

Borough of McKees Rocks  
Public Meeting  
March 12, 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, 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:**

None

**Guest Speaker**

1. McKees Rocks Community Development Cooperation – Monthly Activity Report- Informed Council that there is an open council seat of the CDC Board of Directors. Spoke about the Streetscape Project- Michael Baker- surveying traffic studies. Informed Council that the collapsed bank building has a general liability policy.
2. Focus on Renewal – Juneteenth Community Event – Motion to consider approval of Furnace Street closure as presented- Tameka Hoffman, Kesha Silver. A motion was made by Councilwoman Arlott and second by Vice-President Mixter to approve Furnace Street closure for the FOR Juneteenth Community Event. Motion was adopted by acclamation.
3. Ms. Kim Smith – parking concerns on Jane Street/police ticketing- Not present
4. Mr. Mike Vatimo- Question regarding- Hays Manor Demolition
5. Mr. Bob Coward- Question – Can plastic be recycled? Thought he saw a “new law” on TV regarding no recycling plastic.

**Reports:**

- Borough Engineer – The monthly capsule report was presented by Borough Engineer on 03/05/2024 during caucus meeting.

**Action Items:**

1. A Motion was made by Councilman Myers and second by Councilwoman Holland to approve pay application for Siegal Excavating LLC in the amount of \$53,500.00 for demolition of 768 Frederick and 331 Broadway, which reimbursable through grant funds. Motion was adopted by acclamation.
2. A Motion was made by Councilwoman Arlott and second by Vice-President Mixter to award demolition contact bid to Sipes Demolition, in the amount of \$13,800.00 for Page Street demolition, which is reimbursable through grant funds. Motion was adopted by acclamation.

New Business:

3. A Motion was made by Councilwoman Holland and second by Councilman Myers to approve payment to CTM Construction. West Carson Street Project, PH 3, Pay App 6 – Amount Due \$188,931.15 – Motion was adopted by acclamation.
4. A Motion was made by Councilman Corrie and second by Councilwoman Arlott to authorize Borough Engineer to design and bid out the 2024 Catch Basin Replacement Project (quantity 11), payable by sewer account funds. Motion was adopted by acclamation.
5. A Motion was made by Councilwoman Arlott and second by President Brinza to award WreckCrew Demolition for the Char-West COG Demolition Bid 400/402 Woodward and 346 Broadway Ave. Motion was adopted by acclamation.

● McKees Rocks Police Department – Chief Deliman provided a written monthly activity report for February 2024. A copy is on file at the Borough Manager office. Chief Deliman also discussed Gun violence and gave Bridge Closure update.

● McKees Rocks Code Enforcement Officer – Mr. Bobby Thompson provided a written monthly Code Enforcement/BCO Activity Report for February 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 February 2024. A copy is on file at the Borough Manager office.

● Mayors Report: - Welcomed and thanked the residents for coming. A comment was made towards Council to think about rescinding their vote regarding CHOICE Neighborhood Community Benefits Agreement. Reminded residents about the K-9 Rigatoni Dinner the day before Mother’s Day at the VFW. Recognized a family friend passing.

● Borough Solicitor:

A motion was made by Vice-President Mixter and second by Councilwoman Holland to rescind Council vote approving the CHOICE Neighborhood Community Benefits Agreement. Motion was adopted by acclamation.

● Borough Manager:

1. A Motion was made by Councilwoman Holland and second by Councilwoman Arlott to waive all event and vendor fees (but will apply and pay for vending permits) relating to the McKees Rocks Women’s Alliance/Historical Soc/Event Committee April Fools Day Parade/Event April 6, 2024. Motion was adopted by acclamation.
2. A Motion was made by Councilman Corrie and second by Councilwoman Arlott to waive all rental fees relating to the McKees Rocks CDC Ambassadors Community Event at 3<sup>rd</sup> Street Park on May 18, 2024. Motion was adopted by acclamation.
3. A Motion was made by Councilwoman Holland and second by Councilman Corrie to consider approval Handicap Parking Application 922 Robinson Street. Motion was adopted by acclamation.

**Reading of the Minutes:** A motion was made by Councilwoman Arlott and second by Councilwoman Holland to approve Voting Meeting Minutes for February 13, 2024. Motion adopted by acclamation.

**Controllers Report:**

GENERAL FUND: Income and Expenses have an annual budget of \$5,067,800.  
As of February 29, Income was \$528,217.49 or 10.4% of the budgeted Income.  
Expenses were \$334,111.03 or 6.6% of the budgeted Expenses.  
Balance in the General Fund as of February 29, 2024, was \$1,042,680.72.

SEWER FUND: Income and Expenses have an annual budget of \$2,299,500.  
As of February 29, Income was \$226,185.53 or 9.8% of the budgeted Income.  
Expenses were \$411,867.95 or 17.9% of the budgeted Expenses.  
Balance in the Sewer Fund as of February 29, 2024, was \$884,554.67.

CSX ACCOUNT: \$646,351.24

LIQUID FUELS: \$7,567.30. (Footnote 2024 Allocation \$166K --> CD 7 Months at 5%)

A motion was made by Councilwoman Arlott and second by Councilman Myers to accept the Controllers report for February 29, 2024. Motion was adopted by acclamation.

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

**Agenda Voting:**

1. **Public Safety Committee (Chair – Archie Brinza, Chair):** No Report
2. **Finance and Administration Committee (Ralph Gallagher, Chair)**  
New Business: **Zoning Board Member Resignation**
  - A Motion was made by Councilman Myers and second by Councilwoman Arlott to accept resignation of Ms. Julia Palmer, as Zoning Board Member effective 2/26/24.**Appointment of New Member**  
Letters of Interest – forms are available at The Borough Office.
3. **Real Estate Committee (Archie Brinza, Chair) –** No Report
4. **Public Works Committee (Archie Brinza, Chair) –** No Report
5. **Borough Association (Craig Myers, Chair) –** No Report

6. **Char-West COG (Joseph Mixter, Chair)** – New Char-West COG chair- Maryann Holland/ Joe Mixter stepped back.
7. **Borough Development (Maryann Holland, Chair)** – Councilman Myers spoke with Ms. An Lewis regarding having a Meeting with Stowe about inquiring sharing a Landbank.
8. **Codification Committee (Vince Corrie, Chair)** – Waiting on General Code -response.
9. **Parks and Recreation Committee (Joseph Mixter, Chair)** – Spoke about the swings and basketball hoop at Harriet St. Park.

**New Business:** President Brinza

1. Emergency Demolition for 813 ½ O'Donovan- \$14K- “not budgeted.”
2. Council to receive letter from ALCOSAN.

**Business Meeting Adjourned**