

# Slippery Rock Borough Council Meeting

306 East Water Street Slippery Rock, PA 16057

Tuesday October 18, 2022, from 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm

Denton Zeronas called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

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

Shawn Pugh Performed the Roll Call. Those Present: Denton Zeronas, Lauren Christmann, Royce Lorentz, Ron Steele, Alex Tuten, Borough Solicitor Rebecca Black, Mayor Jondavid Longo, Borough Manager Shawn Pugh. Council members Jeff Campbell and John Hicks were not present.

Mike Pavelek announced that he is recording the meeting for 10-18-2022.

## Citizen Input for Agenda Items Only:

Mike Pavelek reported that the tree removal process in the passive park is on track. Gizella Goyak thanked council for forming a committee to receive community input and delegate volunteer responsibilities. She asked that Council take the Audubon Society's recommendation and be a good steward of the land owned by the Borough.

Borough Updates: None

#### **Discussion Items:**

**Passive Park Committee:** Christian Laskey presented the committee's recommendations. It was found that the dead trees and shrubs would be removed and that an arborist will be sent out to the passive park to identify trees and shrubs that should be preserved.

Borough Manager Interview: Shawn Pugh reported that the interview process is complete, and that Council will discuss the Hiring Committee's recommendations in an executive session.

#### **New Business:**

\*Royce Lorentz made the motion to approve the hiring of Downtown Redevelopment Services to write a grant to replace and update the South Main Street Streetscape. Lauren Christmann provided the second. The motion passed unanimously following a roll call vote.

\*Royce Lorentz made the motion to approve the Passive Park Committee's recommendations. Lauren Christmann provided the second. The motion passed unanimously following a roll call vote.

Citizen Input: None

**Executive Session:** At this time, Denton Zeronas announced that Council will adjourn into an executive session in which they will return. **Following the executive session:** 

\*Alex Tuten made the motion to offer the position of Borough Manager to Christian Laskey. John Hicks provided the second. The motion passed unanimously following a roll call vote.

\*Royce Lorentz made the motion to advertise the position of Code Enforcement Officer for the Borough. Lauren Christmann provided the second. The motion passed unanimously following a roll call vote.

## Councilperson's Remarks:

Mayor Longo remarked that Council made a step in the right direction by hiring Christian Laskey as the new Borough Manager. He also extended his gratitude for former Council member Gene Allison, who was in attendance, for his hand in voting to hire Shawn Pugh as Borough Manger citing the great strides that Shawn has made for the Borough in the last few years.

### Adjournment:

With nothing further on the agenda to discuss, Denton Zeronas asked for a motion to adjourn. Royce Lorentz made the motion and Ron Steele provided the second. The motion passed unanimously following a roll call vote.