

The Borough of McKees Rocks

Caucus Meeting Agenda

January 14, 2019

**** Items highlighted RED indicates attachments/docs for review****

Guest Speaker:

- Ms. Cynthia Haines – Focus on Renewal Kaboom Grant Presentation

Agenda:

1. **Borough Engineer Monthly Capsule Report** - Presenter: Douglas Evans
2. **Code Enforcement Officer Monthly Report** – Presenter: Thomas McAllister
3. **Building Code Official Monthly Report** – Presenter: John Stahl
4. **Gaming License Ordinance 1706 (Add due date)** – Presenter: Ruth A. Pompey
5. **2019 Sewer Budget** – Presenter: Ruth A. Pompey
6. **Resolution for GEDF Grant Phase II Pedestrian Stairway Project** – Presenter: Weiss Burkhardt & Kramer, LLC
7. **Resolution for TAN Loan with FNB** – Presenter: Weiss Burkhardt & Kramer, LLC
8. Cohen & Grigsby Contract – Presenter: Paul Krisby
9. Bid Responses to Request for Proposals (RFP) Garbage and Recycling (sent to Council via EMAIL)– Presenter: Ruth A. Pompey
10. PaloALTO Partners (sent to Council via EMAIL)– Presenter: Shallegra Moye
11. Borough Phone System Proposals (received at Dec. 2018 meeting)– Presenter: Ruth A. Pompey

**Borough of McKees Rocks
Capsule Engineer's Report
January, 2019**

1. Construction has proceeded on Sefler Street stairs. Contractor (A. Merante Contracting, Inc.) has completed stairs, wall blocks, and grading. The railings, runnels, and repair of sidewalk and Bouquet Street remains. We have approved A. Merante Contracting, Inc. invoice of \$98,703.00 which is Progress Payment No. 1.
2. Paul, Ruth and I have met with Alcosan representatives regarding funding for Catherine street storm inlet removal project. The PA Small Water Grant will cover both the replacement of sewer within Gardner Street and the relocation of stormwater from five (5) inlets. Alcosan will only fund the latter. Therefore, we are studying the feasibility of replacing the 12" diameter sanitary sewer within Gardner Street based on limited space and the presence of water and gas lines. Alcosan will require Geotechnical Report of soils at proposed infiltration site to be completed before this June. Engineer requests authorization to have Geotechnical Engineer complete infiltration study.
3. As learned through Speedway Engineer, Speedway is seriously evaluating the reconstruction of lower Churchill Street. We have placed existing utility companies which occupy lower Chuchill Street on notice, to provide them the opportunity to replace existing utility lines.
4. All comments regarding Zoning, SALDO, and stormwater have been addressed by the Developer's Engineer for the "Rocks Intermodal Way Building #1." Our letter has requested.
 - a. NPDES/E & S Approvals
 - b. Developers Agreement
 - c. Building Permit Application
 - d. Stormwater Maintenance Agreement
 - e. Easement Agreement for Bike Trail
5. We received Payment Request No. 1 for \$14,602.50 from U&S Construction for the Chartiers Avenue Curb Ramp Upgrades, for which we recommend Board Approval for Char-West COG to process for payment. We also submitted a letter to U&S Construction, to see if they needed to extend the Contract for the remaining portion of this work.
6. We submitted a Tap Allocation Request (January 1, 2019 – July 1, 2019) to PA DEP. Response from DEP was received which approves the Corrective Action Plan (CAP) through June 30, 2019.
7. We have approved Insight Pipe Contracting, LLC Invoice of \$17,607.00 for internal sewer lining of 15" diameter concrete pipe within Gertrude Alley.
8. The design of the Phase 2 Stair Replacement project (Fourth Street Stairs) has proceeded through Preliminary Engineering. The project will not be advertised for bidding until Phase 1 grant is processed.
9. We received payment Request No. 3 (Final) for \$2,380.50 from Insight Pipe Contracting, LLC for the 2018 Sewer Cleaning and Televising project and recommend

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Capsule Engineer's Report
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payment. We have reviewed the video reports provided by Insight and are compiling a list of pipe defects. We are also preparing letters to certain homeowners to notify them that roots were noted within their lateral.

Sincerely,

NIRA Consulting Engineers, Inc.

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Douglas J. Evans, P.E.



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Tom McAllister
Code Enforcement
Officer

Code Enforcement Report December 2018

Violations:

- (16) Violations for the month of December, those include Condemnation, Debris, and Trash.
- Three Strike Disruptive Conduct notices sent out for violations of the Rental Ordinance.

Legal Actions:

- (1) Case was heard in front of the local Magistrate, Honorable Judge Bruce Boni.
 - **Case granted in favor of the Borough with a fine of \$200 Plus Cost.**

Rental 2019:

- All 2019 Residential Rental Applications have been sent out to owners.
- (34) Rental Applications have been reviewed.
 - **(27) Approved by Code Enforcement**
 - **(7) Denied due to unpaid Sewage owed on property.**
- (36) New Applications pending review, (finalized in the coming week)
- (7) Denial letters mailed out for unpaid Sewage on properties.

