

Slippery Rock Borough Council Meeting

306 E. Water Street Slippery Rock, PA 16057
Tuesday May 7, 2024 from 7:02 pm to 7:36 pm.

John Hicks called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm.

Mayor Longo led Council in the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

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 reminded the public that the VFW and American Legion will hold a Memorial Day ceremony at 10:00 am at the Slippery Rock Cemetery. There will be a picnic at the park following the ceremony.

Benjamin Uber: Absent

Lauren Christmann: None

Paul Lueken: None

Alexandra Tuten: reported that Slippery Rock Highschool was nominated for the 2024 Henry Mancini award for outstanding student achievement in high school musical theater. The awarded school will be announced on May 19, 2024.

Ron Steele: reported that the Slippery Rock Borough Street Department is doing a great job with projects in the Borough. He mentioned that the restroom at the park by the baseball fields is out of order. Lastly, he stated that the Butler Eagle reported that Wendell August Forge is moving from Grove City into Slippery Rock Township.

Jen Ravert: echoed Ron Steele's praise of the Borough's Street Department. The Street Department is currently working on the infrastructure on Elm Street. She added that the area that the street department is working on would make a perfect spot for a speed bump. She also reported that the Butler County Association of Boroughs will host a breakfast in Harrisville on May 18, 2024 for all Borough Managers, Council Members and Borough Employees to meet and collaborate.

John Hicks: reported that Aiken Refuse had done a nice job of collecting trash and bulky items in the borough. He also stated that he was happy to see Ron Steele was feeling better.

Jeff Campbell: Absent

Borough Updates:

Comprehensive Plan: Christian Laskey reported disbursing a digital rough draft of the Comprehensive Plan to council. After a discussion, all were in favor of letting the Planning Commission review the plan at their 5-9-2024 meeting. Their recommendation to council will be discussed at the 5-21-2024 council meeting.

Civil Service: Christian Laskey reported that the applicant for the full-time police officer position has passed all testing. The Civil Service Committee will meet this Thursday, 5-9-2024 at 2:00 pm at the Slippery Rock Borough building for review. If approved, the candidate will officially be offered the position.

Borough Speed Limits: Setting all borough street speed limits at 25 mph will be placed on the 5-21-2024 meeting agenda for vote.

Sidewalk Grant: Christian Laskey announced that he had applied for a federal grant for pedestrian access. If awarded, the Borough will add a sidewalk extension connecting North Main Street and Grove City Road along Kelly Blvd.

Discussion Items:

Kelly Boulevard Stop Signs: (See Attached) The approval to advertise the intention to adopt the amendment to Chapter 275-12, adding 2 stop signs on Kelly Blvd at Oak Street and Willow Street will be placed on the 5-2-2024 meeting agenda for vote.

Resolution 477 Fees: (See Attached) The approval of Resolution 477, Fee Schedule will be placed on the 5-21-2024 meeting agenda for vote.

School Street Event Closures: (See Attached) Paul Lueken made the motion to approve the closing of School Street for special events occurring in 2024. Alex Tuten provided the second. The motion passed following a roll call vote.

Citizen Input for Non-Agenda Items: None

Councilperson's Remarks:

Ron Steele voiced his opinion that although he wants the borough to be free of the debt, he would like to see the vacant lot remain a green space.

Alex Tuten remarked that the park director is aware of the bathroom issue at the park and that it will be addressed this week.

Executive Session and Adjournment:

With nothing further on the agenda to discuss, John Hicks reported that Council would be adjourning into an executive session in which no action would be taken and in which they would not return. Ron Steele made the motion and Lauren Christmann provided the second. The motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 7:36 pm.