

Slippery Rock Borough Council

Slippery Rock Borough Office, 306 E. Water Street, Slippery Rock, PA 16057-1170
Council Meeting Minutes for **Tuesday June 8, 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, Jeff Campbell, Lauren Christmann, Royce Lorentz, Denton Zeronas, Mayor Jondavid Longo, Solicitor Rebecca Black, Borough Manager Shawn Pugh

Outside Entity Reports:

Slippery Rock University: Robb King reported that the University is prepping for the Fall Semester. SRU will return to full in person campus instruction and residency. The dining fees have been approved for the 2021-2022 school year. There are six plans offered. Three show no increase and three plans show a reduction in cost. All options include flex dollars.

Slippery Rock Community Library: Royce Lorentz reported on behalf of Karen Pierce. He stated that over 300 pollination plants were planted by volunteers including Denton Zeronas.

Slippery Rock Municipal Authority: Shaun Brown reported that the restoration on North and South Main Streets is complete. Ron Steele asked if the water issue on the street by the post office has been taken care of. Shaun stated that the electric company placed drains there to help drain the rainwater.

Slippery Rock Parks & Recreation: Mary Messer reported that the park has been packed with kids and that the programs are doing well. The Parks are looking forward to summer events such as the July 3rd celebration and the Artisan Fair. Mary thanked the Municipal Authority for their help with clearing the clogged pipes in the baseball field bathroom. The pipes were clogged with paper towels and rocks.

Slippery Rock Volunteer Fire Company & Rescue Team: None

Slippery Rock Development: Regina Greenwald spoke on behalf of Tom McPherson. Regina reported that they have elected new members to their board. She reported that the Waterfall Project is finished and thanked everyone who made it possible. She reported that Village Fest will take place on September 18th. The deadline for vendor applications is June 30th. SRD will host Bands on Bricks in the Gazebo in August. She reported that the Farmer's Market is doing well. Lastly, she reported that the Veteran Banners that were hung on Main Street on May 14th will remain until after Veterans Day on November 11th.

Slippery Rock In-Bloom: Regina Greenwald reported that there has been \$15,000 raised. To date, \$5,000 has been spent on payroll, plants, and supplies. There is a high school graduate, a rising Senior and a rising Junior working this Summer through September. There are also 3 women volunteering for three hours weekly. They are weeding in Gateway Park. SR In-Bloom has been invited to America In-Bloom competition in 2022. It would need to be a community commitment and would cost approximately \$2-\$3,000. The decision will be made in the fall.

Mayor's Comments:

Mayor Jondavid Longo stated that the preparations for the July 3rd Independence Celebration are under way. The Slippery Rock Volunteer Fire Company & Rescue Team have committed to help raise the flag. The Mayor received confirmation that there will be two flyovers over Slippery Rock along with a Status Display from the Army National Guard. North Country Ramblers will be playing live and the fireworks, done by Sky King, will happen after dark.

Citizen Input for Agenda Items Only:

Regina Greenwald addressed Council regarding her concerns about allowing alcohol in the park. Regina would like to know what the criteria is. Solicitor Black stated that she along with the Borough are working on a resolution that will outline fees, criteria, permits and security requirements.

Becky Lubold also addressed Council regarding her concerns around alcohol in the park.

Police Report: See Attached

Borough Updates:

*Shawn Pugh stated that Jeff Campbell has submitted a quote for the electric work that needs to be done in Memorial Park.

*Shawn Pugh stated that he has researched payroll companies and has found that ADP offers the most amenities for the price. It will be placed on next month's agenda.

*Shawn Pugh gave an update on the curbs in front of the University. SRU has agreed to replace the curbs at their cost.

Solicitor's Report: None

Discussion Items: None

New Business:

*Gene Allison made the motion to approve the 5-4-2021 meeting minutes. Denton Zeronas provided the second. The motion passed unanimously.

*Gene Allison made the motion to approve the 5-11-2021 meeting minutes. Denton Zeronas provided the second. The motion passed unanimously.

*Gene Allison made the motion to appoint Tom McPherson to the Civil Service Commission for a term of six years. The motion passed unanimously.

*Gene Allison made the motion to appoint Doug Cook to the Planning Commission for a term of 4 years. Jeff Campbell provided the second. The motion passed unanimously.

*Jeff Campbell made the motion to appoint Susan Stover to the Zoning Hearing Board for a term of 5 years. Denton Zeronas provided the second. The motion passed unanimously.

*Gene Allison made the motion to advertise for paving services for Pig-Tail Alley, School Drive, and Old Forge Road. Royce Lorentz provided the second. The motion passed unanimously.

*Royce Lorentz made the motion to terminate future ZOOM meetings. Ron Steele provided the second. The motion passed unanimously.

*Denton Zeronas made the motion to approve Resolution 447 extending the Borough Fee Reduction through 6-30-2022. Royce Lorentz provided the second. The motion passed unanimously.

*Denton Zeronas made the motion to allow Vintage Finds & Artisan Fair to have alcohol at the event at the park on August 14, 2021. Jeff Campbell provided the second. The motion passed with Gene Allison being the only dissenting vote.

Citizen Input:

Janet Stalnacker wanted to alleviate worry surrounding alcohol sales at the Artisan Fair. She stated that the sale and consumption of alcohol will be confined to a designated space.

Councilperson's Remarks:

Jeff Campbell remarked that his bid for the Memorial Park Project includes materials and supplies only. Mr. Campbell is donating labor cost to the Borough for the project.

Ron Steele remarked that the bathrooms at the park are locked at 8:00 pm but that there are people in the park after 8:00 pm. Mary Messer stated that they will change the time to 9:00 pm.

Adjournment:

With nothing further on the agenda, Russ Karl asked for a motion to adjourn. Jeff Campbell made the motion and Gene Allison provided the second. The motion passed unanimously at 7:30 pm.