Miscellaneous:

- Attended safety meetings.
- Currently working on outlining new Rental Ordinance procedures- Paperwork, spreadsheets, and organizing properties into the breakdown modeled in the new ordinance.
(Update: First wave of Applications running smoothly, all communications with staff working together via email to update spreadsheets created by Code Enforcement to handle large volume of Rental Applications, Denials, Delinquent Taxes and Sewage.
(Update: Letter received from Solicitor)
- Reviewed over 110 properties that owe back taxes, preparing files, tax certs, and denial letters, for the enforcement of Act 90 in the New Rental Ordinance, effective January 1.

Tom McAllister
Code Enforcement Officer
Borough of McKees Rocks



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John D. Stahl
Building Official

MONTHLY REPORT FOR COUNCIL

DECEMBER 2018

1. 1 Building Permit Application
2. 4 Zoning Permits Issued
3. 3 Rental Permits Issued
4. 3 Code Enforcement Notices of Violation Sent
5. 3 Court cases heard/4 hours total
6. 3 New court cases filed
7. 1 Meeting with McKees Rocks Partners LLC/2 hours total
8. 2 Final inspections for Occupancy Permits
9. Over 15 hours for review of the new zoning proposals submitted

UPDATE ON CURRENT EVENTS FOR COUNCIL

New Businesses and Progress: The work for Phase I at the old Shovel Warehouse located on Chambers Street is complete. The new chocolate distributor located at 600 Chartiers Avenue passed final inspection and is now open for business. Bella Equity Group has purchased 3 more vacant lots on Woodward Avenue. Demolition at 708 Chartiers Avenue is complete. Demolition at 2 Helen Street (Rear) is complete. Lane Steel is in the plan review process for the construction of 3 new buildings to be located at their River Road property. Roxian Theater project "to be discussed at Caucus Meeting".

SINCERELY,

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JOHN D. STAHL
BUILDING CODE OFFICIAL
BOROUGH OF MCKEES ROCKS

ORDINANCE NO. 1706

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF McKEES ROCKS,
ALLEGHENY COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, INCREASING THE
LICENSE FEE FOR VIDEO, ELECTRONIC OR MECHANICAL
AMUSEMENT DEVICES AND PINBALL MACHINES TO
SIX HUNDRED FIFTY (\$650.00) DOLLARS.

BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the Borough Council of the
Borough of McKees Rocks in regular meeting assembled, a it is
hereby ordained and enacted by and with the authority of the same
as follows:

SECTION 1: Section 6 of Ordinance 1409 as amended by
Ordinances 1481, 1527, 1535 and 1579 is amended to read as follows:

SECTION 6: Following the waiting period of
Section 4 of Ordinances 1409 and
1481, owners of video, electronic
or mechanical amusement devices
and music boxes will pay a yearly
license fee for each machine as
follows:

A. \$650.00 for video, electronic
or mechanical amusement devices and
pinball machines.

B. \$175.00 for pool tables, dart
boards, bowling machines, music boxes
and the like.

Upon receipt of payment for each machine, the Borough Secretary
shall issue a license to each applicant. Such license shall be
valid for the entire calendar year for which it is issued and shall
expire following the last day of such calendar year. However,
should any such device or box be installed after July first of any
year and application therefore be made after such date, then in
such event the license for the particular year shall be one half
(1/2) of the regular license fee.


SECTION 2: Any Ordinance or parts of Ordinances conflicting


with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

ORDAINED AND ENACTED INTO LAW, this 8TH day of JANUARY, 2013.


ATTEST:

BOROUGH OF McKEES ROCKS


Tricia Levander,
Secretary


Keith Schwab,
President of Council

EXAMINED AND APPROVED by me this 8TH day of JANUARY, 2013.


John r. Muhr, Mayor

Borough of McKees Rocks
Preliminary 2019 Sewer Fund Budget

	<u>2019</u>
	<u>Budget</u>
Income	
341.000 · Interest Income	4,500
342.000 · Alcosan Reimbursement	7,000
364.000 · Sewage Payments	1,762,496
380.000 · Miscellaneous Sewage Income	-
399.000 · Refund of Prior Yr Expenditures	-
Total Income	1,773,996
Expense	
401.341 · Sewer Advertising Media	1,300
429.100 · Contracted Services & Fees	100,000
429.200 · Sewer System Maintenance Expens	40,000
429.300 · Pump Station Expenses	-
440.000 · NPDES Permit (CSO) Maintenance	15,400
471.100 · Bond Principal Payments	100,000
471.200 · Bond Interest Payments	128,000
480.000 · Sewer Billing	27,000
481.000 · ALCOSAN Lump Sum Billing	1,292,296
492.000 · Transfer to GF - Labor Sewer	70,000
494.000 · Misc. Bond Issues Expense	-
499.000 · Refund of Prior Year Receipts	-
66000 · Payroll Expenses	-
69800 · Uncategorized Expenses	-
Total Expense	1,773,996
Net Income	-