

Borough of McKees Rocks
Public Meeting
February 13, 2024

7:00 PM Public Meeting

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call:

Present: President Archie Brinza, Vice-President Joe Mixter, Councilman Craig Myers, Councilwoman Barbara Vojtecky, Councilman Ralph Gallagher, Councilwoman Maryann Holland, Councilwoman Michele Arlott, Councilman Vince Corrie

Absent: Councilman John Malesnick

Also present for this meeting were Mayor David Flick, Borough Manager LeeAnn Wozniak and Assistant Borough Manager Jennifer Slavicek, Controller William Beck, Assistant Solicitor Michelle Gannon of Weiss Burkhardt Kramer, LLC, and Borough Engineer Mr. Matt Kneidel, of NIRA Consulting Engineers, Inc.

Agenda Comments/Changes:

A motion was made by Councilman Corrie and second by Councilwoman Arlott to amend the agenda to repeal section 3.5 c in the Civil Service Rules and Regulations. Motion was adopted by acclamation.

Guest Speaker

1. McKees Rocks Community Development Cooperation – Monthly Activity Report- Informed Council and residents that the Choice Neighborhood Meetings are monthly, anyone is invited to attend. Spoke about the vacant property task force.
2. Mr. Cameron Culliver/ Sto-Rox Little Vikings- Asked Council is they are permitted to use Rangers Monday through Thursday from 6pm-8pm: March 2024 through December 2024. A motion was made by Vice- President Mixter and second by Councilwoman Arlott to approve Sto-Rox Little Vikings permission to use Rangers Field during their practice season. Motion was adopted by acclamation.
3. Ms. Nancy Rees/ MRB Women’s Alliance- Informed Council of a few Community Events. April 6th from 2pm-6pm for an April Fools Event with potential food and vendors, April 13th for a Spaghetti Dinner, May 18th from 1-5pm for a Kickball Community Day.

Reports:

- Borough Engineer – The monthly capsule report was presented by Borough Engineer on 2/06/2024 during caucus meeting.

Action Items:

- a.) A motion was made by Councilman Corrie and second by Councilwoman Arlott to accept GEMM Demolition as apparent low bidder for the Demolition Project: 1009 Third Street in the amount of \$22,700.00, which is reimbursable through grant funds. Motion was adopted by acclamation.
- b.) A motion was made by Councilwoman Arlott and second by Councilwoman Holland to authorize Borough Engineer to bid out Demolition Project Page Street. Motion was adopted by acclamation.

- c.) A motion was made by Vice-President Mixer and second by Councilwoman Arlott to authorize Borough Engineer to submit Letter of Interest to ALCOSAN for Cycle 9 Grants of Growing Greener. Motion was adopted by acclamation.
- d.) A motion was made by Councilman Corrie and second by Councilwoman Holland to authorize Borough Engineer to design and bid out 2024 Road Paving Program. Motion was adopted by acclamation.

New Business:

- e.) A motion was made by Vice-President Mixer and second by Councilman Corrie West Carson Street Project, PH 3, Pay App 5 – Amount Due \$70,510.50. Motion was adopted by acclamation.

- McKees Rocks Police Department – Chief Deliman provided a written monthly activity report for January 2024. A copy is on file at the Borough Manager office.
- McKees Rocks Code Enforcement Officer – Mr. Bobby Thompson provided a written monthly Code Enforcement/BCO Activity Report for January 2024. A copy is on file at the Borough Manager office.
- Volunteer Fire Department – Mr. Michael Stepek, Sr – Chief of Independent Hose Co # 5 (Presston) provided a monthly VFD report for January 2024. A copy is on file at the Borough Manager office.
- Mayors Report: - Welcomed and thanked the residents for coming. Spoke about the new WM Contract, you can only use the WM cans and please do not put garbage out until Wednesday night at 6pm. Please bag your trash and leave your recyclables loose. Help the elderly, neighbors helping each other in the Borough. Thanked Bobby for his hard work, takes about 40 minutes per inspection. Keep up the good work Bobby!

