

REGULAR MEETING

WENESDAY

7:30 P.M.

DECEMBER 1, 2021

This regular meeting of Council was called to order on the above-stated date at the above-stated time after the Pledge of Allegiance by President Mark D. Tortorice with the following Members of Council present:

RC-1 **PRESENT: BRANDON HALE, DOUG JUNECKO, GREG LOMBARDO
KENNETH HRESKO, MARK TORTORICE,
DEBORAH THOMAS, ROBERT BETTERS**

Also present were, Solicitor Patricia McGrail, Malisa Migliori, Borough Manager, Don Glenn, Engineer, Jr. Council Person, Arriana Ewing. Mayor Hranics was absent.

MOTION: Mr. Hale moved, seconded by Mrs. Thomas, "To approve the minutes for the October 20, 2021, November 3, 2021 regular Council Meeting at 7:30 P.M. and Public Hearing minutes for November 3, 2021 at 7:00 P.M.

RC-2 **Yeas: Unanimous - Motion Carried**

President Tortorice announced that an Executive Session was held this evening to discuss personnel issues.

COMMENTS FROM CITIZEN:

Anita Basa- 1002 Burbank Road, about the neighbor letting her cat run at large and defecates on her property, November 23, 24 and today, December 3, 2021. She's breaking the Liber Law because it was below 32 degrees. She asked if the police can give her a letter. She is breaking the law and doesn't respect anyone's property. Solicitor McGrail said yes, she can be cited and Malisa will turn the information over to the Mayor and Chief of Police, but it'll be up to the magistrate to determine the fine. Discussion on this matter and having the Mayor and Chief return her calls.

Jason Ewing~321 Monroe Avenue, about the fire at 905 Romine Avenue, he said there's a major safety issue with the hydrants in the Borough and specifically with the latest fire. Chief Hale spoke to this in the Workshop meeting. He thanked Fire Chief Brandon Hale for his leadership and support. Mr. Tortorice said we are going to set up a meeting with the water company to see what we can do about this.

Ed Jones-Pasadena Road and also with the American Legion. He personally thanked Bob Betters for putting up and taking down the banners. He also asked if they could pass out children's books at the Light up Night event. He also mentioned December 7, 2021, 80th anniversary of Pearl Harbor. He said they will be having an official gun fire at the Bowman Club.

Discussion on the banners.

CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER'S REPORT: Ken Hresko reported: He's been attending several hearings every Wednesday.

ENGINEERS REPORT: Gave his report at the caucus meeting.

MAYORS REPORT: Mayor Hranics no report, absent:

SOLICITORS REPORT: Solicitor Patricia McGrail report give at the Workshop Meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

CHAIRMAN OF PROPERETY/DEMOLITION: Mr. Junecko gave his report in Workshop and had the following motions:

MOTION: Mr. Junecko moved, seconded by Mr. Lombardo, "To sponsor a Christmas tree for a selected family in the amount of \$75.00 payable to Vigilant Hose Co. #1."

RC-3 Yeas: Unanimous - Motion Carried

MOTION: Mr. Junecko moved, seconded by Mr. Hresko, "To ratify payment to Allegheny Fence Construction for fencing behind the bleachers in the amount of \$5,640.00."

RC-4 Yeas: Unanimous - Motion Carried

MOTION: Mr. Junecko moved, seconded by Mr. Lombardo, "To ratify the sale of the Series 885 Leaf Loader to Dravosburg Borough in the amount of \$1.00."

RC-5 Yeas: Unanimous - Motion Carried

MOTION: Mr. Junecko Moved, seconded by Mr. Lombardo, "To ratify payment to Pronto Tech for emergency repairs for two public works garage heaters and one furnace for the ambulance garage in the amount of \$4,500.00."

