

Slippery Rock Borough Council

Slippery Rock Borough Office, 306 E. Water Street, Slippery Rock, PA 16057-1170
Council Workshop Meeting for **Tuesday June 1, 2021**, from 7:00 pm to 8:00 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, Borough Manager Shawn Pugh

Citizen Input for Agenda Items Only:

Janet Stalnaker (See Attached) is hosting an Artisan Fair to be held in the community park on August 14, 2021, from 6:00 am to 7:00 pm. The Park Board gave permission for the fair. Janet addressed Council requesting permission to allow the sale of alcohol in the park during the event. There will be security, portable toilets, and ATM machines for the convenience of the attendees. Royce Lorentz stated his concern regarding parking issues. Janet stated that there will be volunteers there to direct parking.

Reports:

Mayor Longo reported that he is continuing to work on the July 3, 2021, Independence Celebration. The request for a military flyover has been approved. Sky King Fireworks will orchestrate the show after dark.

Gene Allison reported that there are bulk items in the Borough that are not being collected and therefore are sitting around the community. Shawn Pugh will speak with the Code Enforcement Officer to make sure things are collected correctly.

Jeff Campbell reported that he had been out of town recently and had a conversation with a couple that spoke highly of the Slippery Rock area.

Royce Lorentz reported that the Slippery Rock Library will be planting approximately 200 plants on 6-2-202. These plants are designed to create a pollinator garden.

Ron Steele reported that the Borough is looking nice and that the Street Department is doing a great job.

Moment of Silence:

President Russ Karl asked for a moment of silence in memory of Fred Emigh.

Borough Updates:

- Shawn Pugh updated Council members on the police cars. The police cars were delivered but arrived a white color and the cars were ordered to be black. The cars were sent back to be wrapped in black vinyl at no cost to the Borough.
- Shawn Pugh updated Council members on the status of the catch basin on Main Street across from the Subway. The University and the Borough are discussing the option of the University paying half of the cost to fix the catch basin.

Discussion Items:

Recycling Cans: There was a discussion regarding the potential sale of extra recycling cans that were acquired through a county grant. There is a party interested in purchasing the bins for \$15 each. Shawn Pugh will check with the Borough Solicitor to see if items acquired through a grant can be sold.

Payroll Paychex to ADP: (See Attached) There was a discussion regarding switching the Borough payroll from Paychex to ADP. The switch will save the Borough \$991.96 for the first year and each subsequent year it will cost the same amount as the service the Borough currently has. Jeff Campbell and Gene Allison both suggested two additional payroll companies and Gene Allison asked that Shawn Pugh get 2 other bids before deciding.

Tom McPherson- Civil Service Commission: (See Attached) Tom McPherson submitted a letter stating his desire to serve on the Slippery Rock Borough Civil Service Commission. There was no objection from Council. It will be moved to 6-8-2021 agenda for vote.

Sue Stover-Zoning Hearing Board: (See Attached) Sue Stover submitted a letter stating her desire to serve on the Zoning Hearing Board. There was no objection from Council. It will be placed on the 6-8-2021 agenda for vote.

Doug Cook-Zoning Hearing Board to Planning Commission: (See Attached) Doug Cook submitted a resume and expressed his desire to transfer from the Zoning Hearing Board to the Planning Commission. There were no objections from Council. It will be placed on the 6-8-2021 agenda for vote.

E-Waste Discussion: (See Attached) There was a discussion regarding the options concerning disposal of E-Waste for Borough residents. Due to the garbage contract being up for bid, it is not appropriate to enter an E-Waste contract with Tri-County currently. It was the consensus of Council that the residents can take their E-Waste directly to Tri-County to have it disposed of.

Paving Advertisement: (See Attached) There was a discussion regarding advertising the contract for the paving of Pig Tail Alley, Old Forge Road and School Drive separately. Approval for advertising for the paving contracts will be placed on the 6-8-2021 agenda for vote.

Continuation or termination of Zoom Meetings: There was a discussion regarding the continuation of Zoom meetings. Council was in favor of terminating the meetings due to it no longer being essential and the added cost of having the meetings via ZOOM. It will be placed on the 6-8-2021 agenda for vote.

Extension of Fee Reductions: (See Attached) There was a discussion regarding extending the fee reductions for businesses. Council was in favor of extending the fee reductions. It will be placed on the 6-8-2021 agenda for vote.

Vintage Finds & Artisan Fair: (See Attached) There was a discussion regarding the approval of alcohol permitted in the park for the event. It will be placed on the 6-8-2021 agenda for vote.

Citizen Input: None

Councilperson's Remarks:

Royce Lorentz remarked that the left turn lane going North on the corner of Main and Franklin Street is not defined and appears to cause some confusion at times. Borough Manager Shawn Pugh stated that Penn Dot is aware of it and will be painting the lines this summer.

Gene Allison asked for an update on the property where the Marathon was located on the corner of Main and Franklin Street. The Borough is waiting on a report from Letterle & Associates to determine if the lot is free of contaminants. Gene also asked for an update on the 48-hour parking signs. Shawn stated that they are ordered and that the Street Department will put them up soon.

Adjournment: With nothing more to discuss, Russ Karl asked for a motion to adjourn. Jeff Campbell made the motion and Gene Allison provided the second. The motion passed unanimously at 8:00 pm.
