

McKees Rocks Borough
Public Meeting
June 12, 2018

The meeting was called to order by President of Council, Mr. Paul Krisby. President Krisby requested roll call. Present were Council Shallegra Moye, Council Maribeth Taylor, Council Leslie Gee, Council Craig Myers, Council Sarah Harvey, and 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 Solicitor Ms. Megan Turnbull, of Weiss Burkhardt Kramer, LLC was present. Vice-President Kathy Evich participated by phone. Council Elizabeth Delgado and Controller Bosetti were absent.

Agenda Comments/Changes: None

Guest Speaker:

- Pastor Ronald A. Woods, of New Testament Christian Church was in attendance to request use of Ranger's Field on August 11, 2018 for a Community Prayer Picnic 6:00pm-8:00pm. The event would involve an evening prayer service along with picnic type foods, free to all in attendance. A motion was made by Council Moye and seconded by Council Lee to approve use of Ranger's Field for Pastor Ronald A. Woods prayer event. The motion was adopted by acclamation.

- Mr. Chris Stys, Sto-Rox Boosters President was in attendance to request use of Ranger's Field for the Sto-Rox High School Football Team to practice during the Summer and early Fall months, as artificial turf is being installed at the Sto-Rox High School possibly as soon as June 15th. Mr. Stys advised he has already been in contact with the Sto-Rox Little Vikings that the scheduling will be during the day, while the Little Vikings usually practice in the evening. Borough Solicitor commented that insurance liability and an indemnification agreement should be put in place prior to utilizing the field for practice, and Borough Solicitor will assist Sto-Rox in obtaining these requirements. A motion was made by Council Myers and seconded by Council Mixter to authorize use of Ranger's Field pending receiving legal documents previously discussed. The motion was adopted by acclamation.

Last Month's Minutes:

A motion was made by Council Myers and seconded by Council Mixter to dispense the reading of May 8, 2018 Public Meeting minutes. The motion was adopted by acclamation.

Committee Reports:

- Council Moye read the May 2018 activity report from the McKees Rocks Independent Volunteer Fire Department. The Fire Department received a total of 30 calls. There were 4 false alarms, 3 at Hays Manor, 1 each at Buildings 3-4, 2 and 19. Response also included 9 motor vehicle accidents and 4 smell of gas calls. There was also 1 oil leak, 1 fuel leak, 1 lockout, 1 C O alarm, and 1 person who set off 3 flea bombs while remaining in house. There was 1 transformer fire, 2 vegetation fire, 2 car fires and 2 structure fires. No injuries were reported.

Engine 189 responded to 10 incidents. Engine 189-2 responded 5 times. Rescue 189 2 times, Truck 189 no response, Utility 189 – 4 times and persons in private vehicles responded directly to scene 24 times. VFD

cancelled enroute 9 times. Mutual aide provided by Presston Station 277 on all calls. In addition, Stowe Station 275 provided aid to us 3 times, Kennedy Station 181, provided mutual aid 1 time, and Seville Station 251 provided mutual aid 1 time. All mutual aide was for possible structure fires, mostly minor and cancelled enroute. VFD provided mutual aid to Stowe Station 275 3 times and to Fairview Station 250 for a structure fire in area of Ross Township on a daylight response. Total person response from Station 189 to calls in May was 155, averaging 5.1 persons.

- Council Moye read the monthly Activity Report from the McKees Rocks Police Department for May 2018. Chief Deliman reported a total of 932 events. There were 139 cases reported, 30 arrests, 27 citations (22 traffic, 2 non-traffic, 3 borough weight citations), and 25 impounded vehicles. Total mileage on patrol vehicles 4,721. Total money submitted to the Borough Manager was \$6,802.73.

Committee Reports: None

Mayors Report:

Mayor Muhr reported that there have been a lot of abandon vehicles on the streets, and the community should call the Police Department if they see any vehicles with bad inspection stickers. Mayor also commented that he has been sending violations to property owners for high grass and weeds.

