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# BOROUGH OF EDGEWOOD MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD NOVEMBER 18, 2024

An Executive Session was held from 7:33pm – 7:38pm.

Council President Petrolla called the meeting to order at 7:38pm.

#### **ROLL CALL**

Upon roll call, the following responded: Dr. Blasiole, Ms. Patel, Mr. Sherman, Ms. Yaney, and Dr. Petrolla. Also present were Mayor O'Donnell, Abigail Ault for Borough Manager Zahorchak, and Solicitor McDermott. Dr. Epitropoulos and Mr. Love were absent.

#### **PLEDGE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR:** The following public comment was received.

Sharon Borovetz, 930 Greendale Ave: Ms. Borovetz inquired as to when the pickleball courts would close for the season. It was responded that it would be discussed that with Public Works to close them shortly.

Natasha Vandiver: Ms. Vandiver addressed Council with concerns about the construction at the elementary school and safety of kids crossing the street.

Ms. Vandiver also spoke on behalf of the Edgewood Foundation regarding Light-up Edgewood. She noted that this is her last year organizing the event, as she will be stepping down from the Foundation in the new year.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**M-1** Ms. Yaney moved to approve the minutes of the October 21, 2024 Council meeting. Second by Mr. Sherman.

DISCUSSION: None.

Upon roll call vote the following responded yes: Dr. Blasiole, Ms. Patel, Mr. Sherman, Ms. Yaney, and Dr. Petrolla. **Motion carried.** 

**M-2** Ms. Yaney moved to approve the minutes of the November 4, 2024 Council meeting. Second by Dr. Blasiole.

DISCUSSION: None.

Upon roll call vote the following responded yes: Dr. Blasiole, Ms. Patel, Mr. Sherman, Ms. Yaney, and Dr. Petrolla. **Motion carried.** 

### **AUTHORIZATION TO PAY BILLS**

M-3 Dr. Blasiole moved to authorize the payment of bills for goods and services received by the borough from the General Fund in the amount of \$74,254.47 and from the Sewer Fund in the amount of \$34.76 for a total of \$74,289.23. Second by Ms. Yaney.

DISCUSSION: Dr. Blasiole noted that there was a large payment towards security cameras.

Upon roll call vote the following responded yes to the bills: Dr. Blasiole, Ms. Patel, Mr. Sherman, Ms. Yaney, and Dr. Petrolla. **Motion carried.** 

# **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**GENERAL GOVERNMENT:** Dr. Blasiole reported that General Government met and discussed the police contract, the trash collection bid, and noted that there an Executive Session was needed prior to the regular meeting.

**POLICE:** Nothing was reported.

PUBLIC SAFETY AND INFRASTRUCTURE: Ms. Yaney stated the Public Safety and Infrastructure did not meet

**COMMUNITY AFFAIRS:** Mr. Sherman stated that Community Affairs did not meet.

PENSION AND PERSONNEL: Dr. Blasiole stated that Pension and Personnel did not meet.

**AD HOC COMMITTEES:** Mayor O'Donnell had nothing to report.

**SOLICITOR'S REPORT:** Mr. McDermott had nothing to report, but noted that there was an Executive Session prior to the regular meeting to discuss the trash bid on the Agenda and the police contract.

**BOROUGH MANAGER'S REPORT:** Ms. Ault stated that there was nothing to report.

**NEW BUSINESS** – None.

# **COMMITTEE ACTION**

M-4 Dr. Epitropoulos moved to award the 2025-2029 Solid Waste Contract to the apparent low bidder, (Earthwise Environmental Solutions, DBA) Big's Sanitation, for manual collection, including services for Household Hazardous Waste and e-Waste removal. Second by Ms. Yaney.

DISCUSSION: It was noted that Big's Sanitation came in as the lowest responsible bidder for manual collection. Billing will be done through Jordan Tax Service. Service is planned to start the first week of January. The new collection day is tentatively set to Thursday. A mailer will be sent to residents. Brief discussion ensued on this matter.

Upon roll call vote the following responded yes: Dr. Blasiole, Ms. Patel, Mr. Sherman, Ms. Yaney, and Dr. Petrolla. **Motion carried.** 

**M-5** It was moved by Dr. Blasiole and seconded by Mr. Sherman to adjourn the meeting at 9:00pm. The aye vote on the motion was unanimous. **Motion carried.** 

Rob Zahorchak, Borough Manager