

EDGEWORTH BOROUGH COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
May 15, 2018

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, Mrs. Elizabeth H. Genter, Mr. Ivan T. Hofmann, Mr. Gregory Marlovits, Ms. Carrie Duffield, Mr. Daniel S. Wilson, Borough Manager John F. Schwend, Mayor Gary L. Smith and Mr. Brendan Lucas, Esq., representing the Borough Solicitor.

MINUTES of the Regular Meeting held on April 17, 2018 were presented to Council. After some discussion, a motion was made by Mrs. Genter with a second by Mr. Hofmann to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes from April 17, 2018. All present voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

TREASURER'S REPORT for the month of April 2018 was presented to Council. After review and discussion, this report was ordered received and filed.

INVESTMENT REPORT as of May 15, 2018 was presented to Council. After review and discussion, this report was ordered received and filed.

FINANCIAL REPORT for the month of April 2018 was presented to Council. After review and discussion, this report was ordered received and filed.

BILLS PAYABLE for the month of May 2018 were presented to Council as follows: General Expenditures, in the amount of \$146,460.71 and Scheduled Expenditures, in the amount of \$85,732.09 were presented to Council as per the following list.

Scheduled Expenditures Account

6262	JASE Construction	Salt Shed Driveway	\$2,500.00
6263	Cranberry Supply Co	Salt Shed Driveway	\$2,110.02
6264	Dawson Electric	Voice Recording Wiring	\$529.00
6265	Garvin Boward Beitko	Engineering Services	\$283.50
6266	Lennon Smith Souleret	Engineering Services	\$2,122.57
6267	SBM Electronics Inc.	Telephone and Voice Recorder	\$10,437.00
6268	Stefaniks Contracting	Beaver Road Wall Repair	\$64,100.00
6269	Tall Timber Tree Experts	Shade Tree Removal	\$650.00
6270	Terminix International	Termite Defense	\$3,000.00

Borough Council briefly discussed LED street lights in the Borough. Mr. Schwend highlighted that the Borough had applied for an additional twenty LED street light replacement installations through Duquesne Light for 2018. Mr. Hofmann expressed his concern regarding the pace of electricity cost reduction, citing the overall reduction in electrical consumption from the new LED lamp heads. After further discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Wilson with a second by Mr. Marlovits that a voucher be drawn on the General Account in the amount of \$146,460.71 and a voucher be drawn on the Scheduled Expenditures Account in the amount of \$85,732.09. The motion was unanimously carried by all members in attendance.

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT for the month of April 2018 was presented to Council. After some review and discussion, this report was ordered received and filed.

DISTRICT JUSTICE REPORT for the month of April 2018 was presented to Council. District Justice Robert L. Ford, for District Court No. 05-03-02, reported remitting fines in the amount of \$1,048.65 to the Borough for the month. After review and discussion this report was ordered received and filed.

POLICE REPORT for the month of April 2018 was presented to Council. Chief English discussed the Sewickley Herald's Person of the Year awards ceremony, highlighting that Mrs. Melanie Moul received recognition as the Woman of the Year. Chief English commended Mrs. Moul for her service as a Borough crossing guard and praised her acceptance speech. After further discussion, the report was ordered received and filed.

FIRE REPORT for the month of April 2018 was presented to Council. After review and discussion this report was ordered received and filed.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT for the month of April 2018 was presented to Council. Mr. Schwend stated that the Little Sewickley Creek Road sewer extension project had begun, highlighting that work should conclude within two weeks. Mr. Schwend also stated that the Borough had sold the 2007 Ford F-550 Dump Truck for \$15,100 on Municibid, which was \$3,100 more than the previous trade-in offer. Mr. Schwend announced that the new Public Works dump truck would be delivered by the end of May. Mr. Schwend concluded by discussing screening for the restroom facilities in Walker Park, stating that a planting plan was developed. Mrs. Genter commended the Borough Public Works Department for the various services that they provide to residents, including soil compost delivery. After some further discussion, the report was ordered received and filed.

BUILDING PERMIT and ZONING PERMIT REPORTS for the month of April 2018 were presented to Council. After some discussion these reports were ordered received and filed.

MS4 UPDATE AND PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: Mr. Schwend opened the meeting for public comment on the topic of stormwater. With there being no further input, the report was ordered received and filed.

