Borough of McKees Rocks Public Meeting June 13, 2023

7:00 PM Public Meeting

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call:

Present: President Archie Brinza, Vice-President Joe Mixter, Councilman Craig Myers, Councilman Frank McQuillan, Councilman Vincent Corrie, Councilman Ralph Gallagher, Councilwoman Michele Arlott, and Councilman Malesnick

Absent: Councilwoman MaryAnn Holland

Also present for this meeting were Mayor David Flick, Borough Manager LeeAnn Wozniak, Administrative Assistant Amantha Schoen, Controller William Beck, Assistant Solicitor Michelle Gannon of Weiss Burkhardt Kramer, LLC, and Borough Engineer Mr. Douglas Evans, of NIRA Consulting Engineers, Inc.

Agenda Comments/Changes: None

Guest Speaker:

- 1. Ms. Maribeth Taylor Proposed development of Hays Manor/Community Concerns
- 2. Mr. Mike Baily/Baily Insurance Borough insurance presentation

Reports:

• <u>Borough Engineer</u> – The monthly capsule report was presented by Borough Engineer on 06/06/2023 during caucus meeting.

Action Items:

a.) A motion was made by Councilman Malesnick and second by Councilman McQuillan to approve ACT 152 County Blight Concurring Resolution and Slum and Blight Resolution for the demolition of 421-425 Woodward, 316 and 318 Woodward, 317 Woodward Ave and 416 Woodward Ave. Motion was adopted by acclamation.

• <u>McKees Rocks Police Department</u> – Chief Deliman read the monthly May 2023 Police Department activity report. A copy is on file at the Borough Manager office.

• <u>McKees Rocks Code Enforcement Officer</u> – Borough Manager Wozniak read the monthly May 2023 Code Enforcement Activity Report. A copy is on file at the Borough Manager office.

• <u>Volunteer Fire Department</u> – Presston Fire Chief Michael Stepek, Sr was in attendance to give Council a verbal monthly activity report. No written report on file.

• <u>Mayors Report</u>: Mayor Flick thanked residents for participation. Mayor Flick commended our Code Enforcement Officer, Bobby Thompson for all the hard work he has been doing. Also commented that the Borough office is understaffed and always working hard as well. Mayor Flick suggested that Council review Ordinance 1772, Murals indicating the amended Ordinance is in violation of the First Amendment. Mayor Flick met with some Stowe Twp Commissioners regarding animal control, possibly sharing in the expense in

the future. Mayor Flick discussed the Juneteenth holiday, with the history of freedom and local community events.

• Borough Solicitor:

Informational only: The Borough Council met for an executive session prior to the public meeting to discuss personnel matters and litigation matters.

- A motion was made by Councilman Malesnick and second by Councilman McQuillan to approve Borough Resolution 1695, property donation of 1026 Chartiers Avenue. Motion was adopted by acclamation.
- A motion was made by Councilman Myers and second by Councilman Malesnick to authorize Solicitor to execute the Joint Petition for Settlement in the pending PennDOT matter before the Public Utility Commission (PUC). Motion was adopted by acclamation.

- A motion was made by Councilman Corrie and second by Councilman McQuillan to approve the execution of ALCOSAN Settlement Agreement. Motion was adopted by acclamation.

• Borough Manager:

Informational only: The Borough's 2022 financial audit is almost complete, office is working with Baily Insurance for 2023/2024 insurance renewals, also gathering quotes for security system at Public Works Department.

- A motion was made by Councilman Corrie and second by Councilman Malesnick to authorize the McKees Rocks Historical Society place a small memorial plaque at Five Points, in honor of a long-time resident/member who recently passed. Motion was adopted by acclamation.

- A motion was made by Councilman Corrie and second by Councilman McQuillan to approve final land development plans of 101 Munson Avenue Warehouse Project. Motion was adopted by acclamation.

Reading of the Minutes: A motion was made by Councilman Myers and second by Councilman McQuillan to approve the meeting minutes from May 09, 2023 public meeting minutes. Motion was adopted by acclamation.

