

**BOROUGH OF EDGEWOOD
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DECEMBER 5, 2011**

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Council President Schaefer called the Meeting of the Borough of Edgewood to order on Monday, December 5, 2011 at 7:32 PM in the Municipal Building.

ROLL CALL

Borough Manager Warren Cecconi called the roll and the following responded: Mr. Bright, Mr. Bowers, Ms. Waldock, Mr. Wilson, Ms. Gleba, Mr. Fuller, and Ms. Schaefer.

Mayor Hellet and Solicitor Barry were also present.

PLEDGE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR

None

AUTHORIZATION TO PAY BILLS

M-1 Ms. Gleba 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 \$49,414.10 from the General Fund and \$4,343.44 from the Sewer Fund for a total of \$53,757.54. Second by Mr. Wilson.

DISCUSSION: None

President Schaefer asked that those in favor signify by responding "aye" and those opposed signify by responding "nay;" the following responded aye: Mr. Bright, Mr. Bowers, Ms. Waldock, Mr. Wilson, Ms. Gleba, Mr. Fuller, and Ms. Schaefer. Motion carried 7-0.

COMMITTEE ACTION

M-2 Ms. Gleba moved to hold a Public Hearing on the proposed 2012 budget at 7:00 PM on December 19, 2011 in Council Chambers and also to advertise the budget hearing. Second by Mr. Fuller.

DISCUSSION: None

President Schaefer asked that those in favor signify by responding "aye" and those opposed signify by responding "nay;" the following responded aye: Mr. Bright, Mr. Bowers, Ms. Waldock, Mr. Wilson, Ms. Gleba, Mr. Fuller, and Ms. Schaefer. Motion carried 7-0.

- M-3 Ms. Waldock moved to accept Jared Kier's letter of resignation effective 11/28/2011 as a part time police officer for Edgewood Borough. Second by Mr. Bowers.

DISCUSSION: None

President Schaefer asked that those in favor signify by responding "aye" and those opposed signify by responding "nay;" the following responded aye: Mr. Bright, Mr. Bowers, Ms. Waldock, Mr. Wilson, Ms. Gleba, Mr. Fuller, and Ms. Schaefer. Motion carried 7-0.

- M-4 First Reading of Ordinance 1039

Ms. Gleba read the following ordinance into the record:

ORDINANCE 1039

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF EDGEWOOD, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA FIXING THE TAX RATE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2012

BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED, and it is hereby ordained and enacted by the Council of the Borough of Edgewood, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania;

SECTION 1: That a tax be and the same is hereby levied on all real property, within said Borough subject to taxation for Borough purposes for the fiscal year 2012 as follows:

Tax rate for general Borough purposes, the total of eight and one hundred sixty-one thousandths (8.161) mills on each thousand dollars of assessed valuation.

1 mill = \$1.00 for every \$1,000 assessment
8.161 mills = \$8.161 for every \$1,000 assessment

SECTION 2: That any ordinance, or part thereof, conflicting with the provisions of this Ordinance be and the same is hereby repealed insofar as the same is affected by this Ordinance.

Second by Mr. Wilson.

DISCUSSION: Ms. Gleba stated that this ordinance was the same as in 2011 and 2010, with no tax increase.

President Schaefer asked that those in favor signify by responding "aye" and those opposed signify by responding "nay;" the following responded aye: Mr. Bright, Mr. Bowers, Ms. Waldock, Mr. Wilson, Ms. Gleba, Mr. Fuller, and Ms. Schaefer. Motion carried 7-0.

Solicitor Barry reported to Council that he would attend the suburban municipalities meeting with Judge Wettick on December 12, 2011 regarding real estate property reassessments and would report back to Council.

BUSINESS MEETING

VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

No report.

RECREATION REPORT

Manager Cecconi reported that the Borough was accepting registrations for youth basketball, and that the Recreation Board would hold a meeting on Wednesday December 7, 2011 at 7:30 pm in the Koenig Fieldhouse.

WATER AUTHORITY REPORT

Mr. Fuller reported that the Water Authority's 2012 budget included a five percent rate increase to customers and a \$2 increase for late fee notices. He reported that the union contract had not yet been signed.

President Schaefer asked if any water line replacements were budgeted for Edgewood in 2012. Mr. Fuller responded that none were projected to take place in Edgewood, as the Borough did not have any problems with water breaks.

PLANNING COMMISSION

Ms. Waldock reported that the planning commission's next meeting would be held in January 2012.

COG REPORT

Mr. Wilson had nothing to report.

LIBRARY REPORT

Ms. Waldock had nothing to report.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Solicitor Barry had nothing to report.

BOROUGH MANAGER'S REPORT

Manager Cecconi reported that work had begun on the Borough Building's heating system. He stated that the department of public works was still collecting leaves through the end of the week. Manager Cecconi said trimming of the oak trees in Memorial Park would be taking place. He said that 2012 on-street parking passes were now on sale, and lot spots would be given out on December 19th. If more lot spots were requested than are available, a lottery would be held.

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Hellett thanked Mr. Bowers and the Western Pennsylvania School for the Deaf for holding a community parade and inviting the Edgewood Police Department to participate. President Schaefer thanked the school for all they do to promote connections between neighboring communities.

Chief Payne reported that HIPAA only applies to "covered entities" and that police and fire departments are not covered under this law. Chief Payne passed the department's daily log to members to view. President Schaefer thanked Chief Payne for his research, and stated that Council wanted to ensure a concern for resident's care was taken in regards to the daily log.

Chief Payne and Officer Chrise presented the maintenance of the police department's vehicles to Council.

Mayor Hellett questioned the new law introduced to the state legislature. President Schaefer explained that an open meeting for municipalities to discuss the law, House Bill 1950 and Senate Bill 1110, would take place on December 13, 2011. She said the main issue was regarding municipal rights with respect to zoning. Mr. Wilson said he would attend for the Borough.


Ms. Gleba stated that the public would have a chance to comment to Council on the 2012 budget on December 19, 2011 at 7:00 PM in Council Chambers. She stated the proposed budget was available for review on the Borough's website, at the library, and at the Borough Building.

ADJOURNMENT

M-5 It was moved by Ms. Waldock and seconded by Mr. Bowers to adjourn at 8:24 PM.

DISCUSSION: None.

President Schaefer asked that those in favor signify by responding "aye" and those opposed signify by responding "nay;" the following responded aye: Mr. Bright, Mr. Bowers, Ms. Waldock, Mr. Wilson, Ms. Gleba, Mr. Fuller, and Ms. Schaefer. Motion carried 7-0.



Warren Cecconi
Borough Manager

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