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MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD AUGUST 3, 2026

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

ROLL CALL

Upon roll call the following responded: Dr. Blasiolo, Mr. Ellis, Ms. Furman, Mr. Love, Ms. Yaney, and Dr. Petrolla. Also present were Mayor Sherman, Police Chief Altieri, Assistant Manager Ault, and Solicitor McDermott. Ms. Nielsen and Manager Zahorchak were absent.

PLEDGE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

OATH OF OFFICE

Mayor Sherman swore in the newly appointed Jr. Council Person.

I, James Kochupura, do solemnly swear that I will support, obey and defend the Constitution of the United States, and the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; and that I will discharge the duties of my appointed office for the Borough of Edgewood with fidelity.

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

Stu Coen, Edgewood Foundation: Mr. Coen provided an update on behalf of the Edgewood Foundation. Brinton Rd clean-up took place, with ten residents cleaning meeting to clean debris along the road. Community Day is coming up. The Foundation will be running a game and will have a table to do outreach and raffle. They will be providing lunch for DPW. Upcoming events include Sleepover in the Park on September 12, the Newcomer's Reception on September 17, and Oktoberfest on October 3. Mr. Coen noted that besides the pig, they will have vegetarian options available.

AUTHORIZATION TO PAY BILLS

M-1 Mr. Love moved to authorize the payment of bills for goods and services received by the borough from the General Fund in the amount of \$39,833.25. Second by Ms. Yaney.

DISCUSSION: Mr. Love noted that large items included engineering costs.

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

COMMITTEE ACTION

M-2 Ms. Furman moved to adopt Resolution 2026-24, a GEDTF grant application seeking \$150,000 for upgrades at Dickson Park. Second by Ms. Yaney.

DISCUSSION: None.

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

BUSINESS MEETING

VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT: Chief Reynolds reported that there were about 560 calls so far this year, which averages to 3 per day. That should put us at around 900 for the year at that pace, which is about 200 more than last year. There was a recent motor vehicle accident with entrapment. He noted that there were no major incidents with the road closure for the Commercial Street bridge replacement. The fire truck is out temporarily for apparatus repair. A renovation is being planned for the living quarters. The department will be at Community Day with their beer garden and engine tours. They will not have food this year. They have a new B-shift of seven volunteers to complement the C-shift.

WATER AUTHORITY REPORT: Mr. Fuller reported that the Authority is closing Phase II and Phase III of the lead line replacement, at approximately 112% and 107% respectively. Phase IV is approved. Braddock is facing a possible shutdown due to being out of funds. There were 57 breaks recently, including on Parkway detours.

RECREATION REPORT: Ms. Ault reported that our showing of Shaolin Soccer went well and was well received by the audience. Thanks to Shaolin Studios for sponsoring. The next and final movie of the season is on September 12, featuring 'Luca.' This is in conjunction with the Foundation's 'Sleepover in the Park' event. Fall Soccer registration is scheduled to close on Friday.

Community Day is coming up. We had a meeting with the Police and Public Works Department to go over parking and field set-up for the day. We'll do a final walk through with our new fireworks vendor, Pyrotecnico, on August 13. We are planning to have a tent available for Council. If anyone would like to help out with a game, spots are still available. Family and friends are welcome to help. Yard signs are available to take and display.

PLANNING COMMISSION: Nothing was reported.

COG REPORT: Nothing was reported.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT: Mr. McDermott had nothing to report, and no executive session was needed.

BOROUGH MANAGER'S REPORT: Ms. Ault provided the following report. Chestnut St bridge work started today, with a pre-construction meeting. Sidewalk work will take place with a closure on each side. The other side will remain open and the bridge will be open to vehicle traffic. Starting August 17, the entire bridge will be closed to both pedestrians and vehicles for work on the road. This closure is expected for thirty days. During that time there will be two way traffic on all of Elm St and signage will be placed.

The paving program walkthrough is scheduled for Wednesday next week at 10am. Vector work on storm sewers is complete for now. Public Works will check to see if any sewers need additional cleaning. Thanks to Public Works for their efforts in painting the vascar lines, among other projects through the summer.

NEW BUSINESS –

None.

M-3 It was moved by Ms. Yaney and seconded by Mr. Ellis to adjourn at 7:49pm.
The aye vote on the motion was unanimous. **Motion carried.**

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Rob Zahorchak', is positioned above a horizontal line.

Rob Zahorchak, Borough Manager