

McKees Rocks Borough

Public Meeting

December 12, 2017

The meeting was called to order by President of Council, Mr. George Riel. President Riel requested roll call. Present were Council Tracey Pedersen, Council Elizabeth Delgado, Council Maribeth Taylor, Vice-President Kathy Evich, Council Paul Krisby, Council Joe Mixter. Also present were Mayor John "Jack" Muhr, Borough Manager Ruth A. Pompey and Administrative Assistant LeeAnn Wozniak. Mr. Douglas Evans from NIRA Consulting Engineers and Borough Assistant Solicitor Ms. Katherine Janocsko, of Goehring Rutter & Boehm was present. Controller Julia Chambers and Council Craig Meyers were absent.

A moment of silence was requested by President Riel for the recent passing of Mr. Walter Levitzki.

Agenda Comments: None

Last Month's Minutes:

A motion was made by Council Taylor and seconded by Council Krisby to dispense the reading of minutes November 2017. The motion was adopted by acclamation.

Committee Reports:

- Vice-President Evich read the November 2017 activity report from the McKees Rocks Independent Volunteer Fire Department. The Fire Department received a total of 14 calls. There were 5 false alarms, 2 at Hays Manor, Buildings 17 & 18. Response also included 2 haz mat calls, 1 carbon monoxide call, 1 motor vehicle accident, 1 tree down, 1 water condition (a bathtub overflowed), and 3 structure fires. 2 of the structure fires were at the same house and considered suspicious. Allegheny County Fire Marshalls office is investigating. No firefighter injury's this month.

Engine 189 responded to 8 incidents. Engine 189-2 responded 1 time. Truck 189 response - 1time, Rescue 189 - 1 time, Utility 189 – no response. Persons in private vehicles responded directly to scene 8 times, canceled in route 4 times. Mutual aide provided by Presston Station 277 on 14 calls. Total person response from Station 189 to calls in November was 95, averaging 6.8 persons.

- Vice-President Evich read the monthly Activity Report from the McKees Rocks Police Department for November 2017. Chief Deliman reported a total of 808 events. There were 146 cases reported, 48 arrests, 91 citations (86 traffic, 5 non-traffic), and 23 impounded vehicles. Total mileage on patrol vehicles 7,162. Total money submitted to the Borough Manager was \$11,817.33.

Mayors Report: Mayor Muhr commented that he contacted Senator Fontana and Representative Deasy's office to discuss contacting the City of Pittsburgh regarding the poor condition of the bridge by River Road, which is in need of repair and the City of Pittsburgh's responsibility.

Mayor Muhr presented members of the McKees Rocks Historical Society with a Proclamation in celebration of the Historical Society's 10 year Anniversary on December 4, 2017.

Borough Manager's Report: Ms. Ruth A. Pompey briefly read through the 2018 preliminary general account budget, totaling \$3,781,218.00. It was reported that there is no real estate tax or business tax increase. The Borough sent CSX an email indicating any balance for October and November bills applicable to them and after verifying bills through fund received, an invoice will be prepared for \$750,000.00 payment to the borough.

Engineer's Report:

Mr. Douglas Evans provided a written capsule report last evening to Council and there are no additional action items to discuss this evening.

Solicitor's Report:

Ms. Katherine Janocsko stated that the reorganization meeting scheduled for January 2, 2018 and all borough meeting dates for 2018 is required to be advertised. Ms. Janocsko also stated on record that the additional language requested to be added to proposed Ordinances during Monday's Caucus meeting will be added for voting.

Controller's Report:

As of November 30, 2017 General Fund, both income and expenses have annual budget of \$3,634,736.18. Expenses totaled \$3,337,519.20 approximately 91.82% of annual budget. Balance remaining in annual budget is \$297,216.98. Balance in the General Fund Checking Account is \$270,631.04.

As of November 30, 2017 Sewer Fund, both income and expenses have an annual budget of \$1,788,359.00. Expenses totaled \$1,242,881.89 approximately 69.5% of the annual budget. Balance remaining in the annual budget is \$545,477.11. Balance in the Sewer Fund Checking Account is \$495,064.35.

Bills:

A motion was made by Council Krisby and seconded by Council Mixter to pay the bills as they are. The motion was adopted by acclamation.

Agenda:

1. A motion was made by Council Krisby and seconded by Council Taylor to adopt First National Bank as a banking partner with McKees Rocks for 2018. The motion was adopted by acclamation.
2. A motion was made by Council Mixter and seconded by Council Krisby to adopt the 2018 budget, as advertised. The motion was adopted by acclamation.
3. A motion was made by Council Taylor and seconded by Council Mixter to approve Ordinance 1745 Street and Sidewalk Opening, and distribute to all utility companies. The motion was adopted by acclamation.

4. A motion was made by Council Taylor and seconded by Council Krisby to approve Ordinance 1746 Commercial Vehicle Parking, adding a parking permit requirement when applicable. The motion was adopted by acclamation.
5. A motion was made by Council Taylor and seconded by Council Delgado approve the park rental alcohol permit application, with additional language indicating "no glass containers and no underage drinking." The motion was adopted by acclamation.
6. A motion was made by Council Krisby and seconded by Council Mixer to authorize advertising of Tax Mill Ordinance drafted by Borough Solicitor, indicating the tax millage will remain the same for real estate in 2018. The motion was adopted by acclamation.
7. A motion was made by Council Delgado and seconded by Council Taylor to adopt Resolution 6093, prohibiting the location of a Category 4 Licensed "mini casino" within the Borough of McKees Rocks. The motion was adopted by acclamation.
8. A motion was made by Council Taylor and seconded by Council Krisby to accept the sealed bid advertisement and vehicle bid form for the unmarked Chevy Impala, adding deadline of January 2, 2018. The motion was adopted by acclamation.

New Business:

A motion was made by Council Taylor and seconded by Council Krisby to authorize the Borough Engineer to apply for the DCED small water and sewage program grant which has a grant amount \$50,000-\$500,000 with a 15% match, which will assist the borough handling the flooding problem in the Bottoms. The motion was adopted by acclamation.

Old Business:

President Riel commented that this will be his final borough meeting as President of Council, and thanked everyone on Council for allowing him to serve.

A motion was made by Council Taylor and seconded by Council Krisby to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned, by President Riel.