

**BOROUGH OF EDGEWOOD
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Council Vice President McNally, taking Council President Schaefer's seat while she sat in during Mayor Davin's absence, called the Meeting of the Council of the Borough of Edgewood to order on Monday, August 6, 2007 at 7:37 P.M. in the Municipal Building.

ROLL CALL

Borough Manager Kurt Ferguson called the roll and the following responded: Ms. McDonald, Mr. Szefi, Mr. McNally, Mr. Hellett.

Mr. Cook and Ms. Nogrady were absent.

Ms. Schaefer took the Mayor's seat in Mayor Davin's absence. Solicitor W. Timothy Barry was also in attendance.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR

None.

AUTHORIZATION TO PAY BILLS

M-1 Ms. McDonald 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 in the amount of \$75,884.74. Second by Mr. Hellett.

DISCUSSION: None.

Upon roll call vote, the following was recorded: Ms. McDonald, Mr. Szefi, Mr. McNally, Mr. Hellett voted yes. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE ACTION

M-2 Mr. Hellett moved to lift the ban on alcoholic beverages at Edgewood Community Day. Second by Mr. Szefi.

DISCUSSION: None.

Upon roll call vote, the following was recorded: Ms. McDonald, Mr. Szefi, Mr. McNally, Mr. Hellett voted yes. Motion carried.

M-3 Ms. McDonald read Resolution 2007-25 and asked for its immediate adoption. Second by Mr. Szefi.

BOROUGH OF EDGEWOOD

RESOLUTION 2007-25

WHEREAS, the Borough of Edgewood, Allegheny County, is vulnerable to natural hazards like flooding, wind and weather hazards, drought, earthquakes, wildfires, landslides, and human-caused hazards that can result in property loss, loss of life, economic hardship and threats to public health and safety; and,

WHEREAS, an Allegheny County Hazard Vulnerability Assessment and Mitigation Plan has been developed by Allegheny County Hazard Mitigation Project Steering Committee and the people of the County; and,

WHEREAS, the Allegheny County Hazard Vulnerability Assessment and Mitigation Plan recommends mitigation activities that will reduce losses to life and property affected by the natural hazards that face the Borough of Edgewood; and

WHEREAS, a series of public meetings were held to develop and review the plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of Edgewood that:

- The Allegheny County Hazard Vulnerability Assessment and Mitigation Plan is hereby adopted as an official plan of the Borough of Edgewood.
- By September 30 each year, the Allegheny County Hazard Mitigation Project Steering Committee shall prepare an annual evaluation report to the Council of the Borough of Edgewood.
- The respective Borough officials and agencies identified in the strategy of the plan are hereby directed to implement the recommended activities assigned to them. They will consult semi-annually with the Allegheny County Hazard Mitigation Project Steering Committee on the progress of their activities.

ADOPTED THIS THE 6th day of August 2007 by the Council of the Borough of Edgewood.

Kurt M. Ferguson

Patricia M. Schaefer

EXAMINED AND APPROVED by me this 6th day of August 2007.

Jean O. Davin

DISCUSSION: Acting Mayor Schaefer had questions regarding whether there would be a budgetary impact for the Borough by passing this legislation and, after discussion, Mr. Ferguson said that there would be no impact.

Ms. McDonald had a minor change and also mentioned that accepting the document would satisfy suggestions from the Borough audit.

Ms. Schaefer indicated that the Borough currently has an emergency plan in place which delineates how to respond during an emergency and stated that this document is in conjunction to that plan.

Upon roll call vote, the following was recorded: Ms. McDonald, Mr. Szefi, Mr. McNally, Mr. Hellett voted yes. Resolution Passes.

VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

No representative of the Volunteer Fire Department was present.

DISCUSSION: None.

RECREATION REPORT

Mr. Ferguson reported that Community Day preparations are in place, including Council's participation in the parade. He then indicated that soccer registrations will be accepted until August 31, 2007. The Borough Manager indicated that he has spoken with the Personnel Committee chairperson regarding the Recreation Coordinator position. It is Mr. Ferguson's hope that some or all of the applicants will be on the next agenda.

DISCUSSION: Ms. Schaefer said that Mr. Ferguson had asked about the Council's participation in the parade last month. It was Acting Mayor Schaefer's thought that it is important for residents to know who their Council is face to face and that the parade would be one way to do this.

WATER AUTHORITY REPORT

Mr. Fuller reported on an informal budget meeting July 17, 2007 prior to the regularly scheduled November meeting. He stated that there are two major facilities which need to be repaired. The Authority will go to a monthly billing schedule to increase the cash flow and this will benefit everyone.

There was a 480 ft., 16" emergency water line replacement in Monroeville, according to Mr. Fuller.

DISCUSSION: Mr. Hellett had questions regarding how an RF reading worked and Mr. Fuller gave him an explanation of that process.

Mr. Hellett then questioned the repeated breaks which occur on Savannah Avenue and was told by Mr. Fuller that extreme changes in temperature create this situation. Mr. Fuller stated that this street is on the Authority's current list of streets to be repaired.

Ms. Schaefer reported that red clay does not settle and extreme temperatures cause slippage.

PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT

Mr. Szefi reported that the Committee did not meet.

DISCUSSION: None.

COG REPORT

Mr. Hellett had no report.

DISCUSSION: None.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Mr. Barry stated that he asked for an Executive Session to discuss litigation, but indicated that there would be no action taken.

DISCUSSION: None.

BOROUGH MANAGER'S REPORT

Mr. Ferguson said that he has been trying for better coordination with Dominion Peoples regarding street openings. He stated that there was a gas line replacement on Maple and Beech and that the job the contractor did with pouring asphalt was unsatisfactory. Mr. Ferguson stated that he has met with the gas company and they agree with this conclusion.

The gas company will reach the line via the sidewalks on Maple Avenue. Homeowners who will be affected have been notified. There will be 350 ft. of line replaced and the opening may include Community Day.

Mr. Ferguson also reported that the interviews for the Edgewood Avenue Revitalization Project have been finalized and he hopes to have a motion on an upcoming agenda.

DISCUSSION: For the record, Mr. McNally asked if his understanding was correct that a Port Authority representative was at the meeting and commented approving the consultant around whom a consensus was made. He was answered in the affirmative by Ms. Schaefer.

Mr. Ferguson offered that the representative also had experience with the firm.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. McNally set a meeting of the Ad Hoc Cooperation Agreement Committee for 7:30 on August 13, 2007.

Ms. McDonald thanked the Police Department for holding the Open House on July 28, 2007.

Mr. McNally said he was impressed with the article which appeared in the Woodland Hills Progress, stating that it was nicely done.

Mr. Hellett set a Personnel Committee meeting regarding reviews for 7:45 PM on August 13, 2007.

ADJOURNMENT

M-4 Following an Executive Session which lasted from 7:58 PM to 8:26 PM, it was moved by Ms. McDonald and seconded by Mr. Szefi to adjourn this meeting at 8:27 PM.

Kurt M. Ferguson
Borough Manager