QVCOG EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT: for the month of April 2018 was presented to Council. This report was ordered received and filed. Mr. Schwend discussed the proposed bylaws set forth by the Quaker Valley Council of Governments. Mr. Schwend highlighted that if Borough Council makes no comment, it would be counted as an automatic "yes" vote in favor of the bylaws. Mr. Schwend discussed the bylaws, highlighting the "surrogate delegate" title and the withdrawal penalty. Borough Council voiced their displeasure with the overall strategy for the COG. After further discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Wilson with a second by Mr. Hofmann to formally oppose the proposed bylaws. The motion was carried by all in attendance.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- A. Minutes from the Edgeworth Municipal Authority were received.
- B. Minutes from the Leetsdale Municipal Authority were received. Mr. Schwend received a letter from Mr. Jonathan Kuzma, Chairman of the Leetsdale Municipal Authority, concerning

- Borough's Council's inquisition into street repair payment reimbursements. Mr. Schwend verified that the Authority would not be contributing to Leetsdale's 6th Street paving project.
- C. Correspondence was received from Sewickley Borough inviting interested elected officials to attend a National Incident Management System (NIMS) training course. Mr. Schwend stated that the comprehensive two hour course would take the place of the ICS-100 & ICS-700 courses that are required by FEMA for elected officials and emergency administrators. Mr. Schwend stated that the course would be held on July 10, 2018.

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS CONCERNING NON-AGENDA ITEMS:

The following visitors were present:

Ms. Suzanne Watters	107 Woodland Road
Mr. Patrick Colletti	418 Meadow Lane
Mr. William Lang	617 Maple Lane

Mrs. Suzanne Watters of 107 Woodland Road appeared before Council to raise awareness of various community groups. Mrs. Watters discussed Sustainable Sewickley, highlighting the organization's emphasis on sustainability and its partnership with the Allegheny Land Trust and the Little Sewickley Creek Watershed Association. Mrs. Watters stated that she would be happy to advertise the Borough's leaf compost facility on the organization's social media pages to encourage the use of sustainable/recyclable materials. Mrs. Watters also discussed Communities First Sewickley and their goal of raising awareness regarding natural gas development and industrial monitoring. Borough Council thanked Mrs. Watters for her presentation.

OLD BUSINESS:

BEAVER ROAD WALL UPDATE: Mr. Schwend stated that the residents adjacent to the failing portion of the Beaver Road wall had been given land easement agreements for final review. Mr. Schwend announced that he anticipated receiving bids and awarding a contract for the Beaver Road wall repair by the July 17th Council meeting. Mr. Schwend highlighted that the later timing for the contract may be advantageous, citing a slower business cycle and greater selection of contractors that may be available. Mr. Schwend concluded by stating the project should be completed by October with the anticipated schedule.

NEW BUSINESS:

ACTION CONCERNING PRELIMINARY AND FINAL PLAN – COLLETTI PROPOSED LOT CONSOLIDATION OF 418 & 420 MEADOW LANE: President Hoepf began discussion by highlighting the Planning Commission's decision to recommend approval of the proposed lot consolidation of 418 & 420 Meadow Lane. Mr. Schwend stated that the lot consolidation meets all requirements set forth by Allegheny County and was reviewed by the Borough Engineer. Mr. Patrick Colletti of 418 Meadow Lane stated that he hoped to consolidate his properties into one larger parcel. After some further discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Hofmann with a second by Mr. Wilson to approve the lot consolidation of 418 & 420 Meadow Lane. The motion was carried by all members in attendance.

OTHER BUSINESS:

PROPOSED OFFICE HOURS CHANGE: Mr. Schwend stated that the professional staff desired to

change the Administrative office hours of operation from 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Mr. Schwend cited increased resident and contractor interaction during the morning hours and also highlighted a more similar schedule to other Borough department heads. Mr. Hofmann voiced support of the measure, but expressed his desire for flexibility for residents who may have difficulty reaching the office during the aforementioned timeframe. Mr. Schwend stated that the professional staff is always available by appointment to accommodate residents under such circumstances. After further discussion Borough Council directed Mr. Schwend to operate under the new office hours.

PROPOSED RAIN GARDEN AT SALT STORAGE FACILITY: Mr. Schwend presented a rendition of a proposed rain garden that would be located at the Borough salt storage facility to Borough Council. Mr. Schwend discussed various requirements that will be implemented in the upcoming NPDES Permit, highlighting that the proposed rain garden would help the Borough in its future Pollution Reduction Plan (PRP). Mr. Schwend stated that the rain garden would help capture stormwater around the salt shed and emphasized the measurable reduction in pollutants that could enter local water sources otherwise. Mr. Schwend concluded by discussing the garden's composition, highlighting that only native species would be planted in the garden. Mrs. Genter discussed the potential educational opportunity that the rain garden could present to local schools. After further discussion, a motion was made by Ms. Duffield with a second by Mrs. Genter to appropriate funding towards the development of a rain garden adjacent to the salt storage facility. The motion was carried by all in attendance.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Borough Council entered Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter at 7:50 p.m., and returned to regular session at 8:00 p.m.

After discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Hofmann with a second from Mrs. Genter to approve a \$100.00 payment in consideration of the full and final release and letter of resignation from Mr. Daniel Bujak. All members of Council voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

There being no further business, the meeting on motion duly made and seconded was adjourned at 8:01 p.m.

John F. Schwend – Borough Manager/Secretary