

**Minutes of the
MILLVALE BOROUGH COUNCIL
Tuesday, October 12, 2021 - COVID 19 EMERGENCY DECLARATION DRAFT
Millvale Community Center – 416 Lincoln Ave**

Council Workshop was called to order at 6:00pm.

Discussion was held regarding Review of Act 15, Sunshine Act guidelines for a remote meeting.
Allegheny County may go back to holding weekly remote meetings regarding COVID-19 concerns.
Discussion was held regarding COVID-19 general updates.
Discussion was held regarding Motion, Ordinance and Resolution reviews.
Discussion was held regarding various resolutions to be voted on at tonight's meeting.
Discussion was held regarding issues from residents of Bauerlein with Peoples Gas and their utility work.
Discussion was held regarding vandalism at the Natural Playspace. It was handled by the School Resource Officer (Officer Brennan Jackson). Actors were ID'd by Officer Jackson and Officer Harpur.

President Machajewski then announced to council that former borough manager Amy Rockwell's father had passed away.

Motion by Mr. Machajewski, second by Mr. Atkinson, to add motion to vote on a memorial for former manager Amy Rockwell's father, not to exceed \$100.00. Motion carried 4-0.

The regular meeting of the Millvale Borough Council was called to order at 6:30pm.

Council President Machajewski noted that the meeting was being recorded.
Everyone stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

Members Present:

Brian Spoales, Mayor
Jim Machajewski, Council President
Al Atkinson, Vice-President
Paul Bossung (6:23pm)
Katie Dembowski – absent
Patty Harpur
William G. Stout
Jack Varley - absent

Also Present:

Eddie Figas, Borough Manager
Solicitor Dalfonso
Millvale Police Officer Jennifer Harpur
Michele Revay, Office Admin

Meeting Minutes

Motion by Mrs. Harpur, second by Mr. Atkinson, to approve the minutes, as amended, of the Workshop meeting, held on Tuesday, September 7, 2021 and the Regular Council meeting held on Tuesday, September 14, 2021. Motion carried 5-0.

NEW BUSINESS

Motions

Motion by Mr. Stout, second by Mr. Bossung, authorizing the filing of a full application for CDBG Year 48 funds with the Allegheny County Department of Economic Development. Motion carried 5-0.
Motion by Mr. Atkinson, second by Mr. Bossung, accepting a low bid of \$36,319.00 from Palmieri Construction for CDBG Year 47 ADA Ramp Funding and notifying NHCOC. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Mrs. Harpur, second by Mr. Stout, to purchase a table of tickets for Amen Corner Luncheon at \$350.00. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Mr. Stout, second by Mr. Machajewski, to notify all individuals who have expiring terms on a Borough Agency, Board, Commission or Committee. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Mrs. Harpur, second by Mr. Atkinson, to acknowledge Pete Ramage of Etna Council for 52 years of public service through proclamation and plaque. Cost of place not to exceed \$75.00. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Mrs. Harpur, second by Mr. Machajewski, to purchase flowers for former borough manager Rockwell's father in memorium, not to exceed \$100.00. Motion carried 5-0.

Resolutions and Ordinances

Motion by Mr. Stout, second by Mrs. Harpur, to Approve Resolution 2805, Extending the Emergency Declaration for COVID-19 30 days. Motion carried 5-0.

Monthly Finance Reports: September 2021

Council President Machajewski read the financial report into the record.

Real Estate Tax Collections – \$752,059.92
Delinquent Real Estate - \$16,126.29
Real Estate Transfer - \$60,682.33
Wage Tax Collections - \$183,799.41
Delinquent Wage Tax - \$51,760.65
Mechanical Devices - \$6,659.70
Mercantile - \$32,394.41
Business Privilege - \$40,163.93
LST - \$23,402.23
Court Fines – \$31,983.68
Permit Fees - \$79,923.00
Parking Meter - \$7,874.02

Motion by Mrs. Harpur, second by Mr. Bossung, to approve the monthly finance report for September 2021. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Mr. Stout, second by Mr. Bossung, to approve the financial transactions for September 2021 in the amount of \$248,089.31. Motion carried 5-0.

Reports - The following reports were submitted to Council:

Code, Engineering, PW and Zoning were submitted to council for record.

Sustainability Report submitted to record. Discussed Gardens of Millvale fundraising, Millvale Free Fridge, planting of paw paw trees in Girty's Woods and Farmers to Families program continuing. Discussed street trees – backed by the Western PA Conservancy. Discussed mobility – new signage to go up. Bike Rally to return in 2022. Discussed air quality.

Council President Machajewski – Happy Halloween! Trick or Treat will be Sunday, October 31 from 5:30pm-8:00pm. There will also be activities at GAP Park.

Mayor Spoales – There is a grant from the TriBoro for 10K available. Potentially to do ADA Ramps from Lincoln to North Avenues. There is also another phase of Farmers to Families – starting in November going through February – food boxes 2 times a month.

Public Comment

Debbie Blakely – 714 Stanton – Discussed issues with vandalism at 726 and 728 Stanton Avenue. Discussed with Manager Eddie Figas previously – asking for help.

“Pap” – 709 Stanton Ave. Regarding property issues. Manager Figas responded that the letter that was sent from the Borough will be disregarded. Code Officer Karl Cavanaugh will explain the situation.

Ron – 635 Evergreen Ave. – Asking Mayor and Chief of police for their assistance to stop harassment from a neighbor. This has been going on for 3 months.

Adjournment

The public meeting adjourned at 7:00 pm.

James Machajewski, Jr., President

Eddie Figas, Borough Manager