

# **Slippery Rock Borough Workshop Meeting**

306 E Water Street Slippery Rock, PA 16057

**Tuesday July 11, 2023** from 7:00 pm to 7:45 pm

**Jeff Campbell Called the Meeting to Order at 7:00 pm.**

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

**Christian Laskey Performed the Roll Call. Those Present:** Jeff Campbell, Denton Zeronas, John Hicks, Royce Lorentz, Ron Steele, Alex Tuten, Mayor Jondavid Longo, Borough Manager Christian Laskey. Councilperson Lauren Christmann was not in attendance. Solicitor Black was in attendance via zoom call.

**Public Recording Announcement: Please stand and state your name for the public record:** None

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

## **Reports:**

**Jondavid Longo:** Mayor Longo expressed his gratitude for all who helped in making the Independence Day celebration a success. He especially thanked Jeff Campbell, Denton Zeronas and Royce Lorentz for all they did with and around the Grand Ole Flag site.

**Lauren Christmann:** None

**John Hicks:** Councilperson Hicks expressed his appreciation for the Mayor and everyone who worked so hard to make the Independence Day Celebration a success.

**Alexandra Tuten:** Councilperson Tuten stated that she reached out to the Slippery Rock High School regarding the Jr. Councilperson Program and that she is awaiting a response.

**Ron Steele:** Councilperson Steele reported that the paving in the Borough will start this week.

**Royce Lorentz:** None

**Denton Zeronas:** Councilperson Zeronas reported that the park is offering a theater camp from July 31- August 11, 2023 for grades 2-5. He also echoed that the Independence Day Celebration was a success and expressed his happiness to see the community support and involvement.

**Jeff Campbell:** None

## **Borough Updates:**

**Slippery Rock In Bloom:** (See Attached) Regina Greenwald gave an update for Slippery Rock in Bloom. Judges for the America in Bloom competition will be in Slippery Rock from Wednesday July 19, 2023 through Friday July 21, 2023. They will tour town, the park, and the Slippery Rock University's Macoskey Center for Sustainability Education & Research. There will be a picnic at 5:30 p.m. Thursday night at the Rotary Pavilion in the park and the judges will be at Roosters Coffee Shop from 9:30 am to 11:30 am Friday morning for a meet the community event. All are welcome to attend.

**Paving and Base Repair:** Christian Laskey reported that Sonntag Excavating will be starting the paving project in the Borough on Friday July 14, 2023 weather permitting. They will mill on Friday and pave starting Monday.

**Zoning Hearing Board:** Christian Laskey reported that there will be a hearing on July 26, 2023. The hearing is for Homeowners in the Borough seeking a variance for a rear yard set back.

**Comprehensive Plan:** Christian Laskey, Councilperson Lorentz, and local community leaders met with consultant, Denny Puko. Future meeting dates and a tentative project timeline was set.

**Civil Service Commission:** (See Attached) Christian Laskey and Chief Fedokovitz met with consultant this week. A final draft of the updated policies and procedures for the Civil Service Commission was presented to Council.

#### **Discussion Items:**

**Resolution 472 - The Junior Council Person Program:** Council would like to take part in the Junior Council Person Program. This resolution would allow a high school student from Slippery Rock Area Highschool to be a representative and attend Council on behalf of the Highschool. Resolution 472 has been moved to the July 25, 2023 meeting agenda for vote.

**Resolution 473 – Sourcewell:** Sourcewell is a national cooperative purchasing program similar to COSTARS. Resolution 473 will give the Borough the ability to utilize their services to find the lowest costs. The resolution has been moved to the July 25, 2023 meeting agenda for vote. Royce Lorentz added that we should buy American as much as possible.

**Homecoming Street Closure:** Slippery Rock University requested closing streets down on Saturday October 21, 2023 for their Homecoming Parade. They would like to shut down Highland Avenue from Franklin Street to Center Street, Maple Street from Franklin Street to Center Street and School Drive from Franklin Street to just past the Brewery. The request will be moved to the July 25, 2023 meeting agenda for vote.

**Citizen Input:** None

**Councilperson's Remarks:** None

#### **Executive Session/Adjournment:**

With nothing further to discuss, Jeff Campbell stated that Council will adjourn into an executive session in which no action will be taken and in which they would not return. He asked for a motion to adjourn. John Hicks made the motion and Royce Lorentz provided the second. The motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm.