewed and approved by the General Government Committee in the amount of \$72,319.39 from the General Fund and \$4,633.93 from the Sewer Fund for a total of \$76,953.32 . Second by Mr. Wilson.

DISCUSSION: None.

The aye vote on the motion was unanimous. **Motion carried.**

COMMITTEE ACTION

M-2 Mr. Wilson moved to increase the hourly pay rate of Department of Public Works employee Bruce Ruffing, having successfully passed the Class B Driver's license testing, by \$0.50 per hour starting April 2, 2012. Second by Mr. Wainright.

DISCUSSION: Mr. Wilson said Mr. Ruffing would have more responsibility, be driving an expensive piece of equipment, and volunteered to receive the training.

The aye vote on the motion was unanimous. **Motion carried.**

M-3 Mr. Fuller moved to approve Edgewood Police Department's request to hold a car cruise at Koenig Field on June 16, 2012. Second by Ms. Gleba.

DISCUSSION: Chief Payne stated that the car cruise would include various police agencies vehicles from around Allegheny County. Mr. Fuller stated that the police officers had secured donations in order to finance the event. Solicitor Barry clarified that the cars would be displayed, and not driven.

The aye vote on the motion was unanimous. **Motion carried.**

- M-4 Mr. Wilson moved to authorize Jason Stanton of Lennon, Smith, Souleret Engineering, Inc. to prepare bid documents and advertise the project as outlined in the 2012 Sewer Repair Scope dated March 14, 2012.
Second by Mr. Wainright.
DISCUSSION: None

The aye vote on the motion was unanimous. Motion carried.

BUSINESS MEETING

VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

Mr. Halle reported that the Fire Department responded to 37 calls in the month of March. He also stated that the glass in the fire garage door was cracking. Manager Cecconi said he would look into the matter.

RECREATION REPORT

Manager Cecconi stated that the Easter Egg Hunt in Koenig Field on March 31, 2012 was a success, with 3,700 eggs being collected by children. President Schaefer thanked all those who volunteered at the event. Manager Cecconi said the Borough was now accepting registration for T-ball and Girls' Softball, and that the baseball league with the 14th Ward was working well.

WATER AUTHORITY REPORT- Mr. Fuller

Mr. Fuller said the Water Authority received the results of the annual audit, and he discussed the highlights. He said the Water Authority would be experimenting with monthly billings in Pitcairn. Mr. Fuller said the Authority was searching for a new manager.

PLANNING COMMISSION

Manager Cecconi said the Planning Commission met on Tuesday, March 27th and discussed the Borough's Joint Comprehensive Plan. Members also worked on definitions for a zoning ordinance. Manager Cecconi also said the Commission had been presented with a model sidewalk café ordinance and would have a recommendation for Council at the April meeting.

COG REPORT

Mr. Wilson said ALOM had a meeting, and discussed ALCOSAN, public safety cameras, the cost of compliance, and the Allegheny County property reassessments.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Solicitor Barry reported that he had issued a litigation report to the Borough's auditors. He stated that the Borough received an Order of the Court for Parcel D, and was free and clear to proceed with a public sale of the property. Solicitor Barry said that property owners' pending appeals for prior years' reassessments who also filed an appeal for the 2013 reassessment would have the appeals combined into one hearing. He also stated that if a home owner had a prior appeal pending, but did not apply for an appeal for 2013, the hearing then cannot deal with the new assessment. Solicitor Barry also stated the new bidding threshold for 2012 was \$18,500.

BOROUGH MANAGER'S REPORT

Manager Cecconi said 12 letters were sent to homeowners on East End Avenue whose sidewalks did not comply with the Borough's ordinances, and that more would be sent out this week. He stated the Regent Square Civic

Association planted trees on March 31, 2012, and that one tree they removed on W. Hutchinson had been relocated to Memorial Park. Manager Cecconi said the Borough Building's heating system repair work was completed.

NEW BUSINESS

President Schaefer stated that a Community Development Committee Meeting would take place at 11:00 AM on April 10, 2012 in the Borough Building, and that the next Council meeting would be on April 16, 2012.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Executive Session was called at 8:17 PM to discuss personnel and litigation matters. The session ended at 8:49 PM.

ADJOURNMENT

M-5 It was moved by Mr. Fuller and seconded by Ms. Gleba to adjourn at 8:50 PM.

DISCUSSION: None.

The aye vote on the motion was unanimous. **Motion carried.** Meeting adjourned.



Warren Cecconi
Borough Manager