

***WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES
MILLVALE BOROUGH COUNCIL
Council Chambers, 501 Lincoln Avenue
Tuesday, December 6, 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, Brian Spoales; Jack Varley, Brian Wolovich, James Machajewski.

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

Absent: Jason Miller; William Stout

Community Development

Discussion was held regarding 524 Grant Avenue. They met with the sidewalk contractor and work will begin weather permitting. The borough removed the old bricks from the sidewalk and will repurpose. Moving forward on the RACP Grant.

Discussion was held regarding the hotel. The geotech samples came back good and the company is ready to move forward. They are finishing the hotel in Connellsville and looking to start in Millvale.

Borough Engineer

Mr. Strunk of Gateway Engineers reported on November's engineering activities. Submitting full applications to CDBG for three projects. MS4 compliance still continues. The inspection report came back favorably from the DEP. ARLE grant will be installed early next year. ADA for the MCC will be rebid in January. PWSA's contractor is finished paving Spring Street, Joe to review the punch list for completion. RFP for bridge inspections was submitted and a five person team has been assembled to review them. Plans are complete for the MCC rooftop stairs.

Police Report

Chief Miller discussed crossing guard staffing while one is out. She will return to work in January. Part Timers are all following the same training program and evaluations. Two officers attended a patrol rifle course.

Planning Commission

No report.

Items from Council Members

Mr. Spoales discussed the Millvale Music Festival to be held May 12-13th. The festival is requesting the use of GAPP park. There will be music throughout the day with one hundred bands. The group will be a subcommittee of the MCDC to cover insurance for the event. Mr. Spoales also discussed the youth meeting which he attended at Christ Lutheran Church. Community members are working on forming a group to impact our youth in a positive way.

Mr. Wolovich discussed the MCC solar install and the library board will be working on an agreement with Energy Independent Solutions to perform the installation. The design for the rooftop stair access is complete and the next step is for the library to seek bidders. Once the cost of installation is completed will determine the amount of solar panels which can be installed.

Mr. Machajewski discussed the senior luncheon and discussed that it was well attended. Thank you letters were sent to all the people who made donations to the event. Mr. Machajewski discussed the recent fire department elections and reported that council will need to ratify the election of Karl Cavanaugh as Fire Chief. Mr. Machajewski announced the first meeting of the Tri-COG Land Bank will be held on Thursday, December 8, 2016. Mr. Machajewski also provided an update on the ARTEZ dissolution which they anticipate being final by the end of the year.

Old Business

Chief Miller discussed the camera installation of the cameras from the District Attorney's office. They will be installed on route 28.

New Business

Discussion was held regarding Three Rivers Rowing request to transfer the dock permit from the borough. Discussion was held regarding their intent to enlarge the dock length. It was discussed that council would like a clear proposal for the intended changes. Discussion was held regarding the lease agreement and the intended programs listed in the lease.

Discussion was held regarding the field agreement with the Millvale Athletic Association. It was determined that council would like phrasing in the agreement that the play area must be available at all times.

Discussion was held regarding the 2017 Wage Resolution.

Discussion was held regarding the 2017 Millvale Community Center and Pavilion requests for use.

Discussion was held regarding the 2017 Meeting Calendar.

Discussion was held regarding the 2017 appointments to the Civil Service Commission, Planning Commission, Zoning Hearing Board, North Hills Council of Government, Tree Committee and the MCDC.

Discussion was held regarding the visit from Leadership Pittsburgh. Millvale was selected for a site visit for their Local Government day. We will discuss how we partner with PennDOT, foundations and authorities.

Discussion was held regarding the 2017 Tax Anticipation Note. We will be applying for \$550,000 for the year 2017.

Discussion was held regarding the 2014 and 2015 Liens. The cost to file in Allegheny County will be increased from \$20 to \$50 in 2017. Keystone sent over the 2014 and 2015 delinquencies should council determine to file before the filing fee increase.

Discussion was held regarding the proposed Social Media and Internet Usage Policies. It was determined to move forward and adopt the policies as written.

Discussion was held regarding the Police Pension Contributions for 2017. With the pension fund at 103% funded, it was advised that contributions in 2017 from the officers will not be needed.

Discussion was held regarding Guardian Protection Service and the alarm at the riverfront. They need to update the service down there at no charge, but it will require a new contract.

Discussion was held regarding the 2017 Fee Resolution.

Discussion was held regarding the year end transfers and the final TAN Payment for 2016.

Discussion was held regarding the donation of the solar installation at the Millvale Community Center.

Discussion was held regarding the balloon payment for the lease at Mr. Smalls.

Comments From the Public

Zaheen Hussain, Millvale Library, discussed the Air Quality Study and indicated that a draft will be delivered shortly. Mr. Hussain discussed the Solar Fellows Program and meetings of the Bide Ped Committee.

Executive session

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm.

James Machajewski, Jr., President

Amy S. Rockwell, Borough Manager