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Council President Petrolla called the meeting of the Borough of Edgewood to order at 7:37 pm.

ROLL CALL
Upon roll call the following responded: Dr. Blasiole, Ms. Furman (virtual), Mr. Love, Ms. Nielsen, Ms. Yaney, and Dr. Petrolla. Also present were Mayor Sherman, Jr Councilperson Blasiole, Police Chief Altieri, Borough Manager Zahorchak, and Solicitor McDermott. Mr. Ellis, Jr Councilperson Kochupura, and were absent.

President Petrolla announced that Borough Council had held an executive session from 7:30-7:35 pm to discuss a personnel matter.

PLEDGE
The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR:
Dewitt Walton, County Council: Councilman Walton stated that the budget meetings are upcoming. There will be two instead of three this year. He noted that there are some budget challenges to address and there may be some limitations on spending. Discussion ensued on this matter.

Kevin Laird, 348 Maple Ave: Mr. Laird commended the Police and Fire departments on their quick response to a recent incident.

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 $238,710.94. Second by Dr. Blasiole.

DISCUSSION: Mr. Love noted some larger transactions, including some for the Fire Department.

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

COMMITTEE ACTION

M-2 Dr. Blasiole moved to adopt Resolution 2026-25 – A resolution authorizing the submission of a Community Development Block Grant application by the Turtle Creek Valley Council of Governments on behalf of Edgewood Borough seeking $77,575 for accessibility upgrades to Dickson Park. Second by Ms. Nielsen.

DISCUSSION: None.

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

M-3 Ms. Yaney moved to accept the bid submitted by Morton Salt, Inc., for rock salt in the amount of $136.40/ton for orders placed between October 1, 2026 and July 31, 2027. Second by Dr. Blasiole.

DISCUSSION: Mr. Zahorchak noted that this was the best price we could find.

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

BUSINESS MEETING

VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT: Chief Reynolds provided an update on the department. He noted that our response time is quicker than most. He included a plan to create a memorial to Dr. Evans. He recognized Natalie Hall for her assistance in planning a community meeting and vigil. The department attended these events as well as Fallfest, in addition to responding to calls. The department has been awarded a grant for apparatus. An anonymous donation was recently received. He discussed plans for additional funding.

WATER AUTHORITY REPORT: Mr. Fuller reported on some items from the most recent meeting. He noted that the office will be closed until May.

RECREATION REPORT: Mr. Zahorchak provided the following report. Soccer is just over halfway and is going well. Fallfest/Oktoberfest happened on Saturday with perfect weather and a nice turnout. Basketball registration starts October 26 and runs through December 4. We are seeking a new volunteer coordinator (or multiple volunteers) to help out as Matt transitions out. In place of the annual Halloween Parade, the Police Department will be hosting a Trunk or Treat event on October 27 from 6-7:30. Trick or Treat in the neighborhood will take place on Halloween, October 31, from 6-8pm. Futsal registration opens December 7.

PLANNING COMMISSION: Nothing was reported.

COG REPORT: Mayor Sherman noted that there was a meeting but had nothing to report. Mr. Zahorchak noted a CDBG grant.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT: Mr. McDermott had nothing to report.

BOROUGH MANAGER'S REPORT: Mr. Zahorchak noted that a brief Executive Session would be needed after the regular meeting with no action to be taken. He reported that traffic signal inspection took place on S Braddock Ave. There are two bid openings forthcoming, theMon Alley staircase runnel project and another for the Mon Alley resurfacing and retaining wall rehabilitation. He presented the 2027 MMO to council.

NEW BUSINESS –
Mr. Love inquired about scheduling the budget meeting. Brief discussion occurred on this matter.

M-4 It was moved by Dr. Blasiole and seconded by Ms. Nielsen to adjourn at 8:20pm.
The aye vote on the motion was unanimous. **Motion carried.**

An Executive Session was held from 8:23-8:29 to discuss a police personnel matter.

Respectfully submitted,



Rob Zahorchak, Borough Manager