

Slippery Rock Borough Council

Slippery Rock Borough Office, 306 E. Water Street, Slippery Rock, PA 16057-1170
Council Meeting Minutes for **Tuesday May 11, 2021** from 7:00 pm to 7:30 pm

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

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

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

Outside Entity Reports:

Slippery Rock University: Robb King reported that SRU celebrated its Spring 2021 graduates with a two -day series of commencement ceremonies on April 30-May 1. All ceremonies were held at SRU's Mihalik-Thompson Stadium. Each ceremony was livestreamed on www.sru.edu. Robb also announced the hiring of 1988 SRU alum and 2015 Rock Athletics Hall of Fame inductee, Roberta Page as its next director of Intercollegiate Athletics. Robb stated that clinic dates for on campus COVID-19 vaccinations are May 19 & 21. First and second vaccines will be available.

Slippery Rock Community Library: Karen Pierce reported that the library served over 825 patrons in April. The library continues to look for a vendor truck to be present for the library's 16th birthday celebration on June 5, 2021. Karen noted that a SRU intern is working to create opportunities for vocational training for special education students. The library is also hosting an intern from Chatham University who is researching "Green Grants" that will help to reduce the Carbon Footprint for the library. Lastly, Karen reported that in early July, the library will be planting the 300 plants they received in conjunction with the Butler County Conservation District grant.

Slippery Rock Municipal Authority: Shawn Pugh reported on behalf of the SRMA stating that they are continuing to patch the sidewalks on Main Street. The East side is finished, and the West side is expected to be completed in the next few weeks. The MA is preparing the sub - division for the plot of land that their lift station sits on. They will submit it to the Planning Committee when it is complete.

Slippery Rock Parks and Recreation: Mary Messer reported that the park has been busy with the fields being fully utilized. She reported that Summer registration is doing well. The Father/Daughter dance will be held at the football field this Friday May 14, 2021. It will be a bonfire with food, refreshments and music. On May 20, 2021 the High School Musical, "A Musical Review", will be shown. Limited auditorium tickets will be sold. The show will also be live -streamed and tickets can be purchased online through ShowTix4U. Lastly, Mary reported that the pickleball court should be finished and ready for use by June.

Slippery Rock Volunteer Fire Company & Rescue Team: Kurt Reasner reported that they had a busy April with 16 medicals and 25 service alarms. The firehouse had one member graduate from Butler County Fire School this week. There are currently 3 members attending Lawrence County Fire School, they are scheduled to graduate in July. Lastly, The Sportsman Raffle is approaching. The tickets go on sale in June.

Slippery Rock in Bloom: Shawn Pugh reported on SR in Bloom's behalf. Regina Greenwald is searching for volunteers to pull tulips and plant Canna Lilies in the Borough May 29, 2021.

Slippery Rock Development: Shawn Pugh spoke on behalf of the SRD. Shawn stated that the fountain and area are now equipped with lighting. There are pavers and benches that still need to be moved.

Mayor's Comments:

Mayor Jondavid Longo commented that he met with Jack Cohen from Butler County Tourism to determine sites for the 130-150 ft flagpole for the Borough. The Mayor is looking forward to fundraising and moving the proposed project along. The Mayor also congratulated Denton Zeronas on obtaining his degree in education from SRU this Spring.

Citizen Input for Agenda Items Only: None

Police Report: See Attached

Borough Updates: None

Solicitor's Report: None

Discussion Items: None

New Business:

- * Gene Allison made the motion to approve the 4-6-2021 Meeting Minutes. Royce Lorentz provided the second. The motion passed unanimously.
- * Gene Allison made the motion to approve the 4-13-2021 Meeting Minutes. Royce Lorentz provided the second. The motion passed unanimously.
- * Gene Allison made the motion to have the Property Maintenance Ticketing proposal reviewed by Planning Commission. Royce Lorentz provided the second. The motion passed unanimously.
- * Royce Lorentz made the motion to close Main Street on July 3, 2021 from 3:00 pm to 10:15 pm with a rain date of July 4, 2021 from 3:00 pm to 10:15 pm for a 4th of July Street Festival. Denton Zeronas provided the second. The motion passed unanimously.
- * Jeff Campbell made the motion to start the new bidding process for a new garbage contract. Royce Lorentz provided the second. The motion passed with Ron Steele being the only dissenting vote.
- * Jeff Campbell made the motion to purchase two police vehicles from Whitmoyer Auto Group and have them outfitted by Ibis Tech for a total cost of \$100,646.00. Royce Lorentz provided the second. The motion passed unanimously.
- * Ron Steele made a motion to trade in the current Police vehicles to Whitmoyer Auto Group for \$10,000. Royce Lorentz provided the second. The motion passed unanimously.
- * Gene Allison made the motion to purchase a dump truck from Whitmoyer Auto Group for a price of \$82,300.00. Royce Lorentz provided the second. The motion passed unanimously.
- * Gene Allison made the motion to purchase a Husqvarna FS400 Concrete Saw from SSC Tool & Supply for \$2,100.00. Royce Lorentz provided the second. The motion passed unanimously.
- * Gene Allison made the motion to purchase the materials from Seal Master to seal the cracks in the streets in the Borough. Royce Lorentz provided the second. The motion passed unanimously.

* Gene Allison made the motion to close Main Street on September 18, 2021 from 6:30 am to 6:30 pm for the 18th annual Village Fest Celebration. Lauren Christmann provided the second. The motion passed unanimously.

* Gene Allison made the motion to provide a letter of support to Slippery Rock University to apply for a grant for funding for a new Police Office/ROTC Building. Royce Lorentz provided the second. The motion passed with Ron Steele being the only dissenting vote.

Citizen Input:

Jan Forrest from 638 South Main Street in Slippery Rock asked if there were plans for an Electronic Collection this year. The Borough usually has one in conjunction with SRU. There have been no plans as of present. The Township is hosting an Electronic Collection on May 15th. Royce Lorentz made mention that one may have to live in the Township to participate. Jeff Campbell asked if the Boro could host one on its own. Shawn Pugh stated that he would speak with the Code Enforcement Officer and Tri-County to see if the Borough could do that.

Council Person's Remarks: None

Adjournment:

With nothing more to discuss, Russ Karl asked for a motion to adjourn. Jeff Campbell made the motion and Ron Steele provided the second. The motion passed unanimously at 7:30 pm.