Borough Manager's Report: None

Engineer's Report:

Mr. Evans provided Council and Borough Manager with the Roadbotics brochure and Program Agreement for review, as a follow-up to last evening's Caucus Meeting. Mr. Evans is going to pursue requesting Roadbotics to be present at the July meeting for a question and answer session, pertaining to the documents provided tonight. Mr. Evans also commented that the Borough will need to either adopt or modify the Allegheny County Storm water Ordinance within the next six months. A suggestion was made by Mr. Evans that either a Committee form to discuss this ordinance or the Borough Manager and Engineer meet to discuss.

Solicitor's Report: Ms. Turnbull stated for meeting minute recording purposes that a written Solicitors Report was provided to Council last evening which included both public and confidential information, regarding a wide range of situations that are occurring within our municipality. Ms. Turnbull is available to answer any questions or concerns that may arise from the report provided.

Controller's Report:

As of May 31, 2018 General Fund, both income and expenses have annual budget of \$3,781,218.00. Expenses totaled \$1,067,100.04; approximately 28.22% of annual budget. Balance remaining in the annual budget is \$2,714,117.96. Balance in the General Fund Checking Account is \$392,895.43.

As of May 31, 2018 Sewer Fund, both income and expenses have an annual budget of \$1,694,243.00. Expenses totaled \$397,912.62; approximately 23.49% of the annual budget. Balance remaining in the annual budget is \$1,296,130.38. Balance in the Sewer Fund Savings Account is \$587,792.07.

A motion was made by Council Myers and seconded by Council Gee to accept the Controller's Report. The motion was adopted by acclamation.

Bills:

A motion was made by Council Mixter and seconded by Council Gee to pay the bills. The motion was adopted by acclamation.

Agenda:

1. A motion was made by Council Harvey and seconded by Council Gee to use of 579 Chartiers Avenue for the 2nd Annual We are the Village Community Day on July 7, 2018, presented by Zellous Hope Project. The motion was adopted by acclamation.
2. A motion was made by Council Mixter and seconded by Council Myers to approve use of Rangers Field on July 14, 2018 for a Community Public Safety Day, presented by NorthWest EMS. The motion was adopted by acclamation.
3. A motion was by Council Myers and seconded by Council Moyer to approve use of Furnace Street Municipal Lot for the FEASTival event September 7-9, 2018, presented by the McKees Rocks CDC. Council Taylor abstained. The motion was adopted by acclamation.
4. A motion was made by Council Taylor and seconded by Council Myers to accept Weiss Burkhardt Kramer LLC legal proposal as new Borough Solicitor. The motion as adopted by acclamation.
5. A motion was made by Council Taylor and seconded by Council Myers to approve Char-West COG to process request of payment application no. 1 for 2017 catch basin replacements, in the amount of \$17,280.00 by U & S Construction. The motion was adopted by acclamation.
6. A motion was made by Council Moyer and seconded by Council Gee to accept Insight Pipe Cleaning, LLC as low bidder of 2018 sewer cleaning and televising, in the amount of \$24,285.20. The motion was adopted by acclamation.
7. A motion was made by Council Harvey and seconded by Council Gee to authorize Borough Manager to advertise a Full Time Code Enforcement Officer position in the Gazette 2.0. The motion was adopted by acclamation.
8. A motion was made by Council Gee and seconded by Council Taylor to authorize Borough Manager to advertise a Temporary Full-Time Street Department Laborer position in the Gazette 2.0. The motion was adopted by acclamation.
9. A motion was made by Council Mixter and seconded by Council Gee to authorize purchase of police vehicles pending successful insurance contract negotiation. The motion was adopted by acclamation.
10. A motion was made by Council Myers and seconded by Council Gee to transfer Liquid Fuels Account from PNC Bank to First National Bank. The motion was adopted by acclamation.
11. A motion was made by Council Harvey and seconded by Council Taylor to authorize exploration of Roadbotics software. Council Mixter opposed. Roll call requested, resulting in 6 Yes, 2 No – Council Mixter and Council Myers opposing. Motion passed.
12. A motion was made by Council Taylor and seconded by Council Gee to accept Mr. John Stahl, as the Full Time Building Code Official pending Executive Session discussion of employee's benefits package. The motion was adopted by acclamation.
13. A motion was made by Council Harvey and seconded by Council Taylor to order signs for Noise Ordinance. The motion was adopted by acclamation.
14. A motion was made by President Krisby and seconded by Council Gee to approve Enterprise Bank Settlement and Release Agreement. The motion was adopted by acclamation.
15. A motion was made by Council Mixter and seconded by Council Gee to approve the Borough Manager's Employment Agreement. Council Harvey Opposed. Roll call requested, resulting in 5 Yes, 3 No – Council Harvey, Council Taylor, and Council Moyer opposing. Motion passed.

