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BOROUGH OF EDGEWOOD MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD NOVEMBER 2, 2020

This meeting was held virtually using GoToMeeting.

Council Vice President O'Donnell called the meeting of the Borough of Edgewood to order at 7:33 pm.

ROLL CALL

Upon roll call, the following responded: Mr. Bright, Mr. Fuller, Mr. Love, Mr. O'Donnell, and Ms. Yaney were present. Solicitor Tim Barry was present, Mayor Wilson, and Junior Councilperson Ben Bermann were also present. Dr Petrolla and Mr. Wainright were absent.

ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR:

Erin Pierce of the CC Mellor library addressed council regarding library operations.

AUTHORIZATION TO PAY BILLS

M-1 Mr. Love 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 \$25,549.25 and from the Sewer Fund in the amount of \$2,437.00 for a total of \$27,986.25. Second Mr. Fuller.

DISCUSSION: Mr. Love had no comments.

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

COMMITTEE ACTION

M-2 Mr. Love moved to accept Change Order 01-2020 in the amount of \$13,650 for additional quantities due to the relocation of a gas line relocation submitted by Traffic Systems and Services, LLC. Second Ms. Yaney.

DISCUSSION: Mr. Love asked for an explanation of the change order. Mr. Zahorchak explained that Peoples Gas identified an 8" gas line in the sidewalk near the proposed excavation location for the signal mast arm. Unfortunately, their abilities to field locate the gas line were not precise enough to ensure the line wouldn't be disturbed during excavation which required a significant amount of excavation to locate the line and ultimately relocate it out of the way.

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

M-3 Mr. Bright moved to reschedule the November 16, 2020 public hearing regarding a proposed zoning amendment to December 7, 2020 at 7pm at the Borough Building. Second Mr. Fuller

DISCUSSION: Mr. Zahorchak explained that the amendment qualifies as a zoning map change according to Allegheny County Planning which requires all property owners affected by the change be given 30 days notice of the public hearing. This rescheduling allows the borough to meet this 30 day requirement.

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

BUSINESS MEETING

<u>VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT</u> Mr. Halle briefed council on the success of the drive through pasta dinner fundraiser. The department wants to continue with these fundraisers next year. The department is preparing for luminaria sales and will be driving Santa around on the fire engine on the night of December 19, 2020.

<u>WATER AUTHORITY REPORT</u> Mr. Fuller reported the authority has 2800 customers who have received their third delinquency notice which means they would have had their service terminated except the statewide shutoff moratorium and the water authority board decided to forgo termination at this time. The online payment platform is now active so customers can create an account to automatically pay their bills. Supplies are hard to come by due to COVID related delays.

<u>RECREATION REPORT</u> Mr. Zahorchak reported recreation is on hold at this time as the borough has no access to facilities for basketball or any other winter time indoor activity.

PLANNING COMMISSION Mr. Zahorchak reported the commission met on October 8 to review the zoning ordinance amendment and recommended its adoption by borough council. The commission also asked if council would allow it to review the borough's comprehensive plan which should be conducted every ten years. There were no objections.

<u>COG REPORT</u> Mayor Wilson reported the COG is meeting next Thursday.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT Mr. Barry had nothing to report.

BOROUGH MANAGER'S REPORT: Mr. Zahorchak updated council on several items. The 2020 paving program is making progress, all ADA ramps have been constructed and storm line replacement is in progress on Pliney Way. Milling and paving will take place over the next two weeks. The Maple Ave traffic signal is making progress, concrete work will start next week and other utility conflicts are being addressed. General Government is reviewing the 2021 budget and will have another meeting before the council-wide budget meeting. The manager is working on implementing an online platform to facilitate the purchasing of parking passes without having to come into the borough building. The system will be implemented by the end of November to accommodate 2021 parking pass sales. Lastly, the manager will be distributing resumes for the vacant public works laborer position to the public works committee.

<u>NEW BUSINESS</u>: Mr. Fuller called a public safety committee meeting for November 10 at 6:30 p.m. at the borough building.

Ms. Yaney stated she had been speaking with the tree committee about the conflicts in the Tree Ordinance and Street and Sidewalk Ordinance and a brief discussion followed. Mr. O'Donnell recommended this discussion be moved to the General Government Committee for further consideration.

M-4 It was moved by Mr. Fuller and seconded by Ms. Yaney to adjourn at 8:45 pm. The aye vote on the motion was unanimous. Motion carried.

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Rob Zahorchak, Borough Manager