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### BOROUGH OF EDGEWOOD MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING OF JANUARY 22, 2013

President Schaefer called the meeting of the Borough of Edgewood to order at 7:38 PM in the Municipal Building.

#### **ROLL CALL**

Upon roll call, the following responded: Mr. Bright, Mr. Wainright, Mr. Wilson, Ms. Gleba, Mr. Fuller and Ms. Schaefer.

Mayor Cook and Solicitor Barry were also present.

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR

None

Mayor Cook administered the following Oath of Office to Officer Tomko:

#### OATH OF OFFICE

I, Joseph M. Tomko, 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 Police Officer for the Borough of Edgewood with fidelity.

M-1 Ms. Gleba moved to approve the minutes of the public hearing of December 17, 2012, as amended. Second by Mr. Fuller.

DISCUSSION: None

The aye vote on the motion was unanimous. Motion carried.

M-2 Ms. Gleba moved to approve the minutes of December 17, 2012, as amended. Second by Mr. Wainright.

DISCUSSION: None

The aye vote on the motion was unanimous. Motion carried.

M-3 Ms. Gleba moved to approve the minutes of January 7, 2013, as amended. Second by Mr. Wainright

DISCUSSION: None

The aye vote on the motion was unanimous. Motion carried.

#### **AUTHORIZATION TO PAY BILLS**

M-4 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, from the General Fund, in the amount of \$26,427.18 and from the Sewer Fund in the amount of \$2,649.05 for a total of \$29,076.23. Second by Mr. Wilson. DISCUSSION: None

Upon roll call vote the following responded yes: Mr. Bright, Mr. Wainright, Mr. Wilson, Ms. Gleba, Mr. Fuller and Ms. Schaefer. **Motion carried.** 

GENERAL GOVERNMENT Ms. Gleba discussed ways to promote the borough's new website.

**POLICE REPORT** Mayor Cook thanked Council for hiring Officer Tomko, and for its continued commitment to the Police Department. Chief Payne discussed the upcoming Citizens Police Academy.

PUBLIC SAFETY President Schaefer said a Commitment to Community meeting would take place on February 7<sup>th</sup> at 8 am at the Western Pennsylvania School for the Deaf.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT Manager Cecconi said sealed bids for the sale of Parcel D would be received by March 1, 2013 and the bids would be opened at the Council meeting on March 4, 2013.

PUBLIC WORKS Mr. Wilson said the committee did not meet.

PERSONNEL Mr. Fuller said the committee did not meet.

PENSION Mr. Bright said the committee did not meet.

#### AD HOC COMMITTEES

3 RIVERS WET WEATHER DEMONSTRATION PROJECT/CONNECT President Schaefer said 3 Rivers Wet Weather did not meet, and Julie Bastianini said CONNECT met on January 17th to discuss ongoing water/sewer and EMS initiatives.

**SOLICITOR'S REPORT** Solicitor Barry said that Ordinance 1042 on the agenda would have to be advertised for public review before being acted upon at the next meeting.

BOROUGH MANAGER'S REPORT Manager Cecconi said the Department of Public Works had been working on interior building improvements including painting and cleaning. He said that he and Ms. Bastianini would meet with the Borough's engineers later in the week to discuss the new playground project at Koenig Field. He said that tree trimming would take place on Garland Street.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Mr. Wilson scheduled a Public Works Committee meeting for February 4th at 7PM. Mayor Cook thanked the department of public works employees and Manager Cecconi for the painting that took place in the Borough Building.

#### **COMMITTEE ACTION**

M-5 Ms. Gleba made a third and final reading of the following ordinance:

#### **ORDINANCE 1041**

# AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF EDGEWOOD, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA FIXING THE TAX RATE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2013 Second by Mr. Wilson.

DISCUSSION: Ms. Gleba stated that the millage rate was revenue neutral.

