

EDGEWORTH BOROUGH COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
April 21, 2026

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MEETING was called to order at 7:00 p.m. with Council President Joseph T. Hoepp presiding and the following members of Council and officials of the Borough present: Mr. Joseph T. Hoepp, Mr. Ivan T. Hofmann, Mr. Gregory J. Marlovits, Mrs. Elizabeth H. Genter, Mrs. Katherine D. Larsen, Ms. Rebecca Mahr Cartus, Mayor Gary L. Smith, Borough Manager Ellen E. Politi, and Borough Solicitor Mr. Philip Weis.

Mr. Hoepp stated that there would be a change to the order of the Agenda, and Council would take action concerning Resolution 2026-06 – Recognition of Chief John Burlett Upon His Retirement found on the Agenda under New Business.

ACTION CONCERNING RESOLUTION 2026-06 – RECOGNITION OF CHIEF JOHN BURLETT UPON HIS RETIREMENT: Mr. Hoepp presented Chief Burlett with a framed article regarding his retirement from the Sewickley Herald. Mr. Hoepp thanked Chief Burlett for his years of dedication and service to the Borough and stated that he would be missed by residents and Council. Chief Burlett thanked Mr. Hoepp and Council and stated what an honor it had been to serve Edgeworth Borough for the past 38 years. After further congratulations and discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Hofmann with a second from Mrs. Larsen to adopt Resolution 2026-06 – Recognition of Chief John Burlett Upon His Retirement. All present voted in favor of the motion.

MINUTES of the Regular Meeting held on March 17, 2026 were presented to Council. After discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Hofmann with a second by Mrs. Genter to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes from March 17, 2026. All present voted in favor of the motion.

TREASURER’S REPORT for the month of March 2026 was presented to Council. After discussion, this report was ordered received and filed.

FINANCIAL REPORT for the month of March 2026 was presented to Council. After review and discussion, this report was ordered received and filed.

BILLS PAYABLE for the month of March 2026 were presented to Council as follows: General Expenditures, in the amount of \$280,714.90 and Scheduled Expenditures, in the amount of \$40,248.25 were presented to Council as per the following list.

<u>Scheduled Expenditures Account</u>			
312	Griffith	Grease Seal, Washer	\$2,627.89
313	Lennon Smith Souleret	Engineering Fees	\$28,956.50
314	Tall Timber Tree Experts	Stump Removals	\$4,850.00
315	Trans Associates	Engineering Fees	\$3,813.86

After some discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Hofmann with a second by Mrs. Larsen that a voucher be drawn on the General Account in the amount of \$280,714.90, and a voucher be drawn on the Scheduled Expenditures Account in the amount of \$40,248.25. The motion was unanimously carried by all members in attendance.

REAL ESTATE TAX COLLECTOR’S REPORT for the month of March 2026 was presented to Council. Jordan Tax Service reported collecting real estate taxes in the amount of \$0.00. After some review and discussion, this report was ordered received and filed.

DISTRICT JUSTICE REPORT for the month of March 2026 was presented to Council. District Justice Guiseppe Roselli, for District Court No. 05-03-02, reported remitting fines in the amount of \$1,137.95 to the Borough for the month. After discussion, this report was ordered received and filed.

POLICE REPORT for the month of March 2026 was presented to Council. Mrs. Larsen inquired about a noticeable decrease in traffic enforcement and Lieutenant Och replied that he would look into the matter. After further review and discussion, this report was ordered received and filed.

FIRE REPORT for the month of March 2026 was not available.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT for the month of March 2026 was presented to Council. Mr. Vicheck stated that his Laborers had been working hard to prepare for spring. He also stated the new mower was working well and would be a benefit to the department in the summer. After review and discussion, this report was ordered received and filed.

BUILDING PERMIT AND ZONING PERMIT REPORTS for the month of March 2026 were presented to Council. After discussion, the reports were ordered received and filed.

MS4 UPDATE AND PUBLIC PARTICIPATION for the month of March 2026 was presented to Council. After discussion, the report was ordered received and filed.

QUAKER VALLEY COG REPORT for the months of March and April 2026 were presented to Council. After discussion, the reports were ordered received and filed.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- A. Minutes from the Edgeworth Municipal Authority meeting were received.
- B. Minutes from the Leetsdale Municipal Authority meeting were received.
- C. A letter of resignation from the Zoning Hearing Board from Mrs. Elizabeth Wilson was received. After brief discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Hofmann with a second by Mrs. Larsen to accept Mrs. Wilson's letter of resignation. Council thanked her for her service to the Borough.
- D. A letter was received from SHACOG regarding the current rock salt agreement. Mrs. Politi stated that SHACOG will be bidding again in the summer and that the current provider has decided not to exercise the first-year option renewal. After brief discussion, Council thanked Mrs. Politi for the update.
- E. The Workers Compensation Pooled Trust and Liability Trust Dividend Reports from MRM were received.

