

EDGEWORTH BOROUGH COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
February 17, 2015

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MEETING was called to order at 7:30 p.m. with President of Council Mr. Joseph T. Hoepp presiding and the following members of Council and officials of the Borough present: Mr. Joseph T. Hoepp, Dr. Gary L. Smith, Mr. Gregory J. Marlovits, Mr. Ivan T. Hofmann, Mr. David T. Aloe, Mr. Daniel S. Wilson, Mrs. Carrie Duffield, Mayor Wayne T. Murphy, Borough Manager/Secretary Martin C. McDaniel, and Mr. Brock E. McCandless, Esq., representing the Borough Solicitor.

MINUTES of the Regular Meeting held on January 20, 2015 were presented to Council. After some review and discussion, the motion of Mr. Hofmann, seconded by Mr. Wilson that the January 20, 2015 Regular Meeting Minutes be approved as presented was unanimously carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT for the month of January 2015 was presented to Council. After review and discussion, this report was ordered received and filed.

INVESTMENT REPORT as of February 17, 2015 was presented to Council. After review and discussion, this report was ordered received and filed.

FINANCIAL REPORT for the month of January 2015 was presented to Council. After review and discussion, this report was ordered received and filed.

BILLS PAYABLE for the month of February 2015 in the amount of \$145,258.27 and a voucher be drawn on the Schedule Expenditures Account in the amount of \$5,133.57 were presented to Council as per the following lists.

General Account

Scheduled Expenditures Account

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|------|------------------------------|----------------------------|------------|
| 6052 | Alleg. CO. Conservation Dist | E-S Permit Storage Yard    | \$700.00   |
| 6053 | H.C. Global                  | Police Portable Radio      | \$704.95   |
| 6054 | Lennon Smith Souleret Inc.   | Engineering Services       | \$2,328.62 |
| 6055 | Trans Associates Engineering | McDonald's Engineer Review | \$1,400.00 |

Such bills were reviewed by Council and the motion of Mr. Aloe seconded by Mr. Smith that a voucher be drawn on the General Account in the amount of \$145,258.27 and a voucher be drawn on the Schedule Expenditures Account in the amount of \$5,133.57, was unanimously carried.

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT for the month of January 2015 was presented to Council. After some review and discussion, this report was ordered received and filed.

DISTRICT JUSTICE REPORT for the month of January 2015 was presented to Council. District Justice Robert L. Ford, for District Court No. 05-03-02, reported remitting fines in the amount of \$1,106.46 to the Borough for January 2015. After review and discussion this report was ordered received and filed.

POLICE REPORT for the month of January 2015 was presented to Council. After some review and discussion, this report was ordered received and filed.

FIRE REPORT for the month of January 2015. After review and discussion this report was received and filed.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT for the month of January 2015 was presented to Council. Mr. Marlovits asked Mr. McDaniel about the available salt supply for the Borough. Mr. McDaniel indicated that we were below estimated usage, and the supply was more than adequate. After review and discussion, this report was ordered received and filed.

BUILDING PERMIT and ZONING PERMIT REPORTS for the month of January 2015 were presented to Council. After review and discussion, these reports were ordered received and filed.

QUAKER VALLEY COG REPORT for the month of January 2015 was presented to Council.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- Ohio River Trail Council kick off meeting announcement
- Minutes from the Edgeworth Municipal Authority and the Leetsdale Municipal Authority were received. Mr. Aloe noted the raises that were proposed in the budget for the Authorities did not seem to be in line with current industry trends. After discussion, Mayor Murphy agreed to discuss the budgets and raises with Edgeworth Borough representatives Mr. Casper and Mr. McCormack.

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS CONCERNING NON-AGENDA ITEMS: No visitors present.

OLD BUSINESS:

ACTION CONCERNING ORDINANCE NO. 537: AN ORDINANCE REPEALING RESTRICTIONS ON FIREARMS. Council was presented with Ordinance No. 537: An Ordinance Repealing Restrictions on Firearms. This ordinance was drafted by the Borough Solicitor and advertised publicly. Repealing the existing firearms ordinance will reduce the Borough's exposure to potential lawsuits based on recent legislative changes. A motion was made by Mr. Aloe with a second from Dr. Smith to adopt Ordinance No. 537. A roll call vote was taken, and all members of Borough Council voted unanimously in favor.

NEW BUSINESS:

NPDES PERMIT APPLICATION REGARDING MUNICIPAL SEPARATE STORM SEWER SYSTEM (MS4) AND FUTURE ORDINANCE CHANGES: Mr. McDaniel presented a letter to Council from Borough Engineer Lennon Smith Souleret Inc. which outlined upcoming NPDES permitting changes. Mr. McDaniel indicated that in order to comply with Pennsylvania DEP regulations the Borough will have to adopt two ordinance changes, and these changes must be made prior to June 2015 when the Borough's first annual report is due. Council authorized Mr. McDaniel to coordinate the draft of the ordinances with the Borough Solicitor and Borough Engineer, and present them for Planning Commission review on March 11, 2015, and for Borough Council review on March 17, 2015.

OTHER BUSINESS:

PROPERTY COMMITTEE REPORT: Mr. Hofmann reported to Borough Council that the Property Committee held a meeting to discuss possible changes to the sign ordinance that were requested by a group of realtors who are residents in the Borough. The realtors were seeking an exception from the ordinance to temporarily place “open house” signs in the public right of way on the day of the open house. The concern with this is that exceptions to the ordinance cannot be based on content, and if the ordinance was to change then all types of signs would be permitted in the public right of way. After discussion with the Solicitor, the Borough Council decided that the ordinance will remain as it stands without any changes. Mr. McDaniel was asked to write a letter to the group indicating that the ordinance would remain unchanged.

LITTLE SEWICKLEY CREEK SEWER EXTENSION: Mr. McDaniel distributed the draft of an agreement prepared by the Solicitor that would be circulated among the residents along Little Sewickley Creek Road in order to move forward with the sewer line extension project. The intent is to attempt to have all residents agree to the sewer line extension.

PROPOSED BOROUGH SANITARY SEWER TAP IN FEE: Mr. McDaniel informed Borough Council that the Borough Engineer has prepared sanitary sewer tap in fee rates that Council could consider for adoption. These fees will vary throughout the Borough based on trunk line size and line capacity. An ordinance will be drafted by the Solicitor. Mr. McDaniel will forward it to the Sewer Committee for review and discussion before Borough Council.

There being no further business, the meeting on motion duly made and seconded was adjourned at 9:02 p.m.

Martin C. McDaniel  
Borough Manager/Secretary