Slippery Rock Borough Council Meeting



306 E Water Street Slippery Rock, PA 16057 Tuesday February, 21, 2023 from 7:00 pm to 7:38 pm

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

Mayor Longo led Council members in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Christian Laskey performed the roll call. Those present: Jeff Campbell, Lauren Christmann, John Hicks, Royce Lorentz, Ron Steele, Mayor Jondavid Longo, Borough Solicitor Rebecca Black. Borough Manager Christian Laskey and Council members Alex Tuten and Denton Zeronas were not in attendance.

Public Recording Announcement: Mike Pavelek announced that he is recording the meeting.

Outside Entity Reports:

Slippery Rock University: (See Attached) Justin Zackal gave a report for the University for the month of January as well as updates on future events.

Slippery Rock Community Library: None

Slippery Rock Municipal Authority: None

Slippery Rock Volunteer Fire Company & Rescue Team: (See Attached) Fire Chief, Ryan Hanchosky gave a report for the month of January for the Fire and Rescue team. He added that the fish dinner fundraiser starts this Friday, February 24, 2023, and will run every Friday through April 7, 2023.

Slippery Rock Student Government Association: None

Mayor's Comments: Mayor Longo reported that the soil test for the flag site is complete, and it received approval for implementation.

Citizen Input for Agenda Items Only: None

Police Report: None

Solicitor's Report: Rebecca Black addressed the on-going tax assessment appeal from Madison Grove. She stated that the assessment from the County has been received and she advised that Council consider settling the Madison Grove assessment appeal.

*Jeff Campbell asked for a motion to amend the agenda to add the consideration of a Stipulation to Settle the Madison Grove tax assessment appeal under new business. Royce Lorentz made the motion with Ron Steele providing the second. The motion passed unanimously following a roll call vote.

Committee Updates:

Personnel: None

Finance/Budget: None

Streets: None

Facilities/Properties: The Borough continues to research materials for a new roof for the Borough building.

Public Safety: Mayor Longo and Chief Fedokovitz have looked at quotes for Speed Readers. Speed Readers can benefit the Borough by collecting data that will aid in proper utilization of police enforcement. Royce Lorentz added that sharing the speed readers with the Township may be a way to lower the cost of the readers.

Economic Development: A new business, the Steele Mill is to open next week at 118 Franklin Street.

Intergovernmental Relations: None

*Council member Denton Zeronas arrived at this time.

Park: Jeff Campbell reported inspecting the road at the park and stated that it does indeed need repair. Denton Zeronas added that he is preparing to submit the paperwork required for the Butler County Parks grant.

Zoning: None

Planning: None

Civil Service: None

Comprehensive Plan: None

Borough Updates: None

Discussion Items: None

New Business:

*Denton Zeronas made the motion to approve the meeting minutes from January 3, 2023. Royce Lorentz provided the second. The motion passed unanimously following a roll call vote.

*Ron Steele made the motion to approve the meeting minutes from January 17, 2023. Royce Lorentz provided the second. The motion passed unanimously following a roll call vote.

*John Hicks made the motion to approve the 2023 Farmers and Makers Market request to use the gazebo, grass lot and part of Gateway parking lot for the market. Denton Zeronas provided the second. The motion passed unanimously following a roll call vote.

*Royce Lorentz made the motion to approve the 2023 Village Fest request to close South Main Street from 6:30am to 6:30pm on September 16th, 2023. Lauren Christmann provided the second. The motion passed unanimously following a roll call vote.

*Ron Steele made the motion to approve the 2023 Band on the Bricks request to use the gazebo and adjacent grass lot. Royce Lorentz provided the second. The motion passed unanimously following a roll call vote.

*Royce Lorentz made the motion to approve the hiring of Police and Fire Consultant Bill Gamble to revise the Borough's Civil Service rules and regulations. John Hicks provided the second. The motion passed unanimously following a roll call vote.

- *Royce Lorentz made the motion to approve Resolution #462 Authorization Resolution for Butler County Municipal Infrastructure Grant. John Hicks provided the second. The motion passed unanimously following a roll call vote.
- *Denton Zeronas made the motion to approve Resolution #463 Mayor of the Year Nomination. John Hicks provided the second. The motion passed unanimously following a roll call vote.
- *John Hicks made the motion to approve Resolution #464 Butler County Parks Development program. Lauren Christmann provided the second. The motion passed unanimously following a roll call vote.
- *Denton Zeronas made the motion to authorize the advertisement of Council's intention to adopt the PMRS Authorization Ordinance. John Hicks provided the second. The motion passed unanimously following a roll call vote.
- *Royce Lorentz made the motion to approve the advertisement of Council's intention to adopt the Hometown Hero's Tax Credit Ordinance. Denton Zeronas provided the second. The motion passed unanimously following a roll call vote.
- *Royce Lorentz made the motion to approve the advertisement of Council's intention to adopt the Slippery Rock Borough False Alarm Ordinance. Ron Steele provided the second. The motion passed unanimously following a roll call vote.
- *Royce Lorentz made the motion to approve the stipulation to settle the Madison Grove tax appeal as presented. John Hicks provided the second. The motion passed unanimously following a roll call vote.

Citizen Input: None

Councilperson's Remarks: None

Public Remarks: None

Adjournment:

With nothing left on the agenda to discuss, Jeff Campbell asked for a motion to adjourn. Royce Lorentz made the motion with John Hicks providing the second. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:38 pm.