Controllers Report:

<u>GENERAL FUND</u>: Both Income and Expenses have an annual budget of \$4,612.200. As of May 31, 2023 the Income was \$ 3,062,912.85 or 66.4 % of the budgeted Income. Expenses were \$1,863,591.05 or 40.4 % of the budgeted Expenses. Balance in the General fund accounts as of May 31, 2023 was \$1,954,085.82.

<u>SEWER FUND</u>: Both Income and Expenses have an annual budget of \$2,146,000.00 As of May 31, 2023, the Income was \$778,395.90 or 36.3 % of the budgeted Income. Expenses were \$828,615.00 or 38.8 % of the budgeted Expenses. Balance in the Sewer Fund accounts as of May 31, 2023 was \$861,384.53.

CSX Account: As of May 31, 2023 balance in the CSX Account was \$559,784.52

LIQUID FUELS: As of May 31, 2023 balance in the Liquid Fuels Account was \$170,491.23

ARPA Recovery: As of May 31, 2023 balance in the ARPA Recovery Account was \$104,586.41

A motion was made by Vice-President Mixter and second by Councilman McQuillan to accept the Controllers report for May 31, 2023. Motion was adopted by acclamation.

Bills: A motion was made by Councilman Myers and second by Councilman Malesnick to pay the bills. Motion was adopted by acclamation.

Agenda Voting:

- 1. Public Safety Committee (Chair Archie Brinza)
 - New Business: Stop sign placement at Helen/Sproul Presenter: David Flick Mayor Flick suggested adding a stop sign for safety reasons (speeding) near the area of Helen Street/Sproul Street. Assistant Solicitor Gannon advised to support placement of stop signs, a traffic study would need to be done, with an amendment to an Ordinance to add the permanent stop sign placement. In the interim, President Brinza mentioned possibly adding a temporary speed bump while Assistant Solicitor looks into the matter.

2. Finance and Administration Committee (Ralph Gallagher)

- A motion was made by Vice-President Mixter and second by Councilman Malesnick to approve continued unpaid leave of absence for 90 days for Employee 269, subject to renewal by Council by further action. Motion was adopted by acclamation.
- A motion was made by Councilman Corrie and second by Councilman Myers to advertise for temporary, part-time Office Clerk up to 32 hours/week at \$15.00 per hour. Motion was adopted by acclamation.
- A motion was made by Councilman Malesnick and second by Councilman Corrie to amend the agenda to consider new business pertaining to Employee 273's employment status. Motion was adopted by acclamation.
- A motion was made by Councilman McQuillan and second by Councilman Malesnick to move Employee 273 to unpaid leave effective June 12, 2023. Motion was adopted by acclamation.
- A motion was made by Councilman Malesnick and second by Councilman McQuillan to appoint Mr. Robert Coward, Jr. as new member of Civil Service Commission to fill one (1) vacancy seat. Motion was adopted by acclamation.
- **3. Real Estate Committee (Archie Brinza, Chair)** President Brinza briefly discussed a meeting coming up with the committee to address property donations and how the Borough intends to dispose of properties effectively.

4. Public Works Committee (Archie Brinza, Chair)

- (New Business) Summer help high school students, MyWork Initiative Program ** Motion to consider approval of working with the MyWork Initiative*** – President Brinza (Council) needs clarification regarding availability of supervisors for the students. TABLED
- **5.** Borough Association (Craig Myers, Chair) Councilman Myers mentioned other municipalities (Munhall for example) do their garbage collection in-house, something the borough should consider looking into in the future.
- 6. Char-West COG (Joseph Myers, Chair) No Report

- 7. Borough Development (Craig Myers, Chair) Councilman Myers briefly mentioned the Borough needs to bring back small businesses for economic development, as well as the big businesses/developers.
- 8. Codification Committee (Vince Corrie, Chair) No Report
- 9. Parks and Recreation Committee (Joseph Mixter, Chair) No Report

Business Meeting Adjourned