



## Slippery Rock Borough Workshop Meeting

306 E Water Street Slippery Rock, PA 16057

Tuesday November 1, 2022 from 7:00 pm to 7:38 pm

**Jeff Campbell called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.**

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

**Borough Manager Christian Laskey Performed the Roll Call. Those Present:** Jeff Campbell, Denton Zeronas, Lauren Christmann, John Hicks, Royce Lorentz, Ron Steele, Alex Tuten, Solicitor Black, Mayor Jondavid Longo, Borough Manager Christian Laskey

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

**\*Mike Pavelek announced that he is recording the meeting.**

### **Reports:**

**Jondavid Longo:** None

**Lauren Christmann:** None

**John Hicks:** None

**Alexandra Tuten:** None

**Ron Steele:** Ron reported that the repair work around the firehall has been done. He also reported that the Borough is working on fixing issues in the Gordley business parking lot.

**Royce Lorentz:** None

**Denton Zeronas:** Denton reported that he and the Borough Manager are finishing the employee contracts. He also reported that a team store has been set up for the park. The link can be found on the park's website. Clothing is available and 10% of all sales will be donated back to park.

**Jeff Campbell:** None

### **Borough Updates:**

**Christmas Tree at Memorial Park:** The Borough will assemble the tree in Memorial Park on Monday, November 7, 2022 with a rain date scheduled for Tuesday, November 8, 2022. The Slippery Rock Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Team will lend their services again this year. Volunteers are welcome to help fluff and separate the branches.

**Vacant Lot:** The final stamped survey of the vacant lot has been received. It was not received in time for the November Planning Commission meeting. It has been sent to the Butler County Planning Commission and will be reviewed by the Slippery Rock Borough Planning Commission in December. They will make a recommendation to Council at the first meeting in January.

\*Jeff Campbell asked for a motion to authorize Christian Laskey to have the vacant lot appraised. Alex Tuten made the motion and Royce Lorentz provided the second. The motion passed following a roll call vote.

**Skid Steer:** (See Attached) The Street Department is concerned about the competency of the 16-year-old skid steer. They have received quotes and are hoping to trade it in for \$16,500.00 and in turn use that money toward purchasing a new one.

**Patrick Leahy Bulletproof Vest Partnership:** Slippery Rock Borough has been awarded the Patrick Leahy Bulletproof Vest grant. It is a 50% match grant. Police Officers will be fitted for the vests on November 8, 2022. We do not expect to be invoiced for the vests until January 2023 and will be budgeted in the 2023 budget. The Borough's contribution for the grant will be \$3,150.00.

#### **Discussion Items:**

**Insight Pipe Quote:** Christian Laskey presented the quote information from Insight Pipe. The quote is for cleaning, inspection, and repair of multiple storm water lines in the Borough. The quote is for \$3,696.42. It is expected to be completed in a day. Approval of Insight Pipe completing the job will be moved to next week's agenda for vote.

**2023 Meeting Dates:** (See Attached) The 2023 meeting dates have been presented to Council for review. Christian stated that in previous years, Council meetings had been held the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting of every month. He asked if Council is wanting to change back to that schedule. Christian will provide Council with both schedules. It will be reviewed and moved to next week's agenda for vote.

**Resolution #458 Downtown Redevelopment Grant:** (See Attached) Christian Laskey presented resolution #458, employing DRS to write a Multimodal Transportation Fund Grant for the Borough. Council will review it and it will be moved to next week's agenda for vote.

**Passive Park:** Jeff Campbell asked Christian Laskey to get quotes for a 4ft high fence for the passive park. It will include 2-man gates, which will remain open, and 1 double gate for park crew vehicles if needed.

#### **Citizen Input:**

**Mike Pavelek** stated his appreciation for the person who went out to address Gordley's storm water issues as he was not happy about how Gordley was treated at the meeting he attended. He also reported that he contacted the DEP regarding burning the dead wood and debris on Borough property. He stated that the DEP will not issue a permit or determination since it is not required. He is asking council for a motion to burn dead wood and debris on the passive park grounds. Solicitor Black responded that there will be no motion as Council had just received the information. Jeff Campbell stated that it will be moved to next week's agenda as a discussion item.

**Alan Maust** stated that he has two people who both state that they were given permission to brush hog and cut down trees in the passive park and that it was not recorded in the minutes. Jeff Campbell asked Borough Treasurer, Angel Walker if that was recorded. Angel stated that there was no motion made to allow Volunteers to use a brush hog and cut down and burn trees. There was a motion made to allow volunteers to act on the specific direction of Council and only after Solicitor Black's Hold Harmless agreements were signed and submitted.

**Solicitor Black** is recommending to Council that all action is stopped on the property until the Borough's Hold No Harm agreements are signed and submitted and any action must be specifically approved by the Borough Manager or Council. Mike Pavelek continued to bring up his Council's advice. Solicitor Black stated that she would speak with Mr. Pavelek's Council regarding any concerns he may have with the Hold Harmless agreements.

#### **Council Person's Remarks:**

**Royce Lorentz** remarked that the Borough Police Department did a great job with their patrolling and presence during Trick-or-Treat on October 31, 2022.

**Adjournment:**

With nothing further on the agenda to discuss, Jeff Campbell announced that Council will adjourn into an executive session in which they will not return. Ron Steele made the motion and Royce Lorentz provided the second. The motion passed at 7:38 pm.