- Borough Solicitor:

- a) A motion was made by Vice-President Mixer and second by Councilwoman Arlott to approve Borough Ordinance No. 1781 Prohibiting parking of non-passenger commercial vehicles on residential streets. Motion was adopted by acclamation.
- b) A motion was made by Councilman Corrie and second by Vice-President Mixer to approve ACTION Housing, Inc Consent Order. Councilman Myers opposed. Roll call requested, resulting in 6 YES (Corrie, Arlott, Brinza, Mixer, Gallagher, and Vojtecky), 2 NO (Holland and Myers) Opposed. Motion was adopted by acclamation.
- c) A motion was made by Councilman Corrie and second by Councilwoman Holland to approve the Mutual Settlement Agreement between MRB, McKees Rocks IVFD, and Stowe Township VFD. Motion was adopted by acclamation.
- d) Community Benefits Agreement – CHOICE Neighborhood UPDATE

- Borough Manager:

A motion was made by Councilwoman Arlott and second by Councilman Corrie to authorize Borough Administration/Office to move forward in bringing current garbage billing in-house, effective date April 1, 2024. Motion was adopted by acclamation.

Reading of the Minutes: A motion was made by Councilman Corrie and second by Councilwoman Holland to approve Voting Meeting Minutes for January 2, 2024, and January 9, 2024. Motion adopted by acclamation.

Controllers Report:

GENERAL FUND: Income and Expenses have an annual budget of \$5,067,800.
As of January 31, Income was \$178,310.97 or 3.5 % of the budgeted Income.
Expenses were \$443,696.69 or 8.8% of the budgeted Expenses.
Balance in the General Fund as of January 31, 2024, \$563,419.05.

SEWER FUND: Income and Expenses have an annual budget of \$2,299,500.
As of January 31, Income was \$174,846.93 or 7.6% of the budgeted Income.
Expenses were \$11,747,51 or 1/2% of the budgeted Expenses.
Balance in the Sewer Fund as of January 31, 2024, \$1,233,336.50.

CSX ACCOUNT: \$645,882.38 (This amount included \$400K in a CD)

LIQUID FUELS: \$7,552.90.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Arlott and second by Vice-President Mixter to accept the Controllers report for January 31, 2024. Motion was adopted by acclamation.

Bills: A motion was made by Councilman Corrie and second by Councilwoman Arlott to pay the bills. Motion was adopted by acclamation.

Agenda Voting:

1. Public Safety Committee (Chair – Archie Brinza):

- a. A motion was made by Councilman Corrie and second by Vice-President Mixter to accept the changes to the Civil Service Rules and Regulations regarding Section 3.5 (b) – Qualifications of candidates – Allowing candidates who are currently enrolled in police training/education to apply for open positions. Motion was adopted by acclamation.
- b. A motion was made by Councilwoman Holland and second by Councilwoman Arlott to repeal section 3.5 c in the Civil Service Rules and Regulations. Motion was adopted by acclamation.

2. Finance and Administration Committee (Ralph Gallagher)

- To cut down on spending- spend on emergencies.

3. Real Estate Committee (Archie Brinza, Chair) –

A motion was made by Councilman Myers and second by Councilman Corrie to consider acceptance

of property donation 72-H-187 via Borough Resolution. Motion was adopted by acclamation.

4. **Public Works Committee (Archie Brinza, Chair)** – No Report
5. **Borough Association (Craig Myers, Chair)** – No Report
6. **Char-West COG (Joseph Mixter, Chair)** – Spoke about reassessment.
7. **Borough Development (Craig Myers, Chair)** – Brought up the idea of McKees Rocks Borough and Stowe Township to create a landbank.
8. **Codification Committee (Vince Corrie, Chair)** – No Report
9. **Parks and Recreation Committee (Joseph Mixter, Chair)** – Spoke about the swings and basketball hoop at Harriet St. Park.

Business Meeting Adjourned