

**BOROUGH OF EDGEWOOD
BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA – MONDAY MAY 7, 2018**

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| | CALL TO ORDER | Ms. Schaefer |
| | ROLL CALL | Ms. Bastianini |
| | PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE | |
| | ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR | |
| | MAYORAL PROCLAMATION 2018-02 | Mayor Wilson |
| 1. | AUTHORIZATION TO PAY BILLS | Mr. Wainright |
| 2. | COMMITTEE ACTION | |
| | BUSINESS MEETING | |
| 3. | VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT | Mr. Caprio |
| 4. | RECREATION REPORT | Ms. Bastianini |
| 5. | PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT | Ms. Bastianini |
| 6. | COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENT REPORT | Mayor Wilson |
| 7. | BOROUGH SOLICITOR | Mr. Barry |
| 8. | BOROUGH MANAGER | Ms. Bastianini |
| 9. | NEW BUSINESS | |
| 10. | ADJOURNMENT | |

MOTION TO AUTHORIZE PAYMENT OF BILLS – MR. WAINRIGHT

I move 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 \$25,043.37 and from the Sewer Fund in the amount of \$2,167.70 for a total of \$27,211.07

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BOROUGH OF EDGEWOOD
MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD MAY 7, 2018

President Schaefer called the meeting of the Borough of Edgewood to order at 7:36pm in the Municipal Building.

ROLL CALL

Upon roll call, the following responded: Mr. Bright, Mr. Wainright, Mr. O'Donnell, Dr. Petrolla and Ms. Schaefer.

Mayor Wilson and Solicitor Barry were also present.

PLEDGE The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR None

MAYORAL PROCLAMATION 2018-02 Mayor Wilson read the following Proclamation:

BOROUGH OF EDGEWOOD
PROCLAMATION 2018-02

WHEREAS, the Borough of Edgewood recognizes exceptional service and acknowledges commitments to community; and

WHEREAS, Boy Scout Troop 23 was established in Edgewood in 1912 in order to build character and responsibility in young people; and

WHEREAS, the rank of Eagle Scout is the highest rank attainable in the Boy Scouts of America and requires extensive service and leadership;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough of Edgewood recognizes and acknowledges **OWEN LAWRENCE MAUE** for earning the rank of Eagle Scout from the Boy Scouts of America.

PROCLAIMED this 7th day of May 2018 by the Mayor of the Borough of Edgewood.

AUTHORIZATION TO PAY BILLS

M-1 Mr. Wainright 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 \$25,043.37 from the General Fund and \$2,167.70 from the Sewer Fund for a total of \$27,211.07. Second by Dr. Petrolla.

DISCUSSION: Mr. Wainright said the bills included \$1,500 for the purchase of a new radar speed sign.

Upon roll call vote the following responded yes: Mr. Bright, Mr. Wainright, Mr. O'Donnell, Dr. Petrolla, and Ms. Schaefer. **Motion carried.**

COMMITTEE ACTION None.

BUSINESS MEETING

VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT Mr. Caprio said the department responded to 49 calls in the month of April, including a building fire at 116 Ivy Street. Mutual aid was needed from eight different departments, but the fire was contained. Mr. Caprio said four volunteers graduated from the fire academy and had passed their tests. Mr. Bright

asked if it was true that the fire hydrant closest to the house fire did not work. Mr. Caprio said that initially they could not connect, and so began to fight the fire with the 500 gallons of water stored in the fire truck. When Swissvale arrived two minutes after Edgewood Volunteer Fire Department, they were able to successfully connect to the hydrant. Mr. Caprio said Wilksburg Penn Joint Water Authority does routine testing of fire hydrants and is responsible for hydrant maintenance.

Chief Payne discussed the recent activities of the Police Department, which included responding to two shootings in Wilksburg last week. He said the department also took place in the grand opening celebrations at GetGo.

RECREATION REPORT Ms. Bastianini said registration was underway for Tball and Softball. She said registration was also open for Yoga in the Park. She said new safety bases had been purchased for the fields.

PLANNING COMMISSION Ms. Bastianini said the commission met to discuss three conditional use applications to operate bed and breakfasts. The commission recommended approval of all three applications, which had a public hearing before Council scheduled for Monday, May 21st.

COG REPORT Mayor Wilson had nothing to report.


SOLICITOR'S REPORT Solicitor Barry had nothing to report.

BOROUGH MANAGER'S REPORT Ms. Bastianini said a preconstruction meeting took place with the contractor for the 2018 roadway improvement project, which would begin at the end of next week. She said the TriCog Land Bank acquired its first properties at sheriff sale, one of which is located in Edgewood Borough. She discussed the root rot affecting trees in Memorial Park, and said a second arborist had been brought in, who confirmed that the trees are suffering from root rot. Testing of the trees to determine the extent of the rot would cost \$1,150. Extensive pruning would also be needed, and would give the trees an uncertain chance of survival. Council discussed the public safety concern with these trees being located so close to heavily traveled roadways. They also discussed plans to replant the trees. It was decided that the trees should be removed in order to protect lives and property, and that Council would engage with the shade tree committee to discuss replanting options. Ms. Bastianini also discussed the emergency repairs taking place on the Borough Building bell tower. Ms. Bastianini said bids were opened for the Sanders Avenue crosswalk installation, and the total was \$160,420. This well exceeds the \$95,000 estimate for the project. Council discussed the crosswalk, and that \$92,000 worth of grant funding was available for the project.

M-2 It was moved by Mr. Wainright and seconded by Mr. O'Donnell to adjourn at 8:40 pm.

DISCUSSION: None.

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


Julie P. Bastianini, Borough Manager