Upon roll call vote the following responded yes: Mr. Bright, Mr. Wainright, Mr. Wilson, Ms. Gleba, Mr. Fuller and Ms. Schaefer. **Motion carried.** 

- M-6 President Schaefer then asked shall this ordinance pass? Upon roll call vote the following responded yes: Mr. Bright, Mr. Wainright, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Fuller and Ms. Schaefer. Motion carried.
- M-7 Ms. Gleba read the following ordinance into the record:

#### **ORDINANCE 1042**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF EDGEWOOD, COUNTY OF ALLEGHENY, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYVANIA, AMENDING ORDINANCE 997 INCREASING THE COMPENSATION OF THE REAL ESTATE TAX COLLECTOR OF THE BOROUGH OF EDGEWOOD, EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2014.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it ordained and enacted by Council for the Borough of Edgewood, and it is hereby ordained and enacted by the authority of same as follows:

<u>Section 1</u>. That the compensation to be paid by the Borough of Edgewood, Allegheny County, Pennsylvania, to the Real Estate Tax Collector of the Borough of Edgewood for the collection of Borough taxes assessed and levied upon real estate in said Borough is hereby fixed at a salary of \$7,925 per year. The fixed salary is payable bi-weekly, less standard payroll deductions. The annual salary, as fixed by this Ordinance, is to take effect with the collection of Real Estate Taxes for the year 2014.

<u>Section 2</u>. That the Borough of Edgewood will provide space in the Edgewood Borough Building for use by the Real Estate Tax Collector.

<u>Section 3</u>. That the Borough of Edgewood will pay directly to the vendor a tax collector bond, and will pay for reasonable expenses of telephone and postal service, office supplies, photocopying and printing associated with the business of Real Estate Tax Collection, upon approval of a purchase order and receipt of an invoice.

Section 4. Any Ordinance, or part of any Ordinance, in conflict herewith is hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

ORDAINED AND ENACTED this 4th day of February, 2013. Second by Mr. Wilson.

DISCUSSION: Ms. Gleba discussed the salaries of neighboring tax collectors, and said the general government committee recommended a ten percent raise in salary for the real estate tax collector.

Upon roll call vote the following responded yes: Mr. Bright, Mr. Wainright, Mr. Wilson, Ms. Gleba, Mr. Fuller and Ms. Schaefer. **Motion carried.** 

M-8 Ms. Gleba moved to advertise Ordinance 1042. Second by Mr. Wainright.

DISCUSSION: None

The aye vote on the motion was unanimous. Motion carried.

Mr. Fuller moved to purchase a 2012 Dodge Charger Police Vehicle from Tri-Star Motors for \$26,987.00.
This is under Co-Stars Bid #013-0219. Second by Mr. Wilson.

DISCUSSION: Mr. Fuller said the police department tested three different models of cars, and preferred this model to the others. He also said it had an extended warranty.

Upon roll call vote the following responded yes: Mr. Bright, Mr. Wainright, Mr. Wilson, Ms. Gleba, Mr. Fuller and Ms. Schaefer. **Motion carried.** 

Mr. Fuller moved to purchase the needed equipment to outfit the new police car from Team Force Inc. in the amount of \$7,506.95 per quote dated 11/05/2012. Second by Mr. Wilson.

DISCUSSION: Manager Cecconi said that since the amount was under \$8,000 there was no requirement for the Borough to solicit bids.

Upon roll call vote the following responded yes: Mr. Bright, Mr. Wainright, Mr. Wilson, Ms. Gleba, Mr. Fuller and Ms. Schaefer. **Motion carried**.

Ms. Gleba moved to exonerate the Tax Collector for the Delinquent list dated 01/10/2013 in the amount of \$46,183.09 and send accounts to Pennsylvania Municipal Services for collection. Second by Mr. Wainright.

DISCUSSION: None

Upon roll call vote the following responded yes: Mr. Bright, Mr. Wainright, Mr. Wilson, Ms. Gleba, Mr. Fuller and Ms. Schaefer. **Motion carried**.

M-12 It was moved by Mr. Fuller and seconded by Mr. Bright to adjourn at 8:40 PM.

DISCUSSION: None.

The aye vote on the motion was unanimous. Motion carried.

Warren Cecconi, Borough Manager