

EDGEWORTH BOROUGH COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
October 19, 2021

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

DISCUSSION REGARDING COUNCIL VACANCY: Mr. Hoepp announced that Council would discuss the vacancy on Borough Council, found on the Agenda under New Business. Mr. Aloe recommended Ms. Katherine Larsen for appointment. After brief discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Aloe with a second from Mr. Hofmann to adopt Resolution 2021-11 – Appointing Mrs. Katherine D. Larsen to the vacated seat on Borough Council. All present voted in favor of the motion. Mayor Smith then issued the Oath of Office to Mrs. Larsen.

MINUTES of the Regular Meeting held on September 21, 2021 were presented to Council. After discussion, a motion was made by Mrs. Genter with a second by Mr. Aloe to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes from September 21, 2021. All present voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

TREASURER'S REPORT for the month of September 2021 was presented to Council. After review and discussion, this report was ordered received and filed.

INVESTMENT REPORT as of October 19, 2021 was presented to Council. After review and discussion, this report was ordered received and filed.

FINANCIAL REPORT for the month of September 2021 was presented to Council. After review and discussion, this report was ordered received and filed.

BILLS PAYABLE for the month of October 2021 were presented to Council as follows: General Expenditures, in the amount of \$307,789.34 and Scheduled Expenditures, in the amount of \$325,934.48 were presented to Council as per the following list.

Scheduled Expenditures Account

6517	A. Folino Construction	Oliver Rd Final Payment	\$26,970.34
6518	Allegheny Goatscape	Goat Final Payment	\$850.00
6519	Home Depot	Sign Post Materials	\$295.32
6520	LM&R Excavating	Walker Park Streambank	\$4,410.00
6521	Lennon Smith Souleret	Engineering Fees	\$8,910.93
6522	Markl Supply Company	Public Safety Supplies	\$348.25
6523	N&N Landscaping	Sidewalk Repairs	\$26,293.00
6524	Toshiba Business Solutions	Docuware Renewal	\$3,339.00
6525	Youngblood Paving	2021 Road Paving	\$254,517.64

After some discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Hofmann with a second by Mr. Marlovits that a voucher be drawn on the General Account in the amount of \$307,789.34, and a voucher be drawn on the Scheduled Expenditures Account in the amount of \$325,934.48. The motion was unanimously carried by all members in attendance.

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT for the month of September 2021 was presented to Council. After some review and discussion, this report was ordered received and filed.

DISTRICT JUSTICE REPORT for the month of September 2021 was presented to Council. District Justice Robert L. Ford, for District Court No. 05-03-02, reported remitting fines in the amount of \$1,526.09 to the Borough for the month. After review and discussion this report was ordered received and filed.

POLICE REPORT for the month of September 2021 was presented to Council. Chief Burlett discussed working with Sewickley Borough to implement additional road weight limit signs to notify truck drivers. After review and discussion, this report was ordered received and filed.

FIRE REPORT for the month of September 2021 was presented to Council. After review and discussion, this report was ordered received and filed.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT for the month of September 2021 was presented to Council. Mr. Schwend stated that fall leaf collection has begun, and will run through mid-December. After discussion, this report was ordered received and filed.

BUILDING PERMIT AND ZONING PERMIT REPORTS for the month of September 2021 were presented to Council. After review and discussion, these reports were ordered received and filed.

QUAKER VALLEY COG REPORT for the month of September 2021 was presented to Council. After discussion, this report was ordered received and filed.

MS4 UPDATE AND PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: President Hoepf opened the floor for public comment on the topic of stormwater by reviewing the September 2021 MS4 report. After discussion, the 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. Mr. Schwend highlighted that the modified Act 537 Proposal from Sewickley Borough includes a dedicated forcemain from Sewickley to the Leetsdale plant. He stated that the Sewers Committee would meet to review the modified proposal in the coming weeks.
- C. The Quaker Valley Ambulance Authority Annual Report was received.
- D. Correspondence was received from Ms. Evelyn Rader regarding free roaming cats. Ms. Rader expressed concern with neighbors' cats entering her property and garden, and disturbing the area and small wildlife. She highlighted numerous health concerns and environmental impacts regarding free roaming cats, and stated that she has not been able to discuss the matter with her neighbors. Ms. Rader asked Borough Council to consider enacting an ordinance that prohibits free roaming cats in Edgeworth. Chief Burlett explained state regulations regarding cats, and stated that while very few municipalities have ordinances related to cats, it would be possible to enact. Mr. Hoepf stated that enforcing such an ordinance would be difficult, and recommended that the Public Safety Committee further review the matter. Council thanked Ms. Rader for her comments.

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS CONCERNING NON-AGENDA ITEMS:

Mr. William Lang	617 Maple Lane
Mr. Hugh St. Martin	609 Maple Lane
Ms. Evelyn Rader	206 Quaker Road

OLD BUSINESS:

ACTION CONCERNING BEAVER ROAD CULVERT: Mr. Schwend stated that the Borough Engineer received prices from two companies to complete emergency repairs to the culvert beneath Beaver Road, from N&N Landscape LLC in the amount of \$31,780.00, and from Stefanik's Next Generation Contracting in the amount of \$38,138.00. Mr. Schwend explained that the Borough has received an emergency permit to complete the repairs, and work should be completed this year. After discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Hofmann with a second from Mr. Wilson to authorize N&N Landscape, LLC to complete necessary concrete repairs to the Beaver Road culvert for the amount of \$31,780.00. All present voted in favor of the motion.

NEW BUSINESS:

ACTION CONCERNING RESOLUTIONS 2021-08, 2021-09, AND 2021-10 – AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF APPLICATIONS FOR FUNDS WITH THE RAAC: Mr. Schwend stated that the Borough completed three applications to receive grant funding for infrastructure repairs from the Redevelopment Authority of Allegheny County's Gaming and Economic Development Tourism Fund (GEDTF). The applications are for sewer lining on Church Lane in the amount of \$200,000.00, repairs to the Beaver Road bridge in the amount of \$163,200.00, and roadway and sewer improvements on East Drive in the amount of \$500,000.00. Mr. Schwend explained that the applications are evaluated based on the positive impacts they will produce for the community, and the grants do not have a matching component. Mr. Hofmann asked whether repairs to the Beaver Road wall would be eligible for funding opportunities, and Mr. Schwend stated that he would look into the matter. After some discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Aloe with a second from Mr. Hofmann to adopt Resolutions 2021-08, 2021-09, and 2021-10 for applications for funds with the Redevelopment Authority of Allegheny County as submitted. All present voted in favor of the motion.

There being no further business, the meeting on motion duly made and seconded was adjourned at 8:11 p.m.

John F. Schwend – Borough Manager