

***WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES
MILLVALE BOROUGH COUNCIL
Council Chambers, 501 Lincoln Avenue
Tuesday, October 4, 2016***

Workshop Meeting Convened

The Millvale Borough Council Workshop was called to order at 6:00pm by Council President James Machajewski.

Roll Call

Council Members: Al Atkinson, Jason Miller, Brian Spoales, William Stout, Jack Varley, Brian Wolovich, James Machajewski.

Also in attendance: Deputy Chief Komoroski, Mayor Cinski, Solicitor Krisha Macklun, Code Enforcement Officer James Tunstall Sr, Engineer Phil Strunk, Director of Administrative Services Ed Figas, Manager Amy Rockwell.

Community Development

Discussion was held regarding the proposed hotel development. Geotech work started today and the project is moving forward. There is now a Facebook page dedicated to the development call The Millvale Hotel Project. Taza D'oro is working to finalize their loan and require an additional 3-4 weeks buildout.

Borough Engineer

Mr. Strunk of Gateway Engineers reported on September's engineering activities. The borough continues its work on MS4 compliance and completed an inspection on August 25. We are still awaiting the official report from the DEP audit. The ADA project for the community center received no bids, we will rebid in the spring. PWSA continues its work on Spring Street. The Bridge inspection RFP is being finalized for advertisement. Discussion was held regarding the engineering status of the MCC roof access.

Police Report

Deputy Chief Komoroski discussed the need for intoxilizer training and followed up on the camera discussion with the District Attorney's office.

Planning Commission

Mr. Stout requested a follow up to the five page memorandum submitted in September. A memo dated October 4, 2016 was submitted to Council regarding the request for deferments.

Items from Council Members

Mr. Spoales discussed the proposed music festival in Millvale spearheaded by Brain Crawford. The idea is to divide the town into zones and have performances in one zone at a time. Updates will be provided as they are available. The proposed date is May 13th and they are looking for sponsorships.

Mr. Stout inquired about the billboard proposal that had been submitted. Mr. Stout also provided an update on Millvale history for the website.

Mr. Wolovich discussed the status of the rooftop access for the MCC.

Old Business

Discussion was held regarding the request for tax exoneration for 523 Mary Street.

New Business

Discussion was held regarding the need to establish a separate Revolving Loan fund for the River Towns Revolving Loan. These funds are being transferred from the Allegheny River Towns Enterprise Zone and must remain separate and available to the original seven enterprise zone participants. Those communities are Blawnox, Aspinwall, O'Hara, Sharpsburg, Etna, Shaler and Millvale. The original loan was funded by the New Communities Grant Program through the Department of Community and Economic Development.

Discussion was held regarding Millvale Days for 2017. The days were determined to be September 14, 15 and 16.

Discussion was held regarding Trick-or-Treat times, which are to be 5:30-8:00.

Discussion was held regarding the senior Christmas luncheon. The BAM Yuletide Tour will be on December 3, 2016 and the senior lunch will be December 4, 2016.

Discussion was held regarding the request from Shaler Area School District to use the Millvale Riverfront Park for the Titan Trail Days May 22-24, 2017 and request a waiver of the fees.

Discussion was held regarding the Allegheny County Vacant Property Recovery Program for the parcels 118-P-85 (vacant lot on Lippert Street) and 118-P-87 (118 Lippert Street).
Discussion was held regarding various building requests asking for fee waivers.
Discussion was held regarding the draft 2017 budget. Discussion was held regarding grant match requirements and budgeting. Discussion was held regarding vehicles requested by the police and public works.
Discussion was held regarding Act 90 and the required steps needed to enact.

Comments From the Public

Executive session

None

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 pm.

James Machajewski, Jr., President

Amy S. Rockwell, Borough Manager