RC-6 Yeas: Unanimous - Motion Carried

STREET AND LIGHT COMMITTEE: Mr. Lombardo gave his report in the Workshop meeting and had the following motions:

MOTION: Mr. Lombardo moved, seconded by Mr. Junecko, "To authorize payment in the amount of \$1,985.80 to E.J. LOWERY for lighting on the 2021 Ford truck."

RC-7 Yeas: *Unanimous - Motion Carried

MOTION: Mr. Lombardo moved, seconded by Mr. Hresko "To ratify payment to Vigilant Hose Co. 1 for reimbursement in the amount of \$1,100.00 for the 2006 Chevrolet Squad Vehicle for brakes and rotors."

RC-8 Yeas: Unanimous _ Motion Carried

MOTION: Mr. Lombardo moved, seconded by Mr. Junecko, "To authorize payment to Pleasant Hills Pet Hospital in the amount of \$413.44 for the trap, neuter and release program for 6 cats. (Gray and Norwood Avenue).

RC-9 Yeas: Unanimous - Motion Carried

Jr. Council Person: Arriana Ewing reported on the breakfast with Santa event at the high school. \$5.00 for children and

CHAIRMAN OF POLICE/FIRE/PUBLIC SAFETY: Mr. Hresko gave his code enforcement report in the Workshop Meeting. No fire report was available by meeting time.

MOTION: Mr. Hresko moved, seconded by Mr. Junecko, "To adopt Ordinance No. 2021-646, an Ordinance of the Borough of Port Vue, Allegheny County, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, establishing a tax levy for support of fire protection services in the Borough of Port Vue at (one) 1 Mil for the fiscal year ending 2022."

RC-10 Yeas: Unanimous - Motion

MOTION: Mr. Hresko moved, seconded by Mr. Junecko, "To adopt Resolution No. 2021-032, in cooperation with the County of Allegheny and the Redevelopment Authority of Allegheny County to participate in the Allegheny County Vacant Property Program which would be in accord with the Comprehensive Plan of the Borough of Port Vue."

Mr. Hresko gave an over view of the Vacant Property Program. He also stated the Borough has joined the land banking program too.

RC-11 Yeas: Unanimous - Motion Carried

MOTION: Mr. Hresko moved, seconded by Mr. Hale, "To extend conditional offer of employment to Joshua Kramer per terms and conditions of the collective bargaining agreement subject to satisfactory completion of drug/alcohol testing and background check."

RC-12 Yeas: Unanimous - Motion Carried

MOTION: Mr. Hresko moved, seconded by Mr. Hale, "To extend conditional offer of employment to Jason Kracun per terms and conditions of the collective bargaining agreement subject to satisfactory completion of drug/alcohol testing and background check."

RC-13 Yeas: Unanimous - Motion Carried

CHAIRMAN OF FINANCE/BUDGET COMMITTEE: Mrs. Thomas had the following report for December: Current Tax collections for November \$2,395.93

Delinquent Tax collection reports were not available as of meeting time.

We will be passing the budget this evening and I'm happy to announce there will be no tax increase for 2022.

Steel Rivers Annual General Assembly Dinner Meeting, Will be held on Thursday, December 2nd at the Sunset Room in Elizabeth Township.

December 9, 2021 Cog will be hosting a Tri-Cog land bank meeting at 7:00 p.m. at the Cog. Ken and Doug will be attending. I will be attending the US Steel Community Advisory Panel meeting that evening.

MOTION: Mrs. Thomas moved, seconded by Mr. Hresko, "To adopt Ordinance No. 2021-645, an Ordinance of the Borough of Port Vue, Allegheny County, Pennsylvania, levying taxes for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2022 at 7.40 Mills."

RC-14 Yeas: Unanimous - Motion Carried

MOTION: Mrs. Thomas moved, seconded by Mr. Junecko, "To approve the budget in the amount of \$1,744,137.21."

