

**SLIPPERY ROCK BOROUGH COUNCIL
WORKSHOP MEETING
MAY 7, 2019**

Slippery Rock Borough Council convened this date at the Slippery Rock Borough Building located at 306 East Water Street, Slippery Rock Borough, Butler County, Pennsylvania. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Upon roll call the following public officials were present: Russ Karl, Gene Allison, Royce Lorentz, Denton Zeronas, Mike Sullivan, Ron Steele and Tom McPherson. Also present was Mayor Longo and Borough Administrator Lucinda G. Lipko

President Karl requested a moment of silence to recognize the passing of Chuck Brochetti

CITIZEN INPUT:

Mike Pavelak

Feels more attention needs to be paid to the engineer

REPORTS:

Mayor Jondavid Longo

Announced Representative Bernstine has hours once a month at the Borough Building

Welcomed Angel's Attic to South Main Street

Congratulations to all the graduates at Slippery Rock University

Expressed condolences to the family of Chuck Brochetti

Borough Administrator Lucinda G. Lipko

Reported that the utility bed for the pick up is about one week from delivery

The PIB application for Poplar Forest will be submitted next week

Notified we would be receiving \$ 2,731.00 for the 2017 - 904 Municipal Recycling Performance Grant award

Tom McPherson

First Bands on the Bricks will be May 17, 2019

Farmers and Maker's Market will open May 18, 2019

Ron Steele

Lots of potholes on New Castle Street

Mike Sullivan

Park is continuing to work on water mitigation

Royce Lorentz

Is attending the “Strategic Energy Management for Your Municipality” meetings

Found the owner information for 100 Oak Street that we have been searching for

Has been looking at the curb cuts in Poplar Forest when it rains

Gene Allison

Street sweeping went well

Agenda was not posted to the website

Advertisement for paving on High and Cross Streets was advertised

BOROUGH UPDATES:

President Karl reported the following:

- The bridge on West Cooper Street is in need of approximately \$ 1,600.00 in repairs. The Street Department will work it into their schedule.
- Announced the yard signs were removed from the old FNB property and will be kept in the Borough Administrator’s office for 30 days.
- Reminder that there will be a Public Hearing on May 14th at 7 p.m. for the Mobile Food Vendors and action to recommendation from the Planning Commission for the preliminary land development of Taco Bell.
- The occupants of 206 New Castle Street have been notified to vacate the premises until the rodent infestation and trash issues have been dealt with.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Bill Oman’s resignation from Planning Commission. This will be placed on the next agenda for action.

Ron Steele would like to sell the salt spreader that hasn’t been used in 5 or 6 years to offset the cost of the utility bed. This will be placed on the next agenda for action.

Council reviewed the recommendation from Gateway engineers to release the remaining bond in the amount of \$ 15,730.00 for Dollar General. This will be placed on the next agenda for action.

The Work Authorization from Gateway Engineers for Poplar Forest was discussed as was the loan process. The Work Authorization will be placed on the next agenda for action and John Trant will continue with the PIB (Pennsylvania Infrastructure Bank) application for Poplar Forest.

Resolution # 434 Fees Resolution to add Temporary Business License will be place on the next agenda for action.

Solicitor Black discovered a discrepancy on the restroom grant application and what Butler County shows on their website concerning the acreage that makes up the Slippery Rock Park. An action item will be placed on the next agenda to authorize the Borough Solicitor to order a title search. This information is needed anytime we apply for a grant.

Council discussed allowing Officer Graham to continue participating in the Butler County Emergency Services Cert Team while still on probation. It was decided he could serve once he is off probation.

NEW BUSINESS:

A motion was made by Tom McPherson to approve the Solicitation Permit from the Slippery Rock Volunteer Fire Company and Rescue Team to hold a Boot Drive on May 10th from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. and May 11th from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the main intersection. Seconded by Denton Zeronas, motion carried with Mike Sullivan casting a nay vote.

CITIZEN INPUT:

Bonnie Davis

Thanked Chief Fedokovitz and Gene Allison for responding to help Chuck Brochetti
Feels the Borough should make her tenants pick up trash at her rentals
Hopes we hire a code officer and feels there is a lack of communication with Council
Has been here 22 years and is selling her rental properties
Feels the Borough needs a professional manager

Lauren Christmann

Stated transparency and the Sunshine Law will be enforced should she get elected to
Borough Council

COUNCILPERSON'S REMARKS:

Royce Lorentz

Noted there have been a lot of recreational fires and they are not good for people with
breathing disorders
Pleads guilty to feeling we needed to hire a Code Officer over a Borough Manager.
Seems to be a difference of opinion among Council.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Royce Lorentz to adjourn into Executive Session for personnel with no new business afterwards. Seconded by Tom McPherson, motion carried with Ron Steele casting a nay vote.

Slippery Rock Borough Council adjourned at 8:21 p.m.

Lucinda G. Lipko, Borough Administrator