

**WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES**  
**MILLVALE BOROUGH COUNCIL**  
**Council Chambers, 501 Lincoln Avenue**  
**Tuesday, June 3, 2014**

**Public Hearing Convened at 6:00 p.m. to present the Etna, Millvale, Sharpsburg Comprehensive Plan**  
Council President James Machajewski opened the public hearing. Carolyn Yagle of Environmental, Planning and Design presented the Comprehensive Plan to the public in attendance. Present were Rick Stryzinski and Marlene Tucibat. There being no public comment and no submitted comments, Council President Machajewski asked for a motion to close the public hearing. Motion to close the public hearing by Mr. Atkinson, second by Mr. Stout. Public hearing closed at 6:17

Workshop Meeting Convened

Roll Call

Council Members: Jim Machajewski; William Stout; John Kelly; Al Atkinson; Brian Wolovich; Jack Varley. Also in attendance: Mayor Vincent Cinski, Solicitor Cambest, Engineer Phil Strunk, Ed Figas and Manager Amy Rockwell.

Public Comment

Joe McLaughlin spoke to the council regarding biking in Millvale and the proposed bike routes in the area.

Community Development

Ed Figas provided an update on the Hotel proposal. Discussion was held regarding Tax Forgiveness for the properties at 524 Grant, 216-220 North Avenue. It was agreed that the council would provide a letter of support to Shaler and Allegheny County. A request had been made to allow free meditation classes sponsored by the MBDC at the riverfront. Classes would be moved if there was a rental or event in the lawn area by the pavilion.

Borough Engineer

Borough Engineer submitted his report for review. Discussion was held on applying for a multi-modal grant for crosswalks, ADA accessibility and Signage. Discussion was had on PWSA proposal for a green street after they are done making system improvements on Wherle Way.

Planning Commission

No report.

Items from Council Members:

Mr. Wolovich spoke to council regarding a tax issue at the Library and the lack of clarification provided to the Library. Mr. Wolovich requested that on June 6, 2014 while Deloitte is here for their IMPACT day that we do not have parking meter enforcement. All were in favor. Mr. Wolovich stated that he would like to see proclamations presented to Tina Walker and Ed Figas for their hard work and dedication with the MBDC in finally obtaining the properties at 524 Grant Avenue, 416-420 North Avenue.

Mr. Kelly announced that there will be a walking tour of Millvale businesses on July 26.

Mr. Machajewski stated that he attended the celebration for Pastors George and Carolyn Mendis on Sunday, June 1, 2014 and read a proclamation from the Borough. Mr. Machajewski requested that Ross WestView be allowed to book the Pavilion at a discounted rate on an open Friday night provided that they provide all clean up after the event. Everyone was in favor.

New Business

Discussion was held on Duquesne Light's cobrahead street lighting conversion pilot program. The upfront cost per LED is \$109 with a projected annual savings of \$24.

Discussion was held on the RACP Grant and the Kittman Properties. It was determined that the Borough would require an extension from the June 26<sup>th</sup> deadline for submission.

Discussion was held on the Floodplain Ordinance adoption and the upcoming Community Assistance Visit to be held on June 25, 2014. Final adoption to be done by September 26, 2014.

Discussion and review was held on the three quotes for the new HVAC unit for the Borough Building. It was determined to go with the lowest proposal from Staab Heating and Cooling.

Discussion was held on the Brown Street wall repair. Gateway put together an estimate for permanent repairs and they came in at \$97,500. It was recommended to look at alternative proposals to this type of repair. A conflict of interest statement was submitted by Dan Wolovich for 121 Howard Street for the Alleghent County Vacant Property Recovery Program.

It was noted that Resolution No. 2598, adoption of the Multi-Municipal Comprehensive Plan would need added to the agenda for June 10, 2014.

Discussion was held on the continuing occurrence of tractor trailers damaging stop lights and decorative lighting in the Borough.

Discussion was held to advertise for the Accounting/Administrative Assistant and summer public works positions and wage ranges were determined.

Discussion was held on the anticipated Solar Fest Event to be held at the Riverfront on June 21, 2014.

Discussion was held on the proposed health insurance policy. It was determined to change policies for the next year.

It was presented to Council that the application to separate the Fire Department's Workers' Compensation rating from the Borough employee Workers' Compensation rating resulted in an almost \$8000.00 per year savings.

A letter was submitted to Council from Three Rivers Wet Weather indicating their intent to monitor Girty's Run Watershed and listed the members of the Subcommittee who will conduct the study. It was noted that Rick Minsterman of Gateway is on this committee which would provide representation for the Borough.

Draii Laag presented a request to the Borough for outside seating.

#### Comments From the Public

#### Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 pm to executive session and adjourned at 9:30.

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James Machajewski, Jr., President

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Amy S. Rockwell, Borough Manager