

Slippery Rock Borough Council

Slippery Rock Borough Office, 306 E. Water Street, Slippery Rock, PA 16057-1170
Council Meeting Minutes for **Tuesday January 5, 2021** from 7:00pm to 8:00pm.

President Russ Karl called the meeting to order at 7:00pm

Mayor Jondavid Longo led the Council members in the Pledge of Allegiance

Shawn Pugh performed the toll call. Those present: Russ Karl, Ron Steele, Gene Allison, Jeff Campbell, Lauren Christmann, Royce Lorentz, Denton Zeronas, Mayor Jondavid Longo, Borough Manager Shawn Pugh, Solicitor Rebecca Black

Citizen Input for Agenda Items Only: None

Reports:

Mayor Longo reported that the Christmas Toy Drive was successful and thanked those who participated including President Russ Karl's congregation. The Mayor also along with two local Baptist churches raised \$6,000 for restaurant workers in Slippery Rock.

Gene Allison reported that there is a large crater in front of Ginger Hill. Shawn Pugh stated that he will report it to Shaun Brown of the Municipal Authority.

Ron Steele stated that he has spoken to Shawn Pugh regarding the wiring for the lights in town. Currently, one Photocell controls the streetlights. Photocells will need to be added to multiple boxes in order to run all lights correctly. The Borough is waiting for an estimate from Bronder.

Russ Karl reported that he has received two letters, one from a resident urging the Boro to be a part of the solution to COVID-19 by continuing to wear masks and practice social distancing. The other letter was from a Poplar Forest resident thanking the Boro for the work that has been completed in Poplar Forest in 2020.

Borough Updates:

ARLE Grant: Shawn Pugh stated that the Boro is waiting on two inspections from Penn Dot and from West Penn Power. \$105,000 is the amount still owed for the traffic light on Kiester and Main Streets.

Discussion Items:

*Parks and Recreation has asked that Mike Johnson be reappointed to the Parks and Recreation Board. It will be moved to next week's agenda for vote.

*The Planning Board is asking that Ron Jordan be appointed to the Planning Commission. It will be moved to next week's agenda for vote.

*There was a discussion regarding the Chicken Fee. It was suggested that a \$50 charge for a two-year period and an inspection every other year be instated. It will be moved to next week's agenda for vote.

*There was a discussion regarding the Park Contract. There is an Intergovernmental agreement between the Boro, the Township and the School Board. The agreement was that the 3 entities formed a board that would run the park. The agreement ends at the end

of 2021. The Council members discussed options moving forward. All members except Ron Steele would like to explore the option of the Borough taking sole control of Slippery Rock Parks and Recreation in 2022. The Borough needs to meet with the Township and the School Board in order to move forward with that option.

Citizen Input:

Regina Greenwald reported that Tom Holmes, a life- long resident and contributor to the Slippery Rock Borough, passed away on December 29, 2020. Regina would like to see him recognized with a plaque. She stated that the “Light the Rock” decorating contest went well. There were 12 participants and 3 winners with a total of \$350.00 in prizes. She stated Slippery Rock in Bloom will continue to care for Memorial Park with the hopes that the Borough will take care of the other parts of the Borough usually cared for by Slippery Rock in Bloom.

Council Person’s Remarks:

Gene Allison remarked that the building that was burning coal for heat has sold. Gene would like to speak with the Planning Commission regarding Licensed trailers in the Boro. He asked if the access to the Waterfall on the corner of New Castle and Elm Streets had been secured. Shawn Pugh stated that it had been. Lastly, Gene remarked that the Christmas Gun Raffle had been a success.

Adjournment:

With no further business to discuss, Russ Karl asked for a motion to adjourn. Jeff Campbell made the motion with Royce Lorentz providing the second. The motion passed unanimously at 8:00pm.