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**MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD NOVEMBER 4, 2019**

President Fuller called the meeting of the Borough of Edgewood to order at 7:30 pm in the Municipal Building.

**ROLL CALL**

Upon roll call, the following responded: Mr. Bright, Mr. Love, Mr. O'Donnell, Dr. Petrolla and Mr. Fuller. Councilmembers Wallace and Wainright were absent along with Mayor Wilson. Greg Evashavik, Esq. filled in for Solicitor Tim Barry who was absent.

**PLEDGE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR:**

Merrill Marcovsky (204 Dewey) addressed council regarding continued improvements to Memorial Park. She pointed out that she was not speaking on behalf of the Shade Tree Committee but as a resident volunteer who wants to continue improving the park. She presented council with a budget request for 2020 that would be used to plant additional flowers and hire Nine Mile Run to maintain the site.

Erin Pierce from CC Mellor Library addressed council regarding the library's 2020 funding request. She spoke about the library's new "fine free" initiative and how funding has remained steady for several years while expenses increased. She thanked council for their generous contribution and asked they consider an increase for 2020.

Patrick McArdle (221 Vine) asked when the 2020 budget meeting would be. The manager replied it is scheduled for Saturday, November 9 at 9 a.m. at the borough building.

Richard Berezniak (1139 S. Braddock) asked council what was being done about the ongoing issues with Square Café. He owns The Salon next to the Café and has to deal with tables and chairs blocking his door, patrons loitering in front of his store and blocking the sidewalk. He provided a letter from his landlord stating he would no longer permit the Square Café to place tables and chairs in front of The Salon. A discussion ensued about the borough's response to the landlord's letter and the blocking of the sidewalk. It was agreed that the code officer and manager would instruct the owner of the Square Café to refrain from placing tables and chairs on the upper ramp area in front of the other stores and to keep the sidewalk free of obstructions.

**AUTHORIZATION TO PAY BILLS**

**M-1** Mr. O'Donnell 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, from the General Fund in the amount of \$75,206.36. Second Dr. Petrolla

DISCUSSION: Mr. O'Donnell said this bill payment included the initial payment for masonry work on the borough building.

Upon roll call vote the following responded yes: Mr. Bright, Mr. Love, Mr. O'Donnell, Dr. Petrolla and Mr. Fuller. **Motion carried.**

**COMMITTEE ACTION**

**M-2** Dr. Petrolla moved to approve change order no. 1 in the amount of \$5680 requested by Wilson Restoration for additional masonry repointing work found to be necessary during construction and as recommended by the borough's project manager, LGA Partners. Second Mr. Love

DISCUSSION: Mr. Zahorchak stated that the masons found approximately 284 linear feet of mortar joints that required repointing. The contract with Wilson Restoration contained a provision for this situation, a \$20 per linear foot line item. The work was reviewed by the project manager and made sense to complete while scaffold and mechanical lifts were on site.

Upon roll call vote the following responded yes: Mr. Bright, Mr. Love, Mr. O'Donnell, Dr. Petrolla and Mr. Fuller. **Motion carried.**

**BUSINESS MEETING**

**VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT** No report given.

**WATER AUTHORITY REPORT** Mr. Fuller stated the authority is transitioning to repair work with the weather changing and that the water line reconstruction near the Kenmawr Bridge was complete. The authority is working to reduce leaks and install new outflow meters at their treatment plant.

**RECREATION REPORT** Mr. Zahorchak reported youth basketball is going well with enough kids to form at least 12 teams.

**PLANNING COMMISSION** Mr. Zahorchak said the commission did not meet.

**COG REPORT** Mayor Wilson was absent and had nothing to report.

**SOLICITOR'S REPORT** The solicitor had nothing to report.

**BOROUGH MANAGER'S REPORT** : Mr. Zahorchak.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Mr. Fuller announced the 2020 budget meeting on Saturday November 9, 2019 starting at 9 a.m. in council chambers.

**M-3** It was moved by Mr. O'Donnell and seconded by Mr. Wainright to adjourn at 8:30 pm.

DISCUSSION: None.

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



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Rob Zahorchak, Borough Manager

