

**Minutes of the
MILLVALE BOROUGH COUNCIL
Tuesday, June 13, 2023
Millvale Borough Building – 501 Lincoln Avenue**

Council Workshop was called to order at 6:01 PM

Discussion was held regarding Motion, Ordinance and Resolution reviews.

Discussion was held regarding updates concerning Logan Street, request from Reserve Township for Borough participation.

Discussion was held regarding MCDC requesting for a Letter of Support if funding is available for the proposed playground project between Meade Alley and Evergreen Avenue.

Discussion was held regarding PWSA working on water lines – scheduled to begin at the end of July.

Discussion was held regarding bridges. Bridge Design contract was submitted, approved by PennDOT.

Discussion was held regarding rodent issues on the 500 block of North Avenue. Will follow up with the Health Department.

MOTIONS

Approve RFP for PennDOT Engineering Services.

Approve ECMS agreement with PennDOT to provide design services.

Approve submission of ACT 152 Grant for demolition of 523 Spruce, 1137, and 1133 Evergreen, 728 Stanton, 125 Frederick.

Approve collaboration with Millvale VFD for ACT 104 Grant. (Fire Department Roof)

Approve purchase of used van for Public Works not to exceed \$5,000.

Allow Civil Service Commission and Borough Manager to review and offer updates to Civil Service Regulations.

Approve advertisement for Fire Inspection Ordinance.

Approve Articles of Agreement between the Borough of Millvale and Morton Salt from 09/01/2023-08/31/2024 with 2 extension options. NTE \$81.77 per ton.

Resolution No. 2908, Disposition of 118 L 36 through VPRP.

Resolution No. 2909, identifying vacant and dilapidated structures for demolition.

Concurring Resolution No. 2910, authorizing the filing of an application requesting \$ in Act 152 funds from Allegheny County Economic Development for the demolition of blighted buildings.

Resolution No. 2911, recognizing the New Sun Rising as a civic and service association under the local options small games of chance act.

Ordinance No. 2819, updating and amending Zoning Ordinance Part II, Chapter 312 Zoning, Article II Form and Function, Section 312-9 Zoning districts and Land uses, Table 1.1 Principal Land Use Table and Article III Conditional Uses, Section 312-16 Standards for Specific Uses. The purpose of the amendments is to update Land Use Types and requirements for Specific Use permits and Conditional use permits.

The regular meeting of the Millvale Borough Council was called to order at 6:10pm.

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
Katie Dembowski – arrived 6:03 pm
Tyler Halt
Denise Rudar
William G. Stout

Also Present:

Eddie Figas, Borough Manager
Solicitor Cambest
Chief Komoroski
Michele Revay – OSMA
Zoning & Planning Director Aaron Flook
Code Officer Karl Cavanaugh
Code Officer Jim Tunstall

Mayor Spoales then proceeded with the appointment and swearing in of Millvale Police Officer Jessica Brenning and Millvale Police Officer Paris Johnson as full time police officers.

Public Review

A public hearing is being held by The Borough of Millvale Council to consider an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance Part II, Chapter 312 Zoning, Article II Form and Function, Section 312-9 Zoning districts and Land uses, Table 1.1 Principal Land Use Table and Article III Conditional Uses, Section 312-16 Standards for Specific Uses. The purpose of the amendments is to update Land Use Types and requirements for Specific Use permits and Conditional use permits.

Motion to close public review by Mr. Atkinson, second by Mr. Bossung. Motion carried 7-0.

Meeting Minutes

Motion by Mrs. Halt, second by Mrs. Dembowski, to approve the minutes, as amended, of the Workshop meeting, held on Tuesday, May 2, 2023 and the Regular Council meeting held on Tuesday, May 9, 2023. Motion carried 6-0, with one Abstain.

NEW BUSINESS

Motions

Motion by Mr. Atkinson, second by Mrs. Dembowski, to Approve RFP for PennDOT Engineering Services. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Mr. Stout, second by Mrs. Rudar, to Approve ECMS agreement with PennDOT to provide design services. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Mrs. Dembowski, second by Mrs. Halt, to Approve submission of ACT 152 Grant for demolition of 523 Spruce, 1137, and 1133 Evergreen, 728 Stanton, 125 Frederick. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Mrs. Rudar, second by Mrs. Halt, to Approve collaboration with Millvale VFD for ACT 104 Grant. (Fire Department Roof). Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Mr. Atkinson, second by Mr. Bossung, to Approve purchase of used van for Public Works not to exceed \$5,000. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Mrs. Rudar, second by Mrs. Dembowski, to Allow Civil Service Commission and Borough Manager to review and offer updates to Civil Service Regulations. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Mrs. Halt, second by Mrs. Rudar, to Approve advertisement for Fire Inspection Ordinance. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Mr. Stout, second by Mr. Atkinson, to Approve Articles of Agreement between the Borough of Millvale and Morton Salt from 09/01/2023-08/31/2024 with 2 extension options. NTE \$81.77 per ton. Motion carried 7-0.

Resolutions and Ordinances

Motion by Mrs. Rudar, second by Mr. Atkinson, to Approve Resolution No. 2908, Disposition of 118 L 36 through VPRP. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Mrs. Dembowski, second by Mr. Bossung, to Approve Resolution No. 2909, identifying vacant and dilapidated structures for demolition. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Mr. Atkinson, second by Mr. Bossung, to Approve Concurring Resolution No. 2910, authorizing the filing of an application requesting \$ in Act 152 funds from Allegheny County Economic Development for the demolition of blighted buildings. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Mrs. Halt, second by Mrs. Dembowski, to Approve Resolution No. 2911, recognizing the New Sun Rising as a civic and service association under the local options small games of chance act. Motion carried 7-0.

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Monthly Finance Reports: May 2023

Council President Machajewski read the financial report into the record.

Real Estate Tax Collections – \$34,224.04
Delinquent Real Estate - \$53,475.09
Real Estate Transfer - \$23,661.77
Wage Tax Collections - \$42,135.62
Delinquent Wage Tax - \$103,300.00
Mechanical Devices - \$15,858.76
Mercantile - \$31,972.59
Business Privilege - \$32,286.08
LST - \$21,286.51
Court Fines – \$14,847.10
Permit Fees - \$27,910.00
Parking Meter - \$0

Motion by Mrs. Rudar, second by Mrs. Halt, to approve the monthly finance report for May 2023. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Mr. Atkinson, second by Mrs. Rudar, to approve the financial transactions for May 2023 in the amount of \$260,038.06. Motion carried 7-0.

Reports - The following reports were submitted to Council:

Code, Engineering, Police, Library, Sustainability, Social Workers, Junior Council, Utilities, GRISA, PW and Zoning were submitted to council for record.

Mayor Spoales: 1. Saturday, June 17, 2023 – Open Doors Millvale; 12pm – 4pm. Borough offices, Fire Dept, Police Dept and MCC all open for touring.

2. Vitalant Blood Drive – 7/14/2023 – MCC.

Cas Hruska, 209 Evergreen, Millvale Pride: 72 Vendors and 8 hours of entertainment set for the 3rd Annual Pride Millvale, to be held on 6/24/23.

Public Comment

Kathy Sikora – Questions regarding Millvale Days. Council President Machajewski responded that Millvale Days will be a 2 day celebration, end of June announcement.

Diana Brown – 528 North Ave and Sue Rudolph – 526 North Avenue – Regarding rodent issue at 530 North Avenue. Have caught 18 rodents, incurring exterminator expenses.

Adjournment

The public meeting adjourned at 6:42 pm.

James Machajewski, Jr., President

Eddie Figas, Borough Manager