

REGULAR MEETING

WENESDAY

7:30 P.M.

NOVEMBER 3, 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 JUHNECKO, GREG LOMBARDO
KENNETH HRESKO, MARK TORTORICE,
DEBORAH THOMAS, ROBERT BETTERS**

Also present were, Mayor Hranics, Solicitor Patricia McGrail, Malisa Migliori, Borough Manager, Don Glenn, Engineer, Building Inspector Mark Lazzaro, Jr. Council Person, Arriana Ewing, (signed off prior to the Regular Meeting).

President Tortorice announced an Executive session was held this evening at 5:45 p.m. to discuss personnel issues.

Mrs. Thomas announced the meeting minutes for October 20, 2021 were not available for approval by meeting time.

COMMENTS FROM CITIZEN: Manager Migliori stated no comments received.

CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER'S REPORT: Mr. Hresko said no change to the report given in Workshop.

ENGINEERS REPORT: Gave his report at the Workshop meeting.

MAYORS REPORT: Mayor Hranics gave the October report.

The Mayor had the following to report for October, 2021. The police had 123 calls in October, there were 11 traffic citations, 9 non-traffic citations, 6 assisting other departments and 18 calls assisting E.M.S., the balance of the calls were for various reasons such as animal complaints, disabled vehicles, disturbance, etc. The Mayor also reported the mileage on the 2013 Ford Taurus was 587 and no expenses, the mileage on the 2017 Ford Explorer was 1,667 and expenses were \$64.95, mileage on the 2019 Ford Explorer was 1,314 and no expenses.

SOLICITORS REPORT: Solicitor Patricia McGrail stated she has prepared a Covid 19 policy for everyone and has prepared the recreation documents requested.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

CHAIRMAN OF RECREATION: Mr. Betters reported we will be having the Light up Night and Grand Opening of the recreation center on Friday, December 3, 2021. The Grand Opening for the Officials will take place at 5:00 p.m. and the Light Up Night will follow at 6:00 p.m. Leaf pick up will begin next week, please call the office with your address for leaf collection.

MOTION: Mr. Betters moved, seconded by Mrs. Thomas, “To award and ratify payment to JM Paving for seal coating and lining of Recreation Area in the amount of \$4,100.00 from the US Steel Project Fund as recommended by Don Glenn Engineering.”

RC-2 Yeas: Unanimous - Motion Carried

MOTION: Mr. Betters moved, seconded by Mr. Junecko, “To ratify payment to Penline in the amount of \$9,450.00 for guiderail along Rec Way from the US Steel Project Fund as recommended by Don Glenn Engineering.”

RC-3 Yeas: Unanimous - Motion Carried

MOTION: Mr. Betters moved, seconded by Mr. Junecko, “To authorize Yarborough Construction to enlarge the driveway at the parking lot in the amount of \$3,500.00 from the US Steel Project Fund as recommended by Don Glenn Engineering.”

RE-4 Yeas: Unanimous - Motion Carried

FINANCE/BUDGET COMMITTEE: Mrs. Thomas gave the budget and tax report for October, 2021. October current tax collections \$6,987.80
October delinquent tax collections \$6,428.27

Budget and Finance committee met on Thursday, October 28th. We have come up with a preliminary draft to present to Council this evening. The total for the 2022 budget is 1,744,137.21. We are in a good financial position. The shortage we encountered when preparing the 2022 budget will be transferred over from the Capital Reserve account to cover the expenses. Overall, the budget has decreased from last year by \$112,000.00. This is due to good financial management and the grants brought in through out the year. The grants have helped defer some of the capital projects that were ear marked for budget expenses. The allocated transfer from the Sewer fund to balance the 2021 Budget will not be necessary according to the financial projections. I would recommend to advertise to display the preliminary budget for review along with the budget ordinances.

Steel Rivers Annual General Assembly Dinner Meeting, Will be held on Thursday, December 2nd at the Sunset Room in Elizabeth Township. Networking at 5:30 and Meeting call to order for 6:30 p.m. Please RSVP to Malisa no later than next Tuesday November 10, 2021.

MOTION: Mrs. Thomas moved, seconded by Mr. Hresko, “To adopt Resolution No. 2021-029, authorizing the payment of bills and wages incurred during the month of October, 2021.”

RC-5 Yeas: Unanimous - Motion Carried
Abstain: Mr. Mark Tortorice, Tortorice Auto

MOTION: Mrs. Thomas moved, seconded by Mr. Junecko, “To display and advertise the 2022 Draft Budget as circulated, with Budget Ordinances for Real Estate and Fire Tax.”

