

Slippery Rock Borough Council Meeting

306 East Water Street Slippery Rock, PA 16057

Tuesday February 6, 2024 from 7:01 pm to 7:33 pm

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

Mayor Longo Led Council in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Longo Performed the Swearing in of Junior Councilperson, Ben Uber.

Christian Laskey Performed the Roll Call. Those Present: Jeff Campbell, John Hicks, Lauren Christmann, Paul Lueken, Jennifer Ravert, Alex Tuten, Solicitor Rebecca Black, Mayor Jondavid Longo, Borough Manager Christian Laskey. Councilperson Ron Steele was not in attendance.

Public Recording Announcement: Please Stand and State Your Name for the Public Record:

James Cressman from the SRU Rocket announced that he was recording the meeting.

Zach Petroff from the Butler Eagle announced that he was recording the meeting.

Citizen Input for Agenda Items Only: None

Reports:

Jondavid Longo: Mayor Longo reported that he is looking forward to many anticipated events in the Borough in 2024.

Lauren Christmann: Lauren Christmann reported that she had been approached several times by residents that would like to see the flag up through the winter.

Paul Lueken: None

Alexandra Tuten: Alex Tuten reported that she is happy to have Junior Councilperson, Benjamin Uber joining them.

Ron Steele: Absent

Jen Ravert: Jen Ravert extended her welcome to Junior Councilperson, Benjamin Uber.

John Hicks: None

Jeff Campbell: Jeff Campbell reported being happy with the mild weather. He also extended his welcome to Benjamin Uber as the Borough's first Junior Councilperson.

Borough Updates:

Hazardous Waste Pickup: (See Attached) Noble Environment, contracted through Butler County, is hosting a hazardous waste pickup. They will be in the Borough on June 15, 2024 at 306 East Water Street for scheduled timeframes.

Civil Service: The Civil Service Committee will meet on Friday February 9, 2024 at 2:00 pm at the Borough building. The committee will approve the advertising of the hiring of a 4th full time officer and authorize a testing company for officer evaluations.

Laborer Position: The Hiring Committee has narrowed the applicant list for the laborer position to 10 candidates. All candidates have been contacted. Seven of those have scheduled interviews that will take place on February 7, 2024.

Downtown Redevelopment Meeting: The Comprehensive Plan meeting with Downtown Redevelopment will take place on Wednesday February 28, 2024 at 6:00 pm at the Slippery Rock Fire Hall. All are invited to attend.

PennDOT Speed Study: Pennsylvania State Representative, Tim Bonner has requested that Penn Dot perform a speed study in the Borough. New Castle Street and Franklin Street will be the targeted areas.

Elm Street Stormwater: The Slippery Rock Street Department discovered a sink hole which led to the discovery of a failing underground vault on Elm Street. The engineers looked at it last week and fixed it temporarily while determining a permanent solution.

Discussion Items:

Planning Commission Resignation: (See Attached) Paul Lueken has submitted a letter of resignation from the Planning Commission. Approval of Mr. Lueken's resignation will be placed on the 6-20-2024 meeting agenda for vote.

Planning Commission Appointment: (See Attached) Chris Abbott has submitted a letter of interest for the Planning Commission. The appointment of Chris Abbott to the Planning Commission will be placed on the 6-20-2024 meeting agenda for vote.

Park Grant Resolution: (See Attached) Resolution 476 is needed to apply for a Butler County Parks and Recreation grant. Alex Tuten made the motion to approve Resolution 476. Jennifer Ravert provided the second. The motion passed following a roll call vote.

Zoning Officer Intergovernmental Agreement: (See Attached) The agreement with Slippery Rock Township will allow the Township to utilize the Borough's Code Officer when needed for a set fee. Approval of the Intergovernmental agreement will be placed on the 6-20-2024 meeting agenda for vote.

Fourth of July Independence Day Street Closure: The Independence Day celebration will take place on July 6, 2024 from 11:00 am to 11:00 pm. With the rain date of July 13, 2024. Approval of the street closure will be placed on the 6-20-2024 meeting agenda for vote.

Village Fest Street Closure: Village Fest will take place on September 28, 2024 from 6am to 6:30pm. Approval of the street closure will be placed on the 6-20-2024 meeting agenda for vote.

Oktoberfest Street Closure: Oktoberfest will be held on October 5, 2024 with a rain date of October 6, 2024 from 11:00 am to 7:00 pm. Approval of the street closure will be placed on the 6-20-2024 meeting agenda for vote.

Social Media: (See Attached) The Borough will be creating a Facebook page. Policies and procedures need to be in place before the social media account is created. Approval of the policies and procedures for social media sites will be placed on the 6-20-2024 meeting agenda for vote.

Citizen Input:

Jonathan Foust added that a Borough Facebook account will create a central hub where all Borough news can be accessed.

Councilperson's Remarks:

Paul Lueken extended his welcome to Benjamin Uber, the Borough's Junior Councilperson.

Adjournment:

With nothing further on the agenda to discuss, Jeff Campbell asked for a motion to adjourn. Jen Ravert made the motion and Paul Lueken provided the second. The motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 7:33 pm.