

**Borough of Edinboro
Council Meeting Minutes
July 11, 2022**

CALL TO ORDER:

Monday, July 11, 2022 the regularly scheduled meeting was called to order by Mayor Aaron Gast at 6:34 PM.

Pledge of Allegiance

ROLL CALL:

Council members present were Jim Kiley, Amanda Frantz-Mamani, Pat Davis, Aaron Gast, and Mary Ann Horne. Absent were Mark Eisert and Spencer Larson.

Other officials present were Solicitor Tim Wachter and Borough Manager Jason Spangenberg. Citizens present were Curtis Hals, MJ Campbell, Mary Ann Mook, Mary Ann Schenck, Joseph Martin, Kathy Seiler, Paul Seiler, Chris Lovell, Gary Means, and Fred Flack.

MINUTES:

Mayor Gast moved to approve the minutes of the June 13 regular meeting, CDBG hearing, and rezoning hearing as presented. Mary Ann Horne seconded, and the motion passed 5-0.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

Fred Flack, 218 Maple Street. Mr. Flack discussed his concerns regarding increased speeding on Maple Street since the road was recently paved. He noted that it is the first street on Lakeside Drive after the beach, so most traffic leaving the beach takes Maple Street to exit the neighborhood. He requested that a speed bump be considered.

Gary Means, 113 Pine Street. Mr. Means discussed his concerns regarding speeding and traffic on Monroe Street. He noted concerns especially for foot traffic, as cars tend to roll through or ignore the stop signs. He requested that speed bumps be installed, more stop signs be installed, and/or the police department patrol east to west more regularly.

Chris Lovell, 302 Jefferson Street. Mr. Lovell discussed his concerns regarding speeding near the playground on Cypress Street, noting that cars tend to roll through or ignore the stop sign at Jefferson. He expressed concern for the safety of children at play and requested that solutions be explored.

Mary Ann Schenck, 116 Sunset Drive. Ms. Schenck expressed gratitude for lines painted on the roads, the new flower baskets downtown, and the July 3 fireworks event.

Kathy Seiler, 303 Jefferson Street. Ms. Seiler discussed a situation where her grandchild was nearly hit by a vehicle near the playground at Billings Park, noting in particular the danger of vehicles parking in the open grass next to the playground at the corner of Cypress and Jefferson. Manager Spangenberg stated that the Borough would look into preventing parking in that area.

Paul Seiler, 303 Jefferson Street. Mr. Seiler reiterated the concerns expressed by Kathy Seiler. He also expressed concern about fireworks being shot off around Lakeside on July 4. Manager Spangenberg noted that it is illegal to shoot fireworks that leave the ground within 150 feet of a building or vehicle, but the police department only has so much manpower on such a busy night.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance Committee:

Mary Ann Horne moved to approve bills paid June 27 totaling \$55,548.24; and paid July 11 totaling \$360,005.11. Pat Davis seconded, and the motion passed 5-0.

Mary Ann Horne moved to approve payroll paid June 16 totaling \$83,118.66; and paid June 30 totaling \$87,225.64. Jim Kiley seconded, and the motion passed 5-0.

Ordinance Review Committee:

Mayor Gast moved to approve Ordinance 624:

BOROUGH OF EDINBORO

ERIE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

ORDINANCE NO. 624

AN ORDINANCE OF THE HOME RULE BOROUGH OF EDINBORO, ERIE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AMENDING THE BOROUGH ZONING MAP AND APPROVING THE REZONING OF CERTAIN PROPERTY LOCATED ALONG WEST PLUM STREET, ERIE COUNTY TAX PARCEL NUMBER 11-002-023.0-010.00, FROM A R-3 (RESIDENTIAL) DISTRICT TO A C-2 (COMMERCIAL) DISTRICT, AND THE REZONING OF CERTAIN PROPERTY LOCATED ALONG WATERFORD STREET, ERIE COUNTY TAX PARCEL NUMBER 11-010-046.0-015.00, FROM A R-1 (RESIDENTIAL) DISTRICT TO A C-2 (COMMERCIAL) DISTRICT, PURSUANT TO THE BOROUGH OF EDINBORO ZONING ORDINANCE; PROVIDING FOR RATIFICATION, SEVERABILITY, A REPEALER, DIRECTIONS TO THE BOROUGH MANAGER AND FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Edinboro Borough Ordinance No. 585, adopted on or about September 12, 2011, the Borough of Edinboro (the "Borough") Borough Council codified its Ordinances, including Ordinance No. 457, adopted on or about January 31, 1994, and amended from time to time, known as the Zoning Ordinance of the Borough of Edinboro (the "Zoning Ordinance"); and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council has determined to rezone certain property located along West Plum Street, more fully described as 408 West Plum Street, Erie County Tax Parcel Number: 11-002-023.0-010.00, from R-3 (Residential) District to a C-2 (Commercial) District (the "West Plum Parcel"), and to rezone certain property located along Waterford Street, more fully described as 220 Waterford Street, Erie County Tax Parcel Number: 11-010-046.0-015.00, from R-1 (Residential) District to a C-2 (Commercial) District (the "Waterford Street Parcel"); and

WHEREAS, upon holding a duly advertising public hearing held on June 13, 2022 to discuss the West Plum Parcel rezoning, and a duly advertised public hearing held on July 9, 2018 to discuss the Waterford Street Parcel, the Borough does hereby desire to rezone both parcels and to amend the Borough zoning map in accordance therewith.

NOW, THEREFORE, this 11th day of July, 2022, the Edinboro Borough Council hereby ordains and enacts the following:

Section 1. *Amendment.*

The Edinboro Borough Zoning Map, as referenced and set forth in Section 301 of Zoning Ordinance of the Borough of Edinboro is hereby amended and revised with respect to the West Plum Parcel, known and identified as 408 West Plum Street, Erie County Tax Parcel Number: 11-002-023.0-010.00, by changing and amending said property's zoning district and zoning designation from the R-2 (Residential) District to the C-2 (Commercial) District, and with respect to the Waterford Street Parcel, known and identified as 220 Waterford Street, Erie County Tax Parcel Number: 11-010-046.0-.015.00, by changing and amending said property's zoning district and zoning designation from R-1 (Residential) District to a C-2 (Commercial) District.

Section 2. Severability

The provisions of this ordinance are severable. If any sentence, clause, section, or part of this ordinance is for any reason found to be unconstitutional, illegal, or invalid, such unconstitutionality, illegality, or invalidity shall not affect or impair any of the remaining provisions, sentences, clauses, sections or parts of this ordinance. It is hereby declared as the intent of the Borough Council that this Ordinance would have been adopted had such unconstitutional, illegal or invalid sentence, clause, section or part thereof not been included herein.

Section 3. Repealer

Any ordinances, rules or resolutions, or parts of ordinances, rules, or resolutions, in conflict herewith shall be, and the same are hereby repealed.

Section 4. Ratification

In all other respects, the Zoning Ordinance, and the zoning map associated therewith are hereby confirmed and ratified.

Section 5. Directions to Borough Manager.

The Borough Manager is hereby directed to affix the Borough Seal upon this Ordinance, insert the date of enactment upon the same, record the ordinance in the Borough Ordinance Book and take all such actions as are required by the Home Rule Charter of the Borough and to amend the Borough Code as may be necessary.

Section 6. Effective Date.

This Ordinance shall be effective on the tenth (10th) day following the enactment of this Ordinance, as indicated below.

ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE HOME RULE BOROUGH OF EDINBORO on the date first indicated above.

Mary Ann Horne seconded, and the motion passed by 5-0 roll call vote: Amanda Frantz-Mamani, yes; Jim Kiley, yes; Mary Ann Horne, yes; Pat Davis, yes; and Aaron Gast, yes.

MANAGEMENT REPORTS:

Manager Spangenberg presented his monthly report. The July 3 fireworks event on Edinboro campus was a major success, with an estimated 7,000+ in attendance and great weather. Thank you to the

Borough Police Department and the University Police and Facilities Departments for making the event run smoothly behind the scenes.

The Parks Passport program is now open, in collaboration with Washington Township. This program encourages residents to visit all of the parks in the Borough and Township, which will enter them into a raffle to win a prize basket full of donations from local businesses.

On June 22 we performed interviews for the open police officer position. There were a few great candidates, and we will soon move forward in the hiring process.

We have applied to ECGRA for their Renaissance Block Grant Program, which provides funding for exterior improvements to residential properties. We have a public meeting planned for July 19 at 6:30 PM to review the program with the eligible homeowners, who are being mailed a postcard today informing them of their eligibility.

The West Erie County Emergency Management Agency Coordinator, Andrew Pennock, is leaving for another job this month. The process is underway to find a replacement, but we will miss Andrew and thank him for his work.

Public Works:

Manager Spangenberg stated that we would not be voting on the agenda item to award the parking lot paving bid, due to the bids coming in much higher than anticipated.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Gast moved for adjournment, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:15 PM.

Following adjournment, Council entered Executive Session for a personnel matter at 7:15 PM, ending at 7:41 PM.

ATTEST:



Manager Jason Spangenberg



Mayor Aaron Gast