

## **SLIPPERY ROCK BOROUGH COUNCIL**

Slippery Rock Borough Office, 306 E. Water Street, Slippery Rock, PA 16057-1170  
Workshop Meeting Minutes for **Tuesday May 5, 2020** from 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM

**Meeting Notice Clarification:** Several scheduled Borough Council meetings were recently cancelled because of a health need to minimize interpersonal contact & to practice “social distancing.” To conduct important business, a “virtual” meeting was arranged through “Zoom.” Notice of this meeting was posted at the Borough Office and Downtown Kiosks, on the Borough WEB site, in some e-mails & by occasional personal communications.

**President Karl called the meeting to order at 7:07 PM.**

**President Karl Performed the Roll Call. Those Present:** Russell Karl, Ronald Steele, Gene Allison, Jeffrey Campbell, Lauren Christmann (lost via technical issues at 7:30), Royce Lorentz, Denton Zeronas, Mayor Jondavid Longo, Borough Manager Shawn Pugh.

**Pledge of Allegiance: Not performed in this virtual meeting.**

**Citizen Input for Agenda Items:** Nothing

**Reports:** Denton Zeronas reported on Slippery Rock Parks & Recreation:

- The restroom is almost finished
- All spring activities have been cancelled
- They are not going to apply for the DCED Grant, however they will apply for it next year
- They have decided not to install the Pickleball Courts this spring but may do so in the future.

**Updates:** President Karl reported that an Executive Session was held on 4-28-20 and would give information on that meeting later in this meeting.

President Karl also reported:

- The Sidewalk Project is underway and part of the sidewalk in front of the Elementary School has already been poured.
- The groundwork on Keister and Main street will be starting soon, but the waiting period on the poles is around six months.
  - o Shawn Pugh reported that we may have to pay Bronder before the work is done since all work on this grant must be complete by November, and Gateway would pay for the pole and be reimbursed when the grant comes in.

Shawn Pugh also reported the following:

- The new Police weapons have arrived, and the police are scheduled to qualify with them on 5-7-20. The buy back on the current weapons will take place on 5-13-20.
- We currently have 5 Police resumes for the 2 open part-time positions.

**Discussion Items:**

1. Non-Uniform employee pension plan- Mr. Karl reported that the employees have not contributed to their retirement since 2016. They are contractually obligated to contribute

3.5%. There have been no contributions because the account has been overfunded since 2016. Council all agreed that employees will be provided a letter in their next paycheck explaining that they will start contributing the 3.5% in June.

2. Mr. Karl asked if there was anything to discuss regarding the new Borough Logo. It was decided that the logo will be voted on at the next meeting.
3. Shawn Pugh reported that Slippery Rock Park and Recreation donated a zero-turn lawn tractor to the Borough. Rebecca Black told Shawn that the Borough can accept the tractor with a Resolution. It was decided that adopting this resolution would be placed on next week's meeting.
4. Shawn Pugh reported that SRU has submitted a parade permit for Homecoming Parade on 10/10/20