

EMSWORTH BOROUGH COUNCIL
171 Center Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15202
Business Meeting Minutes – November 9, 2022

Council Members Present – Abigail Donovan; Brian J. Fashian; Daniel Lenz; Michael V. Mary; Kevin Yurkovich
Council Members Absent – Paul F. Getz; Jason Helfrich
Others Present – AmySue Lillie, Mayor; Robert L. McTiernan, Esq., Borough Solicitor; Dennis J. Flynn, P.E., Borough Engineer; Cathy Jones, Borough Secretary

President Yurkovich called the November 9, 2022, business meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. After the Pledge of Allegiance and Roll Call, the October 12, 2022, Minutes were presented for approval.

MINUTES APPROVAL

MOTION by Mr. Fashian; second by Mr. Mary to approve the October 12, 2022. Meeting Minutes as distributed. Motion carried by voice vote.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – None

MAYOR'S REPORT - AmySue Lille

Public Safety: OTPD: 77 calls EVFC: 26 calls

Mayor Lillie thanked EVFC for their collaboration with neighboring municipalities.

BOROUGH SOLICITOR REPORT – Robert L. McTiernan, Esq., Borough Solicitor

Advertise - Ord. 1013, Act 57 of 2022 – MOTON by Mr. Fashian, second by Mr. Lenz to advertise Ord. 1013 which amends local tax collection law; requiring tax collector to waive penalty if tax notice not received and property transferred within previous 12 months. Motion unanimously carried by roll call.

Advertise – Ord. 1014 – Motion by Mr. Fashian, second Ms. Donovan to advertise Ord. 1014, prohibiting covered vehicles on the borough streets (amends Ord. 880). Motion unanimously carried by roll.

Draft – Ord. 1015 – Sol. McTiernan distributed a draft ordinance addressing dumpsters on the streets of the borough, permitting the dumpsters for a 30-day period, requiring dumpster be placed on boards and directly on the street; requiring reflective cones at ends of the dumpsters for safety purposes. Motion unanimously carried by roll call.

202 Hazelwood Avenue – District Magistrate Hearing held November 2; Royal Properties found guilty of operating short-term rental at this property; fined \$10K; appeal process would take place at Allegheny County Court.

BOROUGH ENGINEER REPORT – Dennis J. Flynn, P.E.

2021-22 Road Paving – T A Robinson plans to have paving of Courtney and lower Walliston completed this season.

DCNR Grant - Preparations for this grant for Marmo Park continues.

Due Diligence Report submitted to Allegheny County Health Dept. regarding the Consent Order.

161 Orchard Lot Consolidation was approved by the Planning Commission.

Holy Family Institute – Pre-application meeting will be scheduled for this proposed new building project.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

BOROUGH PROPERTY – Jason Helfrich/Abigail Donovan/Dan Lenz

No report this evening.

COMMUNITY EVENTS – Brian J. Fashian/Mike Mary/Abigail Donovan

Light Up Night – Sunday December 4, 2022 beginning at 5 pm. John Popp will provide horse drawn carriage rides, Natalie Rogers will sing and Eric Davis is the magician; refreshments and Santa arriving on a fire truck.

INFRASTRUCTURE – Dan Lenz/Paul F. Getz/Jason Helfrich

No report this evening.

PERSONNEL – Brian Fashian/Michael V. Mary

2022 Snow Removal Team/DPW Hire – MOTION by Mr. Mary, second by Mr. Fashian to add Ken Kroen to the snow removal team at the 2022-23 pay rate. Motion unanimously carried by roll call.

PUBLIC WORKS – Dan Lenz/Abigail Donovan

Mr. Lenz reported DPW truck 485 will need an alignment and a truck needed an oil change. A salt spreader will be added to one truck in preparation for inclement weather. Mr. Fashian stated he would be available Wednesday or Thursday to walk DPW and DPW Committee through the process.

QVCOG – Paul F. Getz/Brian J. Fashian

No report this evening.

ZONING – Abigail Donovan/Paul F. Getz

No report this evening.

FINANCE – Michael V. Mary/Brian J. Fashian

2023 Budget – Motion by Mr. Fashian, second by Mr. Mary to Advertise the 2023 Budget in the amount of \$2,091,572. Motion unanimously carried by roll call

2023 Millage – MOTION by Mr. Mary, second by Mr. Fashian to adopt Resolution No. 2022-05 setting the 2023 millage at 4.955 (no increase). Motion unanimously carried by roll call.

Bill List – MOTION by Mr. Fashian second by Mr. Mary, to approve the Bill List as presented with the following additions: H. A. Thomson \$100 (C. Jones Bond); H. A. Thomson \$100 (K. Taschner Bond); Tri State Maintenance \$280; W. B. Mason \$104.19; Gateway Engineers \$52,089.36. Motion unanimously approved by roll call.

OLD BUSINESS - None

NEW BUSINESS

161 Orchard, Galante Lot Consolidation - MOTION by Mr. Lenz, second by Mr. Mary to recommend approval of the lot consolidation for parcel Nos. 276-N-176 and 276-N-17 (161 Orchard Avenue, Louis/Carolyn Galante) on recommendation of the planning commission and approved at the planning commission meeting October 26, 2022. Motion unanimously carried by roll call.

Res. 2022-06 – Update Tobacco Free Polity – MOTION by Mr. Mary, second by Ms. Donovan to adopt Res. 2022-06 to update the borough’s tobacco free policy in conjunction with Live Well Allegheny. Motion unanimously carried by roll call.

Act 172 EVFC Fire Credits – MOTION by Ms. Donovan, second by Mr. Lenz to approve the firefighter list as submitted by Chief Kohl for the Act 172 tax credits. Motion unanimously carried by roll call.

American LaFrance – Motion by Mr. Mary, second by Mr. Lenz to permit the Emsworth Volunteer Fire Company to lend the American LaFrance fire truck to Bellevue Borough for an undisclosed period of time. Bellevue Borough will carry an insurance rider. Motion unanimously carried by roll call.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – None

ADJOURN

MOTION by Mr. Fashian, second by Mr. Lenz to Adjourn the November 9, 2022, council meeting at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

CATHY JONES
Borough Secretary