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**BOROUGH OF EDGEWOOD**  
**MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD MAY 4, 2026**

Council Vice President Love called the meeting of the Borough of Edgewood to order at 7:34 pm.

**ROLL CALL**

Upon roll call the following responded: Dr. Blasiolo, Ms. Furman, Mr. Love, Ms. Nielsen, and Ms. Yaney. Also present were Mayor Sherman, Police Chief Altieri, Borough Manager Zahorchak, and Solicitor McDermott. Mr. Ellis was absent. Dr. Petrolla arrived at 7:55 pm.

**PLEDGE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

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

Jen Klara, 156 Rockwell Lane: Ms. Klara addressed Council concerning tree removal, security at election sites and unsupervised children at Edgewood Towne Centre.

**AUTHORIZATION TO PAY BILLS**

**M-1** Dr. Blasiolo moved to authorize the payment of bills for goods and services received by the borough from the General Fund in the amount of \$35,736.30 and the sewer fund in the amount of \$724.00 for a total of \$36,460.30. Second by Ms. Furman.

DISCUSSION: Dr. Blasiolo noted that larger items included engineering costs, an emergency sewer repair on Dewey, and truck tires.

Upon roll call vote the following responded yes: Dr. Blasiolo, Ms. Furman, Mr. Love, Ms. Nielsen, and Ms. Yaney. **Motion carried.**

**COMMITTEE ACTION**

**M-2** Ms. Furman moved to adopt Resolution 2026-21, a Greenways, Trails and Recreation Program grant application seeking \$250,000 to build a pavilion and playground at Koenig Field. Second by Ms. Nielsen.

DISCUSSION: Mr. Zahorchak noted that this authorizes him and Council President Petrolla to sign off on the grant application seeking funds for a new playground and pavilion at Koenig Field.

Upon roll call vote the following responded yes: Dr. Blasiolo, Ms. Furman, Mr. Love, Ms. Nielsen, and Ms. Yaney. **Motion carried. Motion carried.**

Mr. Zahorchak noted that there was a motion to enter into an agreement with Davey Tree to do a tree inventory, but Davey has backed out of that agreement and the agenda item has been removed. Discussion ensued concerning trees.

**M-3** Ms. Yaney moved to authorize the Chief of Police to purchase one bicycle for the police department at a cost not to exceed \$2,000 including accessories. Second by Ms. Furman.

DISCUSSION: Chief Atieri noted that we have one road bike. This is for an e-bike and the cost may be able to cover two bikes. Duquesne University may have some bikes available also.

Upon roll call vote the following responded yes: Dr. Blasiolo, Ms. Furman, Mr. Love, Ms. Nielsen, and Ms. Yaney. Motion carried. **Motion carried.**

**M-4** Dr. Blasiolo moved to hire Olin Woods as a summer help employee at a rate of \$13/hour. Second by Ms. Furman.

DISCUSSION: It was noted that this rate is the same as the other summer help employees.

Upon roll call vote the following responded yes: Dr. Blasiolo, Ms. Furman, Mr. Love, Ms. Nielsen, and Ms. Yaney. Motion carried. **Motion carried.**

## **BUSINESS MEETING**

**VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT:** Chief Reynolds reported that there were nearly 80 calls in April, and we are expecting to exceed the record for 2025. This includes 4 structure fires, including a working fire with entrapment that the juniors were able to see. The turn-out time for calls has been 2 min 30 seconds. Our junior fire fighters were honored at the senior brunch, with two of them being Mel Douglas scholarship recipients. Cash Bash tickets are on sale, but so far sales have been low. The event takes place on May 30.

**WATER AUTHORITY REPORT:** Nothing was reported.

**RECREATION REPORT:** Mr. Zahorchak provided the following report. Registration for T-ball and softball has just closed, although we do still have a few spaces open for anyone who may be interested in playing softball. We are planning our first summer movie, to take place on Friday, June 26, featuring 'Hamilton.' This was chosen to celebrate America 250. Our police and fire departments have been invited to come and greet residents before the film. We have also been in touch with the Braddock Battlefield Museum to try to plan a related activity or presentation. The First Responders Open House will be taking place on May 16 from 12-3pm.

Dr. Petrolla arrived at 7:55pm.

**PLANNING COMMISSION:** Nothing was reported.

**COG REPORT:** Mr. Love noted that they passed by-law amendments. Municipalities served by the COG need to ratify them.

**SOLICITOR'S REPORT:** Nothing was reported.

**BOROUGH MANAGER'S REPORT:** Mr. Zahorchak reported that we are working through some technical issues with online field reservations. Brief discussion ensued. Mr. Zahorchak also attended the Southwestern Tax Collection Commission semi-annual meeting. Our commission on local services tax collection is decreasing for the next three years. A bill is being considered in Harrisburg to levy three times the current LST rate from municipalities. The repairs to railing at Koenig Field are complete.

## **NEW BUSINESS –**

None.

- M-5** It was moved by Ms. Yaney and seconded by Ms. Furman to adjourn at 8:18pm.  
The aye vote on the motion was unanimous. **Motion carried.**

Respectfully submitted,



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Rob Zahorchak, Borough Manager