

EDGEWORTH BOROUGH COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
January 19, 2016

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MEETING was called to order at 7:35 p.m. with President Joseph T. Hoeppe presiding and the following members of Council and officials of the Borough present: Mr. Joseph T. Hoeppe, Dr. Gary L. Smith, Mr. David T. Aloe, Mr. Ivan T. Hofmann, Mr. Daniel S. Wilson, Mrs. Carrie A. Duffield, Mr. Gregory Marlovits, Mayor Wayne T. Murphy, Administrative Assistant John F. Schwend, and Mr. Brendan Lucas, Esq., representing the Borough Solicitor.

CORRESPONDENCE REGARDING PROPOSED BIKE LANES: Mr. Hoeppe introduced Mr. John Orndorff made a presentation to Council regarding the "Complete Streets" concept that he has been working on with the Ohio River Trail Council to incorporate bike lanes in Edgeworth Borough. Mr. Orndorff provided Council with a proposal that included the Borough agreeing to have an elected official participate in a workshop introducing the complete streets program, contribute \$500.00 towards the expense of the workshop and to agree to pay for the services of a solicitor, engineer and or public safety provider when and if needed to develop a complete streets policy resolution. Mr. Aloe and Mr. Hofmann asked questions about vehicles safely passing bicycles along the route, and the possibility of using other streets in the Borough as opposed to Beaver Road. Mr. Marlovits offered to be the elected official that participates in the workshop, however Council expressed concerns with the idea of agreeing to fund engineers and solicitors fees towards the project. Mr. Hoeppe thanked Mr. Orndorff for the presentation and referred the matter to the Streets Committee.

MINUTES of the Regular Meeting held on December 15, 2015 were presented to Council. After some review and discussion, the motion of Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Aloe that the December 15, 2015 Regular Meeting Minutes be approved as amended was unanimously carried.

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

INVESTMENT REPORT as of January 19, 2016 was presented to Council. After review and discussion, this report was ordered received and filed.

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

BILLS PAYABLE for the month of January 2016 in the amount of \$820,445.16 and a voucher be drawn on the Schedule Expenditures Account in the amount of \$9,008.47 were presented to Council as per the following list.

Scheduled Expenditures Account

6098	Belson Outdoors	Shelter Grills	\$1,240.64
6099	Garvin Boward Beitko		VOID
6100	Joseph Hajnas Assoc.	Engineer's Fees	\$360.00
6101	Lennon Smith Souleret	Engineer's Fees	\$1,226.55
6102	Studio B Kay Weigand	Wall Paper	\$2,326.27
6103	Trans Associates	Engineer's Fees	\$1,823.51
6104	Garvin Boward Beitko	Engineer's Fees	\$2,031.50

Such bills were reviewed by Council and the motion of Mr. Wilson seconded by Mr. Aloe that a voucher be drawn on the General Account in the amount of \$820,445.16 and a voucher be drawn on the Schedule Expenditures Account in the amount of \$ 9,008.47, was unanimously carried.

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

DISTRICT JUSTICE REPORT for the month of December 2015 was presented to Council. District Justice Robert L. Ford, for District Court No. 05-03-02, reported remitting fines in the amount of \$973.80 to the Borough for the month. After review and discussion this report was ordered received and filed.

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

FIRE REPORT for the month of December 2015 was presented to Council. It was noted that there were no fire alarms reported at Sewickley Academy in December. After review and discussion this report was ordered received and filed.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT for the month of December 2015 was presented to Council. Mr. Schwend reported that there had been relatively few call-outs for snow removal and the salt 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 December 2015 were presented to Council. After review and discussion, these reports were ordered received and filed.

QUAKER VALLEY COG REPORT – No report available. Mr. Schwend reported that 2016 was the final year for the contract with Waste Management and that the COG was preparing to create a specification to send out to bid. A motion was made by Mr. Hofmann with a second from Mr. Marlovits to participate in the COG bidding process. All members of Council voted in favor of the motion.

#### CORRESPONDENCE:

- The monthly meeting minutes from the Edgeworth Municipal Authority were ordered received and filed.
- The annual report from the Leetsdale Municipal Authority was ordered received and filed.
- A thank you letter from Leetsdale Mayor Pete Ponisky was received.
- Correspondence was received from Mrs. Gail Murray in response to the proposed demolition of Muottas.
- Correspondence received from Mr. John Orndorff regarding a grant sponsorship for proposed bike lanes.

