

# ELLPORT BOROUGH

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June 19, 2023  
7:00 P.M.

The regular monthly meeting of Ellport Borough Council was held on the above date in Council Chambers, Ellport Borough Building. Present were President Boy and Council members Takacs, Tomon, Gebhardt and Mazzant. Also present were Mayor Cisco, Solicitor Minett, Secretary Christy, Joe MacDonald and Justin Neupauer. A motion was made by Tomon and seconded by Takacs to accept the minutes of the May 15, 2023 meeting as received. Motion passed unanimously.

## TREASURER'S REPORT:

General Fund - \$437,533. Fuel Fund - \$112,257. Memorial - \$1,921. A motion was made by Gebhardt and seconded by Mazzant to accept the treasurer's report. A roll call vote was taken with all voting yes. Motion passed unanimously.

## VISITORS:

Ellwood City police officer Mike McBride explained how to fill out code enforcement complaint forms which require the address of the violation, the location of the violation, the date and time, and which need to be signed by the individual making the complaint. He stated that code violations are not responded to by police. Police respond to 911 calls which include burning violations and calls about stray dogs. He advised that residents call 911 for disturbances and police will respond. He also expressed the importance of complainers being willing to go to court and testify against the guilty party and substantiate the offense. He advised that residents contact legislators to change the current law which does not allow summary offenders to be jailed.

## COMMUNICATIONS:

The Borough building janitor's resignation was received effective June 30, 2023.

## MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Cisco reported that police spent 59 hours on patrol and received 67 calls.

## PARKS AND RECREATION:

Tomon reported on a possible replacement for the Borough building janitor.

A request was received from Guy Calabro to allow the Holy Name Society to use the main shelter at Rodgers Park on August 16, 2023, from 5PM to 8PM, at no cost. A motion was made by Takacs and seconded by Mazzant to allow use of the main shelter on that date at a reduced cost of \$50 by the Holy Name Society. Boy, Takacs, Mazzant and Gebhardt voted yes. Tomon voted no. Motion passed 4 to 1.

## OLD BUSINESS:

Solicitor Minett reported that a Public Notice will be placed in the New Castle News to report a Special Meeting to be held on July 10, 2023, prior to the Agenda Meeting, for the conducting of a Public Hearing considering the adoption of a revised Zoning Ordinance and voting on that proposed revised ordinance, and which will begin at 6:30 PM.

## NEW BUSINESS:

A motion was made by Takacs and seconded by Mazzant to adopt

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Resolution #08 of 2023, detailing Ellport Borough Code Enforcement and Complaint Standard Operation Guidelines. A roll call vote was taken with all voting yes. Motion passed unanimously.

No action was taken by Council on the authorization of codification of Borough Ordinances.

No action was taken on the installation of Solar Panels within the Borough and possible regulations to be enforced.

President Boy expressed his concern about the Borough's issuer of Building Permits within the Borough, Code.Sys. Code Consulting, need to report back to the Borough whether or not required inspections were completed and passed or failed.

Council approved the refunding of property taxes as outlined in Ordinance 271, to certain individuals who are active volunteers to the Wurtemberg-Perry VFD or Auxillary, for the 2022 tax year.

A motion was made by Takacs and seconded by Gebhardt to accept receipts and pay the bills. A roll call vote was taken with all voting yes. Motion passed unanimously.

President Boy adjourned the meeting.

Marguerite Christy  
Borough Secretary