16. A motion was made by Council Myers and seconded by Council Mixter to approve the Multimodal Transportation Grant Resolution No. 6095. The motion was adopted by acclamation.
17. A motion was made by Council Mixter and seconded by Council Gee to approve the RACP Grant Resolution No. 6096 for the McKees Rocks Revitalization – Creekside Office Building Project. Council Taylor and Council Harvey opposed. Roll call requested, resulting in 6 Yes, 2 No – Council Harvey and Council Taylor opposing. Motion passed.
18. A motion was made by Council Mixter and seconded by Council Gee to approve the Cooperation Agreement with McKees Rocks Commercial Properties, LLC. Council Taylor and Council Harvey opposed. Roll call requested, resulting in 4 Yes, 3 No – Council Harvey, Council Taylor, and Council Moye opposing. Motion passed.
19. A motion was made by Council Mixter and seconded by Council Myers to authorize Borough Solicitor to advertise for the Zoning Amendment Hearing in July 2018, during the scheduled monthly Council Meeting. The motion was adopted by acclamation.
20. A motion was made by Council Taylor and seconded by Council Moye to authorize Borough Solicitor to advertise the restatement of Rental Housing Ordinance, incorporating all amendments. The motion was adopted by acclamation.

New Business:

Council Taylor questioned if Act 93 allows the Borough to lien all properties owned by the property owner(s) of 708 Chartiers Ave, who are failing to comply with demolition requirements of a multi-unit apartment building that was a total loss from structure fire in December 2017. This property is a safety concern for the community, and is currently in code violation. Borough Solicitor commented that the Borough can only file a lien if the Borough has incurred some sort of debt because of this property, but there are other options to hold property owner(s) accountable for this situation which will be looked into further. The cost of this demolition is estimated to be \$150,000.00.

Council Taylor also motioned, on behalf of Council Delgado's absence to issue \$100.00 payment to the Post-Gazette for copies of photographs of McKees Rocks to use on the borough website. President Krisby seconded motion. The motion was adopted by acclamation.

Council Harvey announced that the Free Lunch Program at Sto-Rox High School is Monday through Friday 11:30 am – 12:30 pm, free for ages 18 and under and \$3.00 per adult. The Free Lunch Program is also starting at Uansa Village Monday through Friday 11:00 am – 1:00 pm, free for ages 18 and under.

Council Mixter suggested that the Borough should hang 3 flags in the municipality – American Flag, state flag, and a POW flag. Council Mixter commented that he would purchase a POW flag on his own for display, if needed. Council agreed to display the flag(s), with suggestions of trying to obtain the flags without Council Mixter incurring personal cost.

Chief Deliman announced that the McKees Rocks Police Department and Stowe Township Police Department are planning the 2nd National Night Out on August 7, 2018 5:00 pm – 8:00 pm at Sto-Rox High School.

Old Business:

A resident of Shingiss Street commented that her property again was flooded with sewage back-up. President Krisby advised that the Borough Engineer is currently gathering addresses that were affected recently by the heavy rain and will be in contact with ALCOSAN.

President Krisby advised all in attendance that the public portion of the Council meeting is adjourned, and Council will be participating in an Executive Session to discuss legal and personnel issues. Meeting adjourned.