#### RECOGNITION OF VISITORS CONCERNING NON-AGENDA ITEMS:

The following visitors were present:

Ms. Gail Murray, 605 Maple Lane  
Mrs. Bobbi Bonnett, 102 Woodland Road

Mr. John Orndorff – Ohio River Trail Council  
Mr. Hal Bonnett, 102 Woodland Road

Mr. Grant Scott, 413 Maple Lane  
Mr. Harton Semple, Sew. Val. Hist. Society  
Mr. Jim Bouchard, Sewickley Boro Resident  
Ms. Larissa Dudkiewicz – Sewickley Herald  
Mr. Grant Duffield, Orchard Lane

Mr. G.B. Patterson, 311 Myrtle Lane  
Mr. Bob Serafin, 11 Little Sew. Creek Rd.  
Dr. Timothy Brown, 9 Little Sew. Creek Rd.  
Mr. Mike Tomana, 218 Edgeworth Lane  
Mr. Greg Pilewicz, 100 Hazel Lane

Visitors representing the Sewickley Valley Historical Society addressed Council about their concern for preserving historic houses in Edgeworth, and that Council work with the historical society and concerned residents towards this goal. It was also suggested that the demolition permitting process needs revisited and that it is too easy for property owners to secure demolition permits. Mr. Hoepf stated that Council will take into consideration concerns of the residents, and revisited the work that Edgeworth Preservation proposed previously. Historical districts would have to be established as opposed to an effort to protect single properties, unless the property owner chose to place a protective covenant on their property.

Mr. Tomana addressed Council about the letter that he sent reflecting his concerns about traffic safety on Hazel Lane. Mr. Hoepf stated that the letter and concerns will be referred to the Police Committee for discussion.

#### OLD BUSINESS:

#### ACTION ON THE EDGEWORTH SQUARE SHOPPES LAND DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION:

As per the motion for approval granted to the project at the December 15, 2015 Council meeting, a written agreement between the Developer and the owners of the Esmark Center (100 Hazel Lane) was to be received by Council prior to the January 19, 2016 Council Meeting. Mr. Scott was present and stated that no agreement had been reached, but he requested that Council revise their motion for approval since the access drive from the proposed development directly abuts the Edgeworth Square property which is also owned by him. Mr. Scott stated that he will put up a “no left turn” sign at the exit, and that he believes no agreement needs to be made between himself and the owners of the Esmark Center since the proposed access to the development does not abut their property. After some discussion, Mr. Scott requested that Council allow an amendment to the plan which would have a formed driveway allowing only right hand turns. Council was advised by the Solicitor to deny the request due to the fact that the plan was approved with conditions and a determination letter was sent to the Developer which stated that any changes or alterations would require a new application. No action was taken, and due to the fact that a written agreement between the developer and the owners of the Esmark Center was not received, the plan was deemed not approved.

NEW BUSINESS: - No new business

#### OTHER BUSINESS:

Mr. Hofmann, Chairman of the Property Committee updated Council on proposed Zoning Ordinance revisions to clarify wording related to small retaining walls and impervious surface definitions. The Borough Engineer had drafted changes for review. Mr. Hofmann reported that the Committee has made a few changes to the proposal, and that a revised ordinance should be prepared for review prior to the February Council meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Council entered Executive Session at 9:25 p.m. to discuss a litigation matter and personnel matters. Council reentered regular session at 9:45 p.m.

A motion was made by Mr. Marlovits with a second by Mrs. Duffield to have the Borough Solicitor file an appeal of the decision of the Common Pleas Court which directed the Borough to issue a tree removal permit for the resident at 432 Oliver Road. All members present voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Mr. Hofmann with a second from Dr. Smith to approve the terms of the letter dated January 5, 2016 to Mr. Martin McDaniel in light of his anticipated retirement on March 31, 2016, and to approve the Independent Contractor Agreement with Mr. Martin McDaniel dated January 19, 2016. All present voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Mr. Aloe with a second from Mrs. Duffield to approve the terms of the employment letter dated December 17, 2015 to Mr. John Schwend in light of Mr. McDaniel's anticipated retirement on March 31, 2016. All present voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

There being no further business, the meeting on motion duly made and seconded was adjourned at 9:50 p.m.

Martin C. McDaniel – Borough Manager/Secretary