



Slippery Rock Borough Council Workshop Meeting

306 E Water Street Slippery Rock, PA 16057
Tuesday February 7, 2023 from 7:00 pm to 7:35 pm

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

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

Christian Laskey Performed the Roll Call. Those Present: Jeff Campbell, Denton Zeronas, Lauren Christmann, John Hicks, Royce Lorentz, Ron Steele, Mayor Longo, Borough Solicitor Rebecca Black, Borough Manager Christian Laskey. Council person Alex Tuten was not in attendance.

Public Recording Announcement: Slippery Rock University student Matthew Glover announced that he would be video recording the meeting.

Citizen Input for Agenda Items Only: None

Reports:

Jondavid Longo: Mayor Longo reported that the soil tests for the flag site was conducted today. The finished fabrication of the flag is slated for February 15, 2023. His hope it to have the flag up by Memorial Day.

Lauren Christmann: None

John Hicks: None

Alex Tuten: None

Ron Steele: None

Royce Lorentz: Royce Lorentz reported that the 2023 tourist publication is available in the hallway at the Borough building.

Denton Zeronas: None

Jeff Campbell: None

Borough Updates:

Audits: Christian Laskey reported that the Borough is working on completing the 2022 General Fund and Workman's Comp audits. He also reported the Liquid Fuel report is finished for 2022.

Insight Pipe Findings: Insight Pipe found problems with several pipes on Grove City Road. The Borough is awaiting footage from those inspections. Council will discuss it more as that information is made available.

Borough Building Roof: Christian Laskey reported that he will meet with Brendan Badstibner from L&M Roofing Association, LLC on February 8, 2023. Mr. Badstibner will look at the Borough building roof and give an estimate using COSTAR pricing for the needed materials.

Civil Service Update: (See Attached) There was a discussion regarding hiring a consultant to revise the Borough's Civil Service rules and regulations. The approval of hiring a consultant will be moved to the February 21, 2023 meeting for vote.

Vacant Lot: The Borough is waiting on a second survey from Graff Surveying. Council will discuss plans for the vacant lot after receiving the new assessment.

Discussion Items:

***Overlay District Trashcans:** Christian Laskey stated that Slippery Rock Development would like to replace the garbage cans on South Main Street. They are requesting help with purchasing new garbage cans. Mayor Longo suggested that SRD use funds from various fundraisers to pay for the new cans. Jeff Campbell stated that the 2023 budget is done and with projects like replacing the Borough building roof in our future, he is not sure we can spend money on South Main Street garbage cans. Ron Steele stated that he would like to see the break -down of cost per can. Jeff Campbell added that the current cans can possibly be painted.

***Council, Planning Commission and Zoning Hearing Board Meeting Times:** There was a discussion regarding moving meeting times to 6:00 pm or 6:30 pm. Most Council members stated that it would not work for them. The Council meetings will remain at 7:00 pm. The Planning Commission and Zoning Hearing Board members will be approached to see if they are interested in making the meeting times earlier. Any changes to meeting times will be advertised.

***2023 Farmers and Makers Market Request:** (See Attached) Approval of the Farmer's Market request to use the gazebo, grass lot and part of Gateway parking lot for the market will be moved to the February 21, 2023 agenda for vote.

***2023 Village Fest Request:** (See Attached) Approval of the request to close South Main Street for Village Fest from 6:30 am to 6:30 pm on September 16, 2023 will be moved to the February 21, 2023 agenda for vote.

***Resolution #462 Authorization Resolution for Butler County Municipal Infrastructure Grant:** (See Attached) Authorization to receive the Infrastructure Grant will be moved to February 21, 2023 agenda for vote.

***PMRS Authorization:** (See Attached) This resolution will be revised as an ordinance. It will be renumbered and the approval to advertise the proposed adoption of this ordinance will be placed on the February 21, 2023 agenda for vote.

***Resolution #463 Mayor of the Year Nomination:** (See Attached) This resolution has been renumbered due to changes in the agenda. Approval of the resolution will be moved to the February 21, 2023 agenda for vote.

* **Hometown Hero's Tax Credit:** (See Attached) This resolution will be revised as an ordinance. It will be renumbered and the approval to advertise the proposed adoption of this ordinance will be placed on the February 21, 2023 agenda for vote.

***Resolution #464 Butler County Park's Renovation Development Program:** (See Attached) There was a change in this resolution number due to changes in the agenda. Permission to apply for the grant will be placed on the February 21, 2023 agenda for vote.

***Slippery Rock Borough False Alarm Ordinance:** (See Attached) This proposed amendment to the ordinance will be moved to the February 21, 2023 agenda for vote.

***Band on Bricks:** (See Attached) Approval of the use of the gazebo and adjacent grass lot for Band on Bricks will be moved to the February 21, 2023 agenda for vote.

Citizen Input: None

Councilperson's Remarks:

Royce Lorentz: asked if there will be a discussion on the vacant lot. Christian Laskey stated that after it is reassessed, Council will discuss plans for the vacant lot.

Rebecca Black asked Council to make any changes in the ordinances before moving to advertise them.

Ron Steele: asked if the proposed tax cuts for the Hometown Heroes ordinance apply to Borough residents only. Mayor Longo replied that it does but that he hopes that other municipalities follow Slippery Rock's lead and provide tax cuts for their first responders as well.

Executive Session/Adjournment:

With nothing further on the agenda to discuss, Jeff Campbell stated that they would adjourn into an executive session in which no action will be taken, and they will not return. Ron Steele made the motion. John Hicks provided the second. The meeting adjourned at 7:35 pm.