

EDGEWORTH BOROUGH COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
August 20, 2019

MEETING was called to order at 7:30 p.m. with Council President Joseph T. Hoepf presiding and the following members of Council and officials of the Borough present: Mr. Joseph T. Hoepf, Mr. David T. Aloe, Mr. Daniel S. Wilson, Mr. Gregory Marlovits, Gary L. Smith, Borough Manager John F. Schwend, and Mr. Brendan Lucas, Esq., representing the Borough Solicitor.

CONSIDERATION OF DRIVE-THROUGH CONDITIONAL USE – 25 OHIO RIVER BOULEVARD:
A full transcript of the hearing was taken by Ms. Sherry Erwin, official court reporter, and is available for inspection at the Borough Office. The hearing was adjourned at 8:24 pm.

MINUTES of the Regular Meeting held on July 16, 2019 were presented to Council. After some discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Aloe with a second by Mr. Wilson to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes from July 16, 2019. All present voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

TREASURER’S REPORT for the month of July 2019 was presented to Council. After review and discussion, this report was ordered received and filed.

INVESTMENT REPORT as of August 20, 2019 was presented to Council. After review and discussion, this report was ordered received and filed.

FINANCIAL REPORT for the month of July 2019 was presented to Council. After review and discussion, this report was ordered received and filed.

BILLS PAYABLE for the month of August 2019 were presented to Council as follows: General Expenditures, in the amount of \$146,661.61 and Scheduled Expenditures, in the amount of \$53,160.58 were presented to Council as per the following list.

Scheduled Expenditures Account

6357	Bronder Technical Services	Traffic Signal Upgrades	\$18,289.33
6358	Penn Landscape	Street Trees, Drain Repair	\$3,048.00
6359	Trans Associates Engineering	Taco Bell Traffic Review	\$1,473.25
6360	Whitmoyer Ford	Police Interceptor	\$30,350.00

After some discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Aloe with a second by Mr. Wilson that a voucher be drawn on the General Account in the amount of \$146,661.61, and a voucher be drawn on the Scheduled Expenditures Account in the amount of \$53,160.58. The motion was unanimously carried by all members in attendance.

TAX COLLECTOR’S REPORT for the month of July 2019 was presented to Council. After some review and discussion, this report was ordered received and filed.

DISTRICT JUSTICE REPORT for the month of July 2019 was presented to Council. District Justice Robert L. Ford, for District Court No. 05-03-02, reported remitting fines in the amount of

\$1,356.35 to the Borough for the month. After review and discussion this report was ordered received and filed.

POLICE REPORT for the month of July 2019 was presented to Council. Chief English provided an overview of proposed restoration work on the Sewickley Bridge beginning in the spring of 2020. He also updated Council on a proposed Allegheny County Council Ordinance aimed at creating a citizen review board for police officers. Chief English stated that he was strongly opposed to the proposed legislation. After further review and discussion this report was ordered received and filed.

FIRE REPORT for the month of July 2019 was presented to Council. After review and discussion this report was ordered received and filed.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT for the month of July 2019 was presented to Council. After review and discussion, this report was ordered received and filed.

BUILDING PERMIT AND ZONING PERMIT REPORTS for the month of July 2019 were presented to Council. After discussion, these reports were ordered received and filed.

MS4 UPDATE AND PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: President Hoeppe opened the floor for public comment on the topic of stormwater by reviewing the July 2019 MS4 report. With there being no further input, the report was ordered received and filed.

QVCOG EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT: for the month of July 2019 was presented to Council. Mr. Schwend stated that the COG will be hosting a series of public engagement sessions in order to gather data on Route 65. After review and discussion, this report was ordered received and filed.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- A. Minutes from the Edgeworth Municipal Authority were received.
- B. Minutes from the Leetsdale Municipal Authority were received.
- C. The Edgeworth Volunteer Fireman's Relief Association Audit was received from the Pennsylvania Department of the Auditor General. Mr. Schwend stated that the Relief Association continued to legally operate after the Edgeworth Volunteer Fire Department was decertified. Council reviewed and discussed the audit.

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS CONCERNING NON-AGENDA ITEMS:

Joshua Haydo	Wooster and Associates
William Lang	617 Maple Lane
Richard McCormack	314 Myrtle Lane
Joseph Peduzzi	Esmark, Inc.
Zackery Stehle	Wooster and Associates
Steven Victor	Victor Wetzel and Associates
Ryan Wotus	Goldberg, Kamin & Garvin

Mayor Smith expressed concern regarding the uncontrolled intersection of Woodland Road Extension and a private drive located near the Woodland Swim Club. After some discussion, Mr. Hoeppe directed the issue to the Streets Committee for review and recommendation.