President Tortorice remarked there will be no tax increase for 2022.

RC-6 Yeas: Unanimous - Motion Carried

CHAIRMAN OF SANITATION: Mr. Hale gave the following report: Current Collections for October: \$2834.00

October Delinquent :\$1,705.90

Snoopy has achieved height and decent training.

November 26th the Fire Company will be having the Christmas tree sale. Anyone interested in donating a tree to a needy family let us know.

* We had a call to clean up some motor oil. Just a reminder to all residents, "Please do not put any type of oil or hazardous material out for trash collection. This is addressed in the Port Vue Code of Ordinance." Thank you for your consideration.

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

RC-7 Yeas: Unanimous - Motion Carried

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

RC-8 Yeas: Unanimous - Motion Carried

CHAIRMAN OF PROPERTY/DEMOLITION: Mr. Junecko gave the following report:

Minniefield Demolition have picked up all necessary paperwork for the demolitions at 1483 and 1726 Rear Romine Avenue. These will be down by the next meeting.

As you can see from the agenda we are forging ahead with demolition of blighted properties and working through the asbestos procedures. We are also applying for additional grant funding for demolition. We are currently waiting on the asbestos surveys of 1818 Tacoma, 1820 Tacoma, 1124 Burbank and 1706 New York Avenue. Glenn Engineering will prepare a bid proposal for the demolition.

Malisa is working on the next round of CDBG for street reconstruction and demolition, so if you get a call from the Borough it's completely legitimate and part of the survey process for funding.

Mr. Junecko announced the Allegheny County Boroughs Association General Membership dinner on Thursday, December 2, 2021. Please contact Malisa with your RSVP.

MOTION: Mr. Junecko moved, seconded by Mrs. Thomas, "To proceed with demolition of 1425 Washington Boulevard, Lot/Block 383-N-007, 1822 Trimble Avenue, Lot/Block 465-A-129, 1027 Lysle Avenue, Lot/Block 383-G-146."

RC-9 Yeas: Unanimous - Motion Carried

MOTION: Mr Junecko moved, seconded by Mr. Hale, "To postpone condemnation of 1806 New York Avenue, Lot/Block 465-A-095, and 1106 Monroe Avenue, Lot/Block 383-G-101, based on criteria, timelines and comprehensive plan going forward."

RC-10 Yeas: Unanimous - Motion Carried

MOTION: Mr. Junecko moved, seconded by Mr. Lombardo, "To ratify Insurance Proposal from EMC for the Borough Insurance for 2022."

RC-11 Yeas: Unanimous - Motion Carried

MOTION: Mr. Junecko moved, seconded by Mr. Better, "To advertise an Ordinance to update rules and regulations for the Recreation Center and Romine Park.

RC-12 Yeas: Unanimous - Motion Carried

STREET AND LIGHT COMMITTEE: Mr. Lombardo had the following motions: He also mentioned that he along with Bob Better attended the annual salt meeting.

He reported the paving project won't be taking place until Spring. The contractor is still trying to finish up his other contracts and the weather won't permit it for this year. So, in the Spring we'll be ready to start.

MOTION: Mr. Lombardo moved, seconded by Mrs. Thomas, "To adopt Ordinance #2021-644, an Ordinance of the Borough of Port Vue, County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania further amending Ordinance 501, Chapter 295, Section 16, establishing One Way Direction at Vermont from Romine to Trimble Avenue, West to East direction of travel."

RC-13 Yeas: Unanimous - Motion Carried

MOTION: Mr. Lombardo moved, seconded by Mr. Junecko, "To ratify increase in wage rate to \$18.79 for Employee #0267 effective November 1, 2021."

RC-14 Yeas: Unanimous - Motion Carried

CHAIRMAN OF POLICE/FIRE/PUBLIC SAFETY: Mr. Hresko gave the fire report for October and had following report:

MOTION: Mr. Hresko moved, seconded by Mrs. Thomas, "To accept the 2022 Tax Anticipation Proposal from First Commonwealth Bank at fixed at 2.25% interest rate."

RC-15 Yeas: Unanimous - Motion Carried

MOTION: Mr. Hresko moved, seconded by Mr. Junecko, "To renew Borough Employee Health Insurance through Mockenhaupt Benefit Services for coverage from January 1, 2022 to December 1, 2022."

RC-16 Yeas: Unanimous - Motion Carried

MOTION: Mr. Hresko moved, seconded by Mrs. Thomas, "To ratