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Adjournment

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**BOROUGH OF EDGEWOOD**  
**MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD JANUARY 6, 2020**

Mayor Wilson called the reorganizational meeting of the Borough of Edgewood to order at 7:30 pm in the Municipal Building.

Manager Zahorchak collected Certificates of Election from the newly elected officials and Judge Kim Hoots swore in the newly elected officials.

**OATH OF OFFICE**

I, Ben Love, 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 my elected office for the Borough of Edgewood with fidelity.

**OATH OF OFFICE**

I, Tara Yaney, 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 my elected office for the Borough of Edgewood with fidelity.

**ROLL CALL**

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

Mayor Wilson and Solicitor Barry were also present.

**PLEDGE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**ELECTION OF COUNCIL OFFICERS**

Mayor Wilson asked for nominations for Council President.

**M-1** Mr. O'Donnell nominated Mr. Wainright for Council President.

There being no further nominations, Mayor Wilson closed nominations for Council President.

The aye vote on the motion was unanimous 7-0. **Motion carried.**

Mayor Wilson asked for nominations for Council Vice President.

**M-2** Dr. Petrolla nominated Mr. O'Donnell for Council Vice President.

There being no further nominations, Mayor Wilson closed nominations for Council Vice President.

The aye vote on the motion was unanimous 7-0. **Motion carried.**

Mayor Wilson asked for nominations for President Pro Tem.

**M-3** Mr. Wainright nominated Mr. Love for President Pro Tem.

There being no further nominations, Mayor Wilson closed nominations for President Pro Tem.

The aye vote on the motion was unanimous 7-0. **Motion carried.**

Mayor Wilson then turned the gavel over to President Wainright.

ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR

Mr. Wainright asked for public comment, there was none.

Mr. Wainright asked any residents present who were interested in being appointed to fill the vacancy on council step forward and address council. Three individuals appeared and spoke to their qualifications to serve; Mitchell Browerman, George Fuller, and Ian Lee.

**M-4** Dr. Petrolla moved to appoint George Fuller to fill the vacant council position for a period of two years until the next election. Second Mr. O'Donnell.

DISCUSSION: None

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

Mayor Wilson swore in Mr. Fuller.

OATH OF OFFICE

I, George Fuller, 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 my appointed office for the Borough of Edgewood with fidelity.

Mr. Fuller took his seat with the rest of council.

**M-5** Mr. O'Donnell read Resolution 2020-01. Second by Dr. Petrolla.

**RESOLUTION 2018-01**

**WHEREAS**, the Council of the Borough of Edgewood recognizes the importance of maintaining a productive, experienced and professional management staff; and

**WHEREAS, ROB ZAHORCHAK** has satisfactorily served in the position of Borough Manager/Secretary;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that **ROB ZAHORCHAK** be reappointed to the position of Borough Manager/Secretary for fiscal year 2020 at a salary of \$75,705.

**ADOPTED THIS THE** 6th day of January, 2020, by the Council of the Borough of Edgewood.

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

**M-6** Dr. Petrolla read Resolution 2020-02. Second by Mr. Fuller.

**RESOLUTION 2020-02**

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Edgewood recognizes the importance of managing and maintaining a professional and well trained Police Department; and

**WHEREAS**, Robert C. Payne has exhibited both the knowledge and ability to serve in the capacity of Chief of Police with integrity and excellence;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that **ROBERT C. PAYNE** be reappointed as Chief of Police for the Borough of Edgewood for fiscal year 2020 at a salary of \$91,325.

**ADOPTED THIS THE** 6th day of January, 2020 by the Council of the Borough of Edgewood.

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

**M-7** Mr. Fuller read Resolution 2020-03. Second by Mr. Bright

**RESOLUTION 2020-03**

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Edgewood has the need for professional financial and accounting staff; and

**WHEREAS**, this position is integral to the overall professional management and administration of the Borough;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that **JANET GERBER** be reappointed to the position of Finance/Administrator for fiscal year 2020 at a salary of \$51,124.

**ADOPTED THIS THE** 6th day of January, 2020 by the Council of the Borough of Edgewood.

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

**M-8** Mr. Bright read Resolution 2020-04. Second by Ms. Yaney

**RESOLUTION 2020-04**

**WHEREAS**, the Council of the Borough of Edgewood recognizes the importance of retaining legal counsel on behalf of the Borough; and

**WHEREAS, W. TIMOTHY BARRY, ESQUIRE** has exhibited the knowledge, ability and dedication to the Borough in his service as Borough Solicitor;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that **W. TIMOTHY BARRY, ESQUIRE** be reappointed as Borough Solicitor. The 2016 retainer shall be at a rate of \$1,300 per month. All work performed by the Solicitor outside the parameters of regular Borough business will be paid at a rate of \$180 per hour for Mr. Timothy Barry and Associates; and shall be discussed with the appropriate committee for authorization.

