

## **SLIPPERY ROCK BOROUGH COUNCIL**

Slippery Rock Borough Office, 306 E. Water Street, Slippery Rock, PA 16057-1170  
Council Meeting Minutes for **Tuesday July 13, 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:** Russell Karl, Ronald Steele, Gene Allison, Jeffrey Campbell, Lauren Christmann, Royce Lorentz, Denton Zeronas, Mayor Jondavid Longo, Solicitor Black, and Borough Manager Shawn Pugh.

### **Outside Entity Reports:**

**SRU-** Robert King reported that SRU is currently winding down their search for a Chief Diversity Officer. They are also looking for a new Director for Office of Inclusion Excellence.

**SR Library-** Karen Pierce reported that they are now up to 1,000 patrons for the summer. She also reported that there have been 200 computer users, and they have added an additional network, 3 more laptop computers, bringing the total to 10 computer stations. They also have 100 kids signed-up for the summer reading program that ends at the end of this month.

**SR Parks & Rec-** Mary Messer thanked Jimmy and Ryan for painting the Pickleball Courts. She reported that the summer programs are doing very well, and the Pickleball Court will close early next Friday due to a Gymnastic Event.

**SR Fire and Rescue-** Kurt Reasner reported that there were 20 medical calls in June, 2 structural fires, with 5 service calls. They also have 2 graduates from the academy and 2 members earning certificates for the rank of FF1. They also are selling their annual gun raffle tickets.

### **Mayors Comments:**

Mayor Longo thanked Russ Karl along with the SR Fire and Rescue for their assistance for the Fourth of July celebration. He also reported Tinkers Dam is going out of business, but there are 3 businesses preparing to open, a veterinarian, a vape shop, and a day-care.

**Citizen Input for Agenda Items Only:** None

### **Police Report:**

Mayor Longo provided the report

- Parking fines, MDJ revenue, and local ordinance violations are not complete as Angel is on vacation.
- There has been 2,600 miles patrolled and there were 16 criminal offences.

### **Borough Updates:**

**-New Cars-** Shawn reported that the two new Police Cars have been delivered.

**-Catch basins-** Shawn reported that a catch basin on Kiester road has been replaced but was extremely difficult with the pipes encased in concrete across the entirety of the road. The catch basin on Kelly Blvd is going to be repaired next.

**Solicitor Report:** None

**Discussion Items:** None

**Street Paving Award:**

Solicitor Black stated that after inspection all bids contained all necessary information. Russ Karl stated that there was enough money in the State Fund to complete Pig Tail Alley and School Drive with \$16,147.00 left over for salt purchases and any emergencies. Wiest paving was the lowest bid at \$67,628.36. Royce Lorentz then explained to everyone present that the plan was to rent a crack sealer this year to use on the streets within the Borough to maintain them so they last longer. Russ Karl then asked for a motion to award Wiest with the contract. Jeff Campbell made the motion with Royce Lorentz providing the second. The motion was passed unanimously. Solicitor Black then raised the issue that Council needed to reject the bids for the other two streets in the bids (Old Forge and Jefferson Court). The motion for this was provided by Ron Steele and the second was provided by Royce Lorentz. The motion was passed unanimously.

**New Business**

**-Motion to approve the June 1<sup>st</sup> Minutes** motion was Made by Royce Lorentz and a second was provided by Lauren Cristmann. The motion was passed unanimously.

**- Motion to approve the June 8<sup>th</sup> Minutes** motion was Made by Ron Steele and a second was provided by Jeff Campbell. The motion was passed unanimously.

**-Motion to appoint John Stalnaker to the Planning** motion was made by Denton Zeronas and a second was provided by Royce Lorentz. The motion was passed unanimously.

**-Motion to switch payroll companies from Paychex to ADP** motion was presented by Royce and a second was provided by Denton Zeronas. The motion was passed unanimously.

**-Motion to advertise Ordinance 217 (Property Maintenance)** was presented by Jeff Campbell and a second was provided by Royce Lorentz. The motion was passed unanimously. (This was explained to those present by Russ Karl).

**-Motion to approve Application #196 (SRMA West Water Street Lift Station)** was presented by Royce Lorentz and a second was provided by Denton Zeronas. The motion was passed unanimously. (This was explained to those present by Shawn Pugh).

**-Motion to allow alcohol at the park for Oktoberfest** was presented by Ron Steele and a second was provided by Jeff Campbell. A discussion ensued with Mayor Longo stating he would like the event to occur on Main Street instead of the park. Ron Steele stated that having it at the park brings the park into the fold and reminds the public that the park is there for events. Gene Allison stated that he believes that the signs prohibiting alcohol located at the park need to be changed. Solicitor Black stated that this would cause confusion. The vote then took place with everyone in favor with the exception of Gene Allison who voted against.

**Citizen Input:** None

**Councilperson's Remarks:**

**-Royce Lorentz** reported that a streetlight on New Castle Street appeared to be hit with the clam shell casing laying on the sidewalk. He stated that on that particular street with the lights not currently working it may be advantageous to move them off the sidewalk or come up with a better idea. He would like people to think of other options for this issue.

**-Ron Steele** asked Shawn Pugh about the assessment regarding the bank lot on Main Street. Shawn Reported that he had been in contact with Nicklas, King, and McConahy and they reported it would take several weeks.

**Adjournment:**

With no further business to discuss Russ Karl asked for a motion to adjourn. Gene Allison presented the motion, and Royce Lorentz provided the second to the motion. The motion passed unanimously.