OLD BUSINESS:

ACTION CONCERNING RESOLUTION 2019-04 – ESTABLISHING A PROCEDURE FOR MEMORIALIZING BENCHES AND TREES LOCATED ON BOROUGH PROPERTY: Mr. Schwend stated that the proposed resolution outlines a policy for residents wishing to dedicate a tree or bench in memory or in honor of an Edgeworth resident. The resolution received a positive recommendation from the Property Committee. After further discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Aloe with a second from Mr. Wilson to pass Resolution 2019-04, establishing a procedure for tree and bench dedications in Edgeworth Borough. All present voted in favor of the motion.

ACTION CONCERNING ROUTE 65 PLANTING PLAN: Mr. Schwend stated that the Borough Arborist received three bids to complete plantings along Route 65. The 2019 budget does not include the project, and bid amounts were higher than expected. Mr. Schwend recommended proposing a smaller planting plan and including the project in the 2020 budget. After further discussion, Council agreed to not accept a bid, and to include the Route 65 planting plan completion in the 2020 budget.

ACTION CONCERNING 2019 ROADWAY IMPROVEMENT PLAN – ADD ALTERNATE NO. 2 AND CHANGE ORDER NO. 1: Mr. Schwend stated that upon discussion with Sewickley Borough officials, they have agreed to pave their half of Academy Avenue, which was included as an alternate in the 2019 Roadway Improvement Plan. Mr. Schwend presented Council with email correspondence from Ms. Marla Marcinko, Sewickley Borough Manager, stating that Sewickley would not agree to issue payment directly to the contractor. The correspondence also stated that Sewickley would prefer to receive an invoice from Edgeworth Borough upon completion of the road paving. After discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Aloe with a second from Mr. Marlovits to approve Add Alternate No. 2 - Academy Avenue from Beaver Road to Woodland Road in Sewickley Borough, to the 2019 Roadway Improvement Program, and to issue an invoice to Sewickley Borough for the proposed cost of in the amount of \$91,408.00 before work commences. All present voted in favor of the motion.

Additionally, Mr. Schwend stated that after discussions with the Borough Engineer and the contractor, four pavement sections were recommended to be added into the pavement plan. These include the intersection of Beaver Road and Academy Avenue for both Edgeworth and Sewickley, the bridge joint on Beaver Road to Shields Lane, and the intersection of Beaver Road and Quaker Road. After discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Aloe with a second from Mr. Wilson to accept Change Order No. 1 and to issue an invoice to Sewickley Borough for the additional proposed cost of \$5,486.00 before work commences. All present voted in favor of the motion.

NEW BUSINESS:

ACTION CONCERNING THE COMCAST FRANCHISE AGREEMENT, 2019-2029: Mr. Schwend stated that after two years of negotiations with Comcast and upon the Borough Solicitor's review, the Borough has reached an agreement which protected the rights of the Borough, specifically in regard to tree trimming, while maintaining the existing fee schedule. After discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Wilson with a second from Mr. Aloe to accept the Comcast Franchise Agreement for 2019 to 2029. All present voted in favor of the motion.

ACTION CONCERNING RESOLUTION 2019-05 – APPROVING AND ADOPTING AN EMERGENCY OPERATIONS PLAN FOR THE BOROUGH OF EDGEWORTH: Mr. Schwend stated that an emergency operations plan must be adopted every two years, and that the 2019 plan had not changed from the plan adopted in 2017. After discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Aloe with a second from Mr. Marlovits to approve and adopt the 2019 Emergency Operations Plan for the Borough of Edgeworth. All present voted in favor of the motion.

OTHER BUSINESS:

GLASS RECYCLING UPDATE: Ms. Ellen DeWeese, Administrative Assistant, stated that she and Mr. Schwend recently met with Ms. Stephanie Milani, the Sales and Marketing Director at Michael Brothers Hauling, to discuss a trial period for a glass-only dumpster. During the meeting, Ms. Milani shared concerns regarding hauling distances, contamination levels, and an overall weak market for the product. Ms. DeWeese stated that Michael Brothers had not yet decided whether they were interested in entering into a trial agreement. Ms. DeWeese also shared that the Borough will be hosting a glass-only recycling event on September 14, 2019. After further discussion, Council asked the administrative staff to continue searching for possible solutions to glass recycling.

There being no further business, the meeting on motion duly made and seconded was adjourned at 9:05 p.m. Prior to adjournment, Mr. Hoepf stated that an Executive Session would be held to discuss a legal matter immediately prior to the September 17, 2019 Council Meeting.

John F. Schwend – Borough Manager