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BOROUGH OF EDGEWOOD MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD SEPTEMBER 3, 2019

President Schaefer called the meeting of the Borough of Edgewood to order at 7:35 pm in the Municipal Building.

ROLL CALL

Upon roll call, the following responded: Mr. Bright, Dr. Wallace, Mr. O'Donnell, Dr. Petrolla, Mr. Fuller and Ms. Schaefer. Councilmember Wainright was absent along with Mayor Wilson. Solicitor Tim Barry was present.

PLEDGE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR:

Amanda Cale (210 Elm Street) spoke about the rat problem on Elm Street.

Natasha Kandiver (226 Elm Street) spoke about the rat problem on Elm Street.

Kathleen McBoyd of Dewey Street spoke about the lack of code enforcement in the borough and Agnes Lesko of 199 Dewey also spoke about the lack of code enforcement in the borough.

Ms. Schaefer addressed the rat issue by explaining to residents that the code officer has been working with the owner of the Edgewood Court Apartments to control the rat problem. The borough will talk to PennDOT about trimming the hillside along the Parkway East. The purpose of the informational flier that was distributed by the borough was to educate residents on how to avoid a rat problem and she asked that anyone with a property maintenance issue should notify the borough so that it can be investigated. The code officer will be patrolling to enforce property maintenance issues.

Adam Faris (160 Race Street) asked if DPW could shorten the no parking line recently painted near the private alley across from his home. It is over fifteen feet long and takes up an entire parking space. The manager said he would address it.

AUTHORIZATION TO PAY BILLS

M-1 Dr. Wallace 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 \$29,687.39. Second Mr. Fuller.

DISCUSSION: none.

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

COMMITTEE ACTION

Mr. O'Donnell made a second reading of Ordinance 1065:

ORDINANCE 1065

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF EDGEWOOD, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, AMENDING CHAPTER 49 OF THE EDGEWOOD CODE, POLICE DEPARTMENT, ARTICLE I §49-1 MEMBERSHIP AND CLASSIFICATIONS; ELIMINATING CERTAIN CLASSIFICATIONS AND STAFFING REQUIREMENTS; ADDING NEW §49-3 BOROUGH COUNCIL DETERMINES THE NUMBER OF PATROL OFFICERS.

Second by Dr. Wallace

DISCUSSION: None.

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

Mr. O'Donnell made the final reading of Ordinance 1065. Second Dr. Wallace.

DISCUSSION: None.

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

- Ms. Schaefer then asked "Shall this ordinance pass?" Upon roll call vote the following responded yes: Mr. Bright, Dr. Wallace, Mr. O'Donnell, Dr. Petrolla, Mr. Fuller and Ms. Schaefer. **Motion carried**
- **M-5** Dr. Petrolla made a second reading of Ordinance 1066:

ORDINANCE NO. 1066

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF EDGEWOOD, COUNTY OF ALLEGHENY, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, AMENDING THE BOROUGH CODE CHAPTER 177, ARTICLE 2 ("EXCAVATIONS AND OPENINGS"), PARAGRAPH 'E' TO REQUIRE ADDITIONAL RESTORATION REQUIREMENTS FOR TRENCHES WITHIN THE ROAD SURFACE EXTENDING 50 FEET OR LONGER AND TO REQUIRE ADDITIONAL RESTORATION REQUIREMENTS FOR DISTURBANCE OF CROSSWALKS.

Second By Dr. Wallace

DISCUSSION: None.

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

M-6 Dr. Petrolla made the final reading of Ordinance 1066. Second Dr. Wallace

DISCUSSION: None.

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

- Ms. Schaefer then asked "Shall this ordinance pass?" Upon roll call vote the following responded yes: Mr. Bright, Dr. Wallace, Mr. O'Donnell, Dr. Petrolla, Mr. Fuller and Ms. Schaefer. Motion carried
- Mr. O'Donnell read the following Resolution:

BOROUGH OF EDGEWOOD RESOLUTION 2019-09

RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF EDGEWOOD APPROVING CREATION OF A DISABLED PERSON PARKING SPACE

WHEREAS, the Borough of Edgewood recognizes the need for parking for its disabled residents, and

WHEREAS, one disable person parking space shall be created at 1130 East End Avenue in the Borough of Edgewood to be marked and used for a handicapped parking space; and

WHEREAS, the disabled person parking space shall be permitted for one year and upon the expiration of one year to be submitted and reevaluated the Borough of Edgewood for approval for an additional year with the process to continue from year to year until the handicapped need is removed or the premises are sold; and

WHEREAS, in the event that there is no longer a need for a disabled person parking space or in the event that the property has been sold, the placard and markings shall be removed shall be removed.

ADOPTED this 3rd day of September, 2019.

Second by Mr. Bright.

DISCUSSION: None.

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

The board held an executive session from 8:30-9:15 to discuss a personnel matter and a contractual matter.

Mr. Fuller moved to hire James Edgar as a full time police officer having met the satisfactory completion of a physical, psychological and background examination. Second Dr. Petrolla

DISCUSSION: None.

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

M-10 Mr. O'Donnell motioned to adopt the Police Department Sick Leave Policy effective October 1, 2019.
Second Mr. Fuller.

DISCUSSION: Solicitor Barry explained that this policy was the result of contract negotiations.

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

M-11 Dr. Wallace moved to approve the tentative agreement with the Edgewood Police Department for the period of October 1, 2019 through December 31, 2024. Second Mr. Fuller.

DISCUSSION: Ms. Schaefer thanked everyone involved with negotiations for their hard work and professionalism throughout the process.

BUSINESS MEETING

VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT No report given.

WATER AUTHORITY REPORT Mr. Fuller reported there were no material deficiencies in the authority audit. Overnight work is occurring for the Kenmawr Bridge replacement.

RECREATION REPORT The manager reported that soccer has 130 participants and games start Saturday...

PLANNING COMMISSION Mr. Zahorchak said the commission did not meet.

COG REPORT Mayor Wilson was absent.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT The solicitor had nothing to report.

BOROUGH MANAGER'S REPORT Mr. Zahorchak reported that the year 46 CDBG application was submitted for ADA ramps at Hawthorne & Maple Avenue, Walnut & E. Swissvale Avenue, and School & Race Streets. The chairlift

install using CDBG yr 45 funds was approved and will be let for bid shortly. Masonry repairs on the building start September 9 and must be complete by November 30. S. Braddock Avenue crosswalks will be installed over the next two weeks through the TAP Grant.

NEW BUSINESS: none.

M-12 It was moved by Mr. Fuller and seconded by Mr. O'Donnell to adjourn at 9:17 pm.

DISCUSSION: None.

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

Rob Zahorchak, Borough Manager