

**WORKSHOP MEETING
MILLVALE BOROUGH COUNCIL
March 5, 2012**

The Millvale Borough Council Workshop was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

Council Members Present: Jim Machajewski; William Stout; Polly Grimpe; John Kelly; Brian Wolovich, Jack Varley and Al Atkinson

Junior Councilmember Present: Tyler Machajewski

Also in Attendance: Mayor Vincent Cinski, James Tunstall, Borough Solicitor Jack Cambest, and David Soboslay

Brian Wolovich asked Taylor Machajewski to review some items all related to the applying for a grant through Allegheny County called Health & Safe Communities. The grant is due in as soon as possible because funds have to be spent by June.

Comments from the Public

Dave Hammond II from 330 Stanton Avenue came to speak to Council about the parking situation in the rear of his property. Public works painted a line in the ROW at the request of Chief Miller. Council would like the staff to take a look at this property.

Jim Tunstall reviewed details about the hearing with Mr. Smalls in Common Pleas Court.

Finance

Councilman Wolovich requested a monthly budget versus actual report.

Public Works

3RWW – Storm Drain Marking – Council is willing to participate in this program if they can find someone who will do it. It was suggested that the story be put on the Borough website.

Council discussed the upcoming FEMA visit and how it ties into the National Flood Insurance Program. Jim Machajewski indicated that he will be there for the meeting. Senate Engineering will start putting together information for the meeting.

The Council will move ahead with the adoption of the sidewalk maintenance ordinance.

There is a meeting at McCandless Township regarding the 21st Century Sewer issues. No one from Millvale Council can attend due to final Manager interviews also being held the night of March 6, 2013.

Public Safety

There was a request for stop signs on Maryland Avenue and the question was raised whether there is an existing ordinance on the books for this. If not, a new ordinance will be needed. If no ordinance exists, this should appear on the agenda in April.

There is a parking issue raised by PENNDOT at East Ohio/Grant/Stanton Ave. The state permit requires a “no parking” restriction back 100 feet from the stop bar. The Borough already allows business owners to have cars parked half on the street and half off the street. Council would like Joey Kypta and Chief Miller to approach the business owner about the “no parking” restriction situation. Council would also like staff to contact PennDot about trying to acquire a Right Of Way (ROW) in front of the building for parking purposes. Dave Soboslay will follow up on this issue.

Recreation

There is a resolution that must be adopted by Council requesting funds for the DCNR Multi-Municipal park master plan. It will be on the March 12 agenda – the grant is due to DCNR on April 10.

Eddie Figas noted that the Riverfront zoning overlay has been completed by ARTEZ and will be delivered to the Borough for staff and engineering review. It will then be submitted for the Planning Commission for their review and recommendation to Council.

Council Members

Councilman Machajewski: Reported information about the meeting of fire departments concerning possible consolidation. He sees it as a positive but it is still early in the process

Councilman Wolovich: The Council will need to approve a letter applying for participation in the Sunshot Challenge II. A letter to apply for the program needs to be approved at the March 12 Council meeting and prepared on Millvale letterhead.

Also, the Tree Planting dates are April 6th and 20th. Council members requested a map showing where the trees are to be planted.

Councilman Atkinson had nothing to report.

Councilman Varley raised the issue about the trailer at the Riverfront Park. This issue will be covered in Executive Session under the Venture Outdoors lease since it includes the lease of real estate.

Councilman Kelly had several items to review.

- ADA Kayak Ramp – There are four Penn State Students working on four separate visions of how this should be built

- Scenic Pittsburgh – Dave Demko wants to talk to Council about Scenic Pittsburgh. Council agreed that Mr. Demko can make a presentation at 5:30 pm on the day of the next Workshop meeting of Council.
- Marina Parking Issues - The Owner would like to have more dedicated parking at the marina. Council would like the Owner to clear out space for marina parking on his own property. There is an issue as to whether the Owner has encroached on Borough Property with parking, material, and equipment storage. Phil Herman from Senate Engineering was directed to stake out the Borough property boundaries in order to determine if there is an encroachment.

Councilwoman Grimpe had nothing to report.

Councilman Stout reported that he is meeting with ALCOSAN on Thursday about a proposed sanitary sewer relocation project at the Riverfront Park. He also reported that he will be spending approximately \$500 on new blinds for the Borough Office.

The Council reviewed the appointments to the Planning Commission and Zoning Hearing Board that will be made at the March 12 meeting. No one is opposed to the appointments as they appear on the agenda

Executive Session:

The Council adjourned to Executive Session at which time personnel issues and pending litigation were discussed. The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 pm.