RC-15 Yeas: Unanimous - Motion Carried

MOTION: Mrs. Thomas moved, seconded by Mr. Junecko, "To adopt Resolution No. 2021-031, authorizing the issuance of a tax and revenue anticipation note, Series 2022 with the terms set forth in the foregoing and attached certificate and transmittal; approving a form of note; authorizing designated officers to execute and deliver the note, authorizing and directing the filing proceedings with the Department of Community and Economic Development; providing for the payment and security of the note; making certain Federal Income Tax Covenants in respect of the note; accepting the proposal of First Commonwealth Bank for the purchase of the note; and repealing inconsistent Resolutions."

RC-16 Yeas; Unanimous - Motion Carried

RECREATION COMMITTEE: Mr. Betters gave the recreation report in the Workshop session. He had the following motions:

MOTION: Mr. Betters moved, seconded by Mrs. Thomas, "To adopt Ordinance No. 2021-647, an Ordinance of the Borough of Port Vue, Allegheny County, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania amending the current provisions of Chapter 210 of the Borough Code of Ordinances relating to Parks and Recreation areas and establishing updated rules and regulations and enforcement and penalty measures for Borough Parks and Recreation areas. This Ordinance be known as the Parks and Recreation Ordinance as amended."

RC-17 Yeas: Unanimous - Motion Carried

MOTION: Mr. Betters moved, seconded by Mr. Junecko, "To approve payment to E.J. Lowery in the amount of \$1,200.00 for lube, filter and oil change for the 1995 Mack and 2015 Spartan fire truck."

RC-18 Yeas: Unanimous - Motion Carried

MOTION: Mr. Betters moved, seconded by Mr. Hresko, "To adopt Resolution No. 221-033, of the Borough of Port Vue, County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, amending fee schedule Resolution No. 2021-021, establishing fees for the rental of the Recreation Center."

RC-19 Yeas: Unanimous - Motion Carried

SANITATION/RECYCLING COMMITTEE: Mr. Hale had the annual Christmas tree sale, we'll be having photos with Santa this Saturday at 11:00 a.m. in the fire company parking lot. He announced that Santa will be going around the Borough on the fire truck giving out candy on December 11th, he gave the report on the fire and spoke with the building inspector Mark Lazzaro about the inspection report. He announced the fire company Christmas party on December 18th at the George Towne Inn. Lastly, Officer installation swearing and ceremonies will be held on January 4th, 2022. He had the following motions:

MOTION: Mr. Hale moved, seconded by Mr. Junecko, "To adopt Resolution No. 2021-030, authorizing the payment of bills and wages incurred during the month of November, 2021."

RC-20 Yeas: Mr. Hale, Mr. Junecko, Mr. Lombardo, Mr. Hresko, Mrs. Thomas, Mr. Betters

Abstained: Mr. Tortorice, Tortorice Auto - Motion Carried

MOTION: Mr. Hale moved, seconded by Mrs. Thomas, "To ratify all departmental and inter-governmental transfers during the month of November, 2021"

RC-21 Yeas: Unanimous - Motion Carried

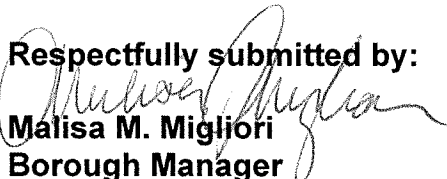
MOTION: Mr. Hale moved, seconded by Mr. Hresko, "To accept the monthly reports for November, 2021 as presented."

RC-22 Yeas: Unanimous - Motion Carried

Mr. Tortorice wished everyone a Merry Christmas and invited everyone to come to the ribbon cutting and grand opening of the recreation center. He thanked Senator Brewster, Congressmen Doyle, and State Representatives Pisciotano along with the recreation committee and the appointed officials to make this a reality.

MOTION: Mr. Hale moved, seconded by Mr. Junecko, "To Adjourn"

Respectfully submitted by:


Malisa M. Migliori
Borough Manager

Approved by:


Mark D. Tortorice
President of Council