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS CONCERNING NON-AGENDA ITEMS:

Mr. Hugh St. Martin – 609 Maple Lane  
Mr. William Lang – 617 Maple Lane  
Mr. Charlie Harris – 526 Irwin Drive  
Bonny Burlett  
Andy, Casey, and Garrett Burlett

OLD BUSINESS:

AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE DRAFT ORDINANCE 564 – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING PROVISIONS OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE SCALE OF ACCESSORY STRUCTURES:

Mrs. Politi explained that the revisions in this ordinance increase the total allowable square footage for accessory structures on a property. She stated that this Draft Ordinance had been reviewed and recommended by both the Property Committee and the Planning Commission. After brief discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Marlovits with a second by Ms. Mahr Cartus to authorize the advertisement of Draft Ordinance No. 564. All present voted in favor of the motion.

DISCUSSION REGARDING PROPOSED CHANGES TO LIGHTING ORDINANCE: Mrs. Politi stated that a Draft Ordinance had been prepared by the Borough Solicitor, establishing lighting as a nuisance outside of the Zoning Ordinance. She explained that the Draft had been presented to the Planning Commission and they had several concerns regarding subjectivity and enforcement. Mr. Hoeppe agreed that enforcement could become a problem. Mrs. Larsen and Mrs. Genter expressed their belief that a Lighting Ordinance was needed and that the Draft Ordinance was a good baseline. After brief further discussion, Mr. Hoeppe stated that the matter would be redirected back to the Property Committee and Borough Solicitor.

NEW BUSINESS:

APPOINTMENT OF MR. CHARLIE HARRIS TO THE ZONING HEARING BOARD: Mrs. Politi stated that Mr. Harris has served the Board as an excellent alternate and that Mrs. Wilson had recommended he be appointed to a full member upon her resignation. After brief discussion, a motion was made by Mrs. Genter with a second by Mrs. Larsen to appoint Mr. Charlie Harris to the Zoning Hearing Board. All present voted in favor of the motion.

ACTION CONCERNING AWARD OF CONTRACT NO. 26-S01 – CHURCH LANE SANITARY SEWER LINING (PHASE 2): Mrs. Politi stated that the Borough received three bids for this project and the lowest bid came from Insight Pipe Contracting in the amount of \$51,560.00. She stated that the bids had come in under budget, so she recommended including the add alternate of additional manhole repair and lining. Mrs. Genter asked how long the project would take to complete. Mr. Vicheck answered that the lining itself would take approximately one day and the project is expected to begin in early summer. After brief discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Hoeppe with a second from Mrs. Genter to accept the base bid from Insight Pipe Contracting in the amount of \$51,560.00 and Add Alternate 1 in the amount of \$16,600.00 for Contract No. 26-S01 – Church Lane Sanitary Sewer Lining (Phase 2). All present voted in favor of the motion.

ACTION CONCERNING AWARD OF CONTRACT NO. 26-SW01 – 2026 CONCRETE SIDEWALK AND CURB SPOT REPAIRS: Mrs. Politi stated that the Borough received four bids for this project and the lowest bid came from N&N Landscaping. She explained that the Borough Engineer had been marking sidewalks for replacement and the administrative staff will review all markings prior to notifying affected residents in early summer. After brief discussion, a motion was made by Mrs. Larsen with a second from Mr. Hofmann to accept the base bid from N&N Landscaping for Contract No. 26-SW01 – 2026 Concrete Sidewalk and Curb Spot Repairs. All present voted in favor of the motion.

ACTION CONCERNING AWARD OF CONTRACT NO. 26-R01 – 2026 ROADWAY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM: Mrs. Politi stated that the Borough received three bids for this project and the lowest bid came from Youngblood Paving in the amount of \$448,169.25 for the base bid of paving the Borough parking lot, Hazel Lane from Beaver Road to Ohio River Boulevard, Shields Lane from Maple Lane to Beaver Road, Pine Road from Chestnut Road to Edgeworth Lane, and one lane of Way Hollow Road from Woodland Road to the Borough line. Mrs. Politi explained that she did not suggest including

any of the add alternates due to the possibility that the cost of oil could rise and impact the overall cost of the project. After brief discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Hofmann with a second from Mrs. Larsen to accept the base bid from Youngblood Paving in the amount of \$448,169.25 for Contract No. 26-SW01 – 2026 Roadway Improvement Program. All present voted in favor of the motion.

ACTION CONCERNING RESOLUTION 2026-05 – ADOPTING THE ALLEGHENY COUNTY 2026 HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN: Mrs. Politi explained that the Borough is required to adopt a hazard mitigation plan per state and federal regulations and has previously adopted Allegheny County's. Since the County has recently updated their plan, the Borough must adopt the new plan. After brief discussion, a motion was made by Mrs. Larsen with a second from Mr. Marlovits to adopt Resolution 2026-05 – Adopting the Allegheny County Hazard Mitigation Plan. All present voted in favor of the motion.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Council entered Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter at 8:25 p.m., and returned to Regular Session at 8:50 p.m.

There being no further business, the meeting on motion duly made and seconded was adjourned at 8:51 p.m.

Ellen E. Politi – Borough Manager