

WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES
MILLVALE BOROUGH COUNCIL
Council Chambers, 501 Lincoln Avenue
Tuesday, February 2, 2021

Workshop Meeting Convened

The Millvale Borough Council Workshop was called to order at 5:01 pm by Council President James Machajewski.

Roll Call

Council Members: President James Machajewski
Vice-President Al Atkinson via ZOOM
Paul Bossung via ZOOM
Katie Dembowski via ZOOM
Patty Harpur via ZOOM
William Stout
Jack Varley - Absent

Also in attendance: Engineer Jenn Slagle via ZOOM, Borough Manager Eddie Figas, Office Administrator Michele Revay via ZOOM, Police Chief Tim Komoroski via ZOOM, Solicitor Cambest via ZOOM.

Covid-19 Updates

- Discussion was held regarding ACT 15; Council meeting adjustments – no adjustments or changes.
- Discussion was held regarding facilities rental start date. Reservations began February 1. Will reevaluate in April.
- Discussion was held regarding upcoming potential Covid-19 testing dates and vaccinations, to be held via Squirrel Hill Health Center at the Millvale Community Center.

Correspondence

None.

New Business

Discussion was held regarding the Riverfront RFP. It's been three years in the making.

Discussion was held regarding the Millvale Ballfield Agreement, and the Ballfield Lighting bid. Estimated to be 8600.00 for the bid, three bids.

Discussion was held regarding the Natural Playspace at the River Front Park. It is in the final stages of completion to get ready to officially open.

Discussion was held regarding the NHCOC Mutual Aid Agreement. There will be an update on the previous agreement that was set in place.

Discussion was held regarding Bulletin Board replacement/ Borough Info board. Discussed having multiple smaller boards, as well as boards at the Island by Hardee's and GAP park.

Events/Programming

Discussion was held regarding updates on Millvale Days

- Reached out to vendors and sponsors.

Discussion was held regarding updates on Millvale Music Festival

- Reached out to vendors and sponsors.

Zoning/Community Development/Code Report

Discussion was held regarding various Zoning/Ordinance updates for 2021.

Discussion was held regarding minor changes to the flood ordinance.

Discussion was held regarding amusement device permits and enforcement.

Hearings for February are postponed.

Borough Engineer

Gateway Engineers

Ms. Slagle reported on engineering activities for the month of January.

C-42000-2020 General Engineering

Working with the Borough to provide inspection services and summary report for the Frank Street Bridge.

C-42004-2020 MS4 Compliance Work

Gateway continues to work with the Borough for 2020/2021 tasks.

C-42007-2020 Millvale Road Program

No new updates.

C-42010-0005 CDBG Grants

CDBG Year 47 ADA Ramps Project is complete.

C-42019 Mary Street Slide

There are no new updates.

C-42021-2020 Demolition Contract

Meyers Demolition started work on December 29, 2020. Demolition completed for the following properties: 17 Friday, 19 Friday Road, 225 Sample Street and 243 Maryland Avenue. All demolitions included in the contract have been completed. Demolition of 23 Friday Road has been added to the contract along with asbestos mitigation for 726 Stanton Avenue. There is interest to purchase 726 Stanton Avenue, so only asbestos mitigation was completed and added to the contract.

C-42023 Wessel Alley Due Diligence

The field work for the survey was complete. Gateway finalized plotting the survey data and final location of the right of way and property lines. Gateway prepared preliminary cost estimates for reopening the road.

Public Works

Discussion was held regarding Public Works project updates.

Public Works continues to salt and treat the roads due to snowfall.

Indoor projects due to weather are prioritized.

Discussion was held regarding the 2021 paving report. Roads to be worked on: Butler, Farragut, Johnson, North, Stanton Ave (600-700 Block).

Discussion was held regarding vehicle purchase and financing.

Police Report

Discussion was held regarding vehicle purchase and financing.

Discussion was held regarding the DUI Task Force Agreement. It was renewed.

Discussion was held regarding the civil service exam.

Planning Commission

No report due to no agenda.

Items from Council Members

Mayor Spoales:

1. Plan for a potential senior dinner in the future.
2. Valentine's Day event for the kids in Millvale. 1pm – 3pm, Millvale Youth Dance is getting together treats.

Councilman Stout:

1. Discussed the Non-Discrimination Ordinance, setting it to be passed in June in honor of Pride Month.

Councilwoman Harpur:

1. Went to the Triboro Library System meeting, likes the idea of interconnected Triboro Library System (Millvale, Etna and Sharpsburg).

Councilman Varley:

1. Sends his regards, hello to all, thanks for your patience.

Unfinished Business

Discussion was held regarding the Civil Service Testing updates.

Discussion was held regarding the Frank Street Bridge.

Discussion was held regarding an appointment to the Educational Services Agency, Stephanie Klein no longer lives in Millvale and position needs re-appointed.

Discussion was held regarding an appointment to the Zoning Hearing Board, Mark Panza no longer lives in Millvale and position needs re-appointed.

Public Comment

None.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 5:59pm.

Council then moved to Executive Session.

James Machajewski, Jr., President

Eddie Figas, Borough Manager