**ADOPTED THIS THE** 6th day of January, 2020 by the Council of the Borough of Edgewood.

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

**M-9** Ms. Yaney read Resolution 2020-05. Second by Mr. Love.

**RESOLUTION 2020-05**

**WHEREAS**, the Council of the Borough of Edgewood recognizes the importance of maintaining a professional and certified Code Enforcement staff; and

**WHEREAS, BUILDING INSPECTION UNDERWRITERS, INC.** has exhibited both the knowledge and ability to provide Building Inspection and Code Enforcement services for the Borough of Edgewood;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that **BUILDING INSPECTION UNDERWRITERS, INC.** be responsible for Building Inspection and Code Enforcement.

**ADOPTED THIS THE 6th day of January, 2020**, by the Council of the Borough of Edgewood.

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

**M-10** Mr. Love read Resolution 2020-06. Second by Mr. O'Donnell.

**RESOLUTION 2020-06**

**WHEREAS**, the Council of the Borough of Edgewood recognizes the importance of retaining an engineering firm on behalf of the Borough; and

**WHEREAS, LENNON, SMITH, SOULERET ENGINEERING, INC.** has exhibited both the knowledge and ability to serve in the capacity of Borough Engineer;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that **LENNON, SMITH, SOULERET, INC.** be reappointed to the position of Borough Engineer.

**ADOPTED THIS THE 6th day of January, 2020**, by the Council of the Borough of Edgewood.

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

**M-11** Mr. O'Donnell read Resolution 2020-07. Second by Dr. Petrolla

**RESOLUTION 2018-07**

**WHEREAS**, the Council of the Borough of Edgewood recognizes the importance of retaining a bank depository on behalf of the Borough;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that **PNC BANK** be appointed as Borough Depositories for a one-year term effective immediately.

**ADOPTED THIS THE 6th day of January, 2020**, by the Council of the Borough of Edgewood.

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

**M-12** Dr. Petrolla read Resolution 2020-08. Second by Mr. Fuller.

**RESOLUTION 2020-08**

**WHEREAS**, the Council of the Borough of Edgewood recognizes the importance of fiscal transparency and accounting accuracy;

**WHEREAS**, the Council of the Borough of Edgewood desires the borough to undergo an annual internal audit;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Borough of Edgewood hereby appoints **MAHER DUESSEL** as the borough's auditing firm until the next reorganization meeting of the Council of the Borough of Edgewood.

**ADOPTED THIS THE** 6th day of January, 2020, by the Council of the Borough of Edgewood.

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

**M-13** Mr. Fuller read Resolution 2020-09. Second by Mr. Bright.

**RESOLUTION 2020-09**

**WHEREAS**, the Council of the Borough of Edgewood recognizes the importance of transparency in local government;

**WHEREAS**, the Council of the Borough of Edgewood desires to advertise all meetings, contracts, bids and other announcements,

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Borough of Edgewood hereby designates the **PITTSBURGH POST GAZETTE** as its official newspaper of general circulation.

**ADOPTED THIS THE** 6th day of January, 2020, by the Council of the Borough of Edgewood.

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

**M-14** Mr. Bright read Resolution 2020-10. Second by Ms. Yaney.

**RESOLUTION 2020-10**

**WHEREAS**, the Council of the Borough of Edgewood recognizes the importance of maintaining a productive and effective governing body; and

**WHEREAS**, the Council of the Borough of Edgewood recognizes the importance and need to fill Council vacancies promptly; and

**WHEREAS**, Article IX, Section 901 of the Borough Code provides for a Vacancy Board; and

**WHEREAS**, the Vacancy Board shall consist of Borough Council exclusive of the Mayor, and one registered elector of the Borough, who shall serve as Chairman of the Vacancy Board;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Borough of Edgewood hereby appoints **JENNIFER GLEBA** to the Vacancy Board until the next reorganization meeting of the Council of the Borough of Edgewood.

**ADOPTED THIS THE 6th day of January, 2020**, by the Council of the Borough of Edgewood.

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

**M-15** Ms. Yaney read Resolution 2020-11. Second by Mr. Love

**RESOLUTION 2020-11**

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Edgewood recognizes the importance of aesthetics and maintaining the character of the Borough; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Edgewood has an active and involved Planning Commission; and

**WHEREAS**, **JAMES SEGEDY** has exhibited the desire, knowledge and ability to contribute positively to the Planning Commission

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Edgewood Borough Council appoints **JAMES SEGEDY** to the Edgewood Borough Planning Commission to a term which will expire December 31, 2023.

**ADOPTED THIS THE 6th day of January, 2020** by the Council of the Borough of Edgewood.

Upon roll call vote the following responded yes: Mr. Bright, Mr. Love, Mr. O'Donnell, Ms. Yaney, and Mr. Wainright. Mr. Fuller and Dr. Petrolla voted no. **Motion carried**

**M-16** Mr. Love read Resolution 2020-12. Second by Mr. O'Donnell.

**RESOLUTION 2020-12**

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Edgewood recognizes the importance of aesthetics and maintaining the character of the Borough; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Edgewood has an active and involved Planning Commission; and

**WHEREAS**, **EDWARD COOK** has exhibited the desire, knowledge and ability to contribute positively to the Planning Commission

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Edgewood Borough Council appoints **EDWARD COOK** to the Edgewood Borough Planning Commission to a term which will expire December 31, 2023.

**ADOPTED THIS THE 6th day of January, 2020** by the Council of the Borough of Edgewood.

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



**M-17** Mr. O'Donnell read Resolution 2020-13. Second by Dr. Petrolla

**RESOLUTION 2020-13**

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Edgewood recognizes the importance of aesthetics and maintaining the character of the Borough; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Edgewood has an active and involved Planning Commission; and

**WHEREAS, SAMARA WHEATON** has exhibited the desire, knowledge and ability to contribute positively to the Planning Commission

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Edgewood Borough Council appoints **SAMARA WHEATON** to the Edgewood Borough Planning Commission to a term which will expire December 31, 2023.

**ADOPTED THIS THE** 6th day of January, 2020 by the Council of the Borough of Edgewood.

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

**M-18** Dr. Petrolla read Resolution 2020-14. Second by Mr. Fuller.

**RESOLUTION 2020-14**

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Edgewood recognizes the importance having a well-established Zoning Hearing Board; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough understands the complex zoning issues a community can face; and

**WHEREAS, JAMES GLADYS** has exhibited the dedication, knowledge and ability to contribute positively to the Zoning Hearing Board.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Edgewood Borough Council hereby appoints **JAMES GLADYS** to the Zoning Hearing Board to a term which will expire December 31, 2021.

**ADOPTED THIS THE** 6th day of January, 2020 by the Council of the Borough of Edgewood.

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

**M-19** Mr. Fuller read Resolution 2020-15. Second by Mr. Bright.

**RESOLUTION 2020-15**

**WHEREAS**, the Council of the Borough of Edgewood recognizes the need to maintain a Zoning Officer to administer its zoning ordinance, and

**WHEREAS, LEE MILLER** has exhibited both the knowledge and ability to provide zoning enforcement and administration for the Borough of Edgewood;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that **LEE MILLER** be appointed Zoning Officer for the Borough of Edgewood until the next reorganization meeting of the Council of the Borough of Edgewood.

**ADOPTED THIS THE 6th day of January, 2020**, by the Council of the Borough of Edgewood.

Upon roll call vote the following responded yes: Mr. Bright, Mr. Love, Mr. O'Donnell, Ms. Yaney, and Mr. Wainright. Mr. Fuller and Dr. Petrolla voted no. **Motion carried**

**M-20** Mr. Bright read Resolution 2020-16. Second by Ms. Yaney.

**RESOLUTION 2020-16**

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Edgewood has a Civil Service Commission;

**WHEREAS**, it is the desire of the Borough Council to maintain a degree of continuity and experience on the Civil Service Commission;

**WHEREAS, CINDY BAHN** has exhibited knowledge and ability to make positive contributions to the Civil Service Commission.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Edgewood Borough Council will hereby appoint **CINDY BAHN** to the Civil Service Commission to a term which will expire December 31, 2025.

**ADOPTED** this the 6th day of January, 2020 at the meeting of the Council of the Borough of Edgewood.

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

President Wainright stated he would be creating the new committee assignments in the coming week and asked all council members to contact him if they were interested in a particular committee.

**AUTHORIZATION TO PAY BILLS**

**M-21** Mr. O'Donnell 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 \$86,688.55 and from the Sewer Fund in the amount of \$1,577.16 for a total of \$88,265.71. Second Dr. Petrolla.


**DISCUSSION:** Mr. O'Donnell said bill list was fairly routine and contained some bills from 2019.

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

**M-22** It was moved by Mr. Fuller and seconded by Dr. Petrolla to adjourn at 8:05 pm.

**DISCUSSION:** None.

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

  
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Rob Zahorchak, Borough Manager