

Slippery Rock Borough Council Meeting

306 East Water Street Slippery Rock, PA 16057

Tuesday March 21, 2023 from 7:00 pm to 7:48 pm

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

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

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

Public Recording Announcement: Borough resident Mike Pavleck announced that he was recording the meeting.

Outside Entity Reports:

Slippery Rock University: None

Slippery Rock Community Library: None

Slippery Rock Municipal Authority: (See Attached) Christian Laskey was given a report which he presented to Council.

Slippery Rock Volunteer Fire Company & Rescue Team: (See Attached) Christian Laskey was given a report which he presented to Council.

Slippery Rock Student Government Association: None

Mayor's Comments: Mayor Longo reported that the flag -pole is up.

Citizen Input for Agenda Items Only: None

Police Report: (See Attached)

Solicitor's Report: Rebecca Black stated that there are 3 motions, items M, N and O, on the agenda that will be postponed until more descriptive ads can be written and resubmitted for advertisement.

Committee Updates:

Personnell: None

Finance/Budget: None

Streets: Ron Steele reported that there are several roads that will be tarred and chipped this summer.

Facilities/Properties: None

Public Safety: None

Economic Development: Mayor Longo reported that there are parties still interest in the vacant lot. Once the new survey is reviewed, he is hoping to move forward with getting the vacant lot back on the market.

Intergovernmental Relations: None

Park: Denton Zeronas reported that spring sport registrations are underway. Alex Tuten added that tickets for the play, The Addams Family will be on sale soon. In April, the park will host a half- way to Halloween meet and greet with the cast from the play. Children are invited to wear their costumes and trick or treat.

Zoning: None

Planning: None

Civil Service: Ron Steele stated that the reappointments for the Civil Service Commission are on the agenda tonight for vote.

Comprehensive Plan: None

Borough Updates: None

Discussion Items:

Plans for University Police and ROTC Facility: Christian Laskey distributed plans for the new facility to Council. This building will be located in Slippery Rock Township. The stormwater retention pond associated with this project is located in Slippery Rock Borough so plans have been submitted to Borough Engineers to ensure compliance to its Stormwater Ordinance.

Bank Lot Survey: Christian Laskey presented the new survey to Council for review.

Civil Service Commission: Christian Laskey stated that the appointments are necessary so that the Serive Commission can reorganize as needed in April.

New Business:

*Royce Lorentz made the motion to approve the meeting minutes from February 7, 2023. Ron Steele provided the second. The motion passed unanimously following a roll call vote.

*John Hicks made the motion to approve the meeting minutes from February 21, 2023. Alex Tuten provided the second. The motion passed unanimously following a roll call vote.

*Ron Steele made the motion to approve the July 1, 2023, Independence Day Celebration from 12:00 pm to 10:00 pm. Alex Tuten provided the second. The motion passed unanimously following a roll call vote.

*Ron Steele made the motion to approve the September 23, 2023 Octoberfest from 12:00 pm to 4:00 pm. Royce Lorentz provided the second. The motion passed unanimously following a roll call vote.

*Royce Lorentz made the motion to approve the resignation of Matt Chapman from the Planning Commission. Lauren Christmann provided the second. The motion passed unanimously following a roll call vote.

*Royce Lorentz made the motion to approve the advertisement of a vacancy on the Planning Commission. Alex Tuten provided the second. The motion passed unanimously following a roll call vote.

*Ron Steele made the motion to appoint Tom McPherson to a 6-year term on the Civil Service Commission. John Hicks provided the second. The motion passed unanimously following a roll call vote.

*John Hicks made the motion to appoint Jeff Steele to a 4- year term on the Civil Service Commission. Royce Lorentz provided the second. The motion passed unanimously following a roll call vote.

*Ron Steele made the motion to appoint Ron Greenwald to a 2 -year term on the Civil Service Commission. Royce Lorentz provided the second. The motion passed unanimously following a roll call vote.

- *Royce Lorentz made the motion to appoint Ron Steele as an alternate on the Civil Service Commission. John Hicks provided the second. The motion passed with Ron Steele being the only abstaining vote.
- *Royce Lorentz made the motion to appoint Mike Ravert as an alternate on the Civil Service Commission. Ron Steele provided the second. The motion passed unanimously following a roll call vote.
- *Ron Steele made the motion to appoint Doreen Taggart as an alternate on the Civil Service Commission. Lauren Christmann provided the second. The motion passed unanimously following a roll call vote.
- *No action was taken on the motion to approve the adoption of the PMRS Authorization Ordinance.
- *No action was taken on the motion to approve the adoption of the Hometown Hero's Tax Credit Ordinance.
- *No action was taken on the motion to approve the adoption of the Slippery Rock Borough False Alarm Ordinance.

Citizen Input:

Ian Oman from 120 Parklane Drive addressed Council regarding the site selection for the flag in the park. Mr. Oman stated that property owners near the park should have been consulted and considered when deciding the site for the flag. He is concerned for his property value, and noise disturbances that a large flag could produce. Ron Steele stated that the flag, along with the site has been discussed for over a year by Council and the Park Board. Christian Laskey reported that all regulations including height restrictions and safety concerns were vetted before the flag was erected. The mayor added that a soil test had also been conducted. Mr. Oman ended the conversation with his hopes that in the future, Council consider residents input on matters that would directly affect them.

Councilperson's Remarks: None

Adjournment:

With nothing further on the agenda to discuss, Denton Zeronas asked for a motion to adjourn. Ron Steele made the motion. Alex Tuten provided the second. The motion passed unanimously, and the meeting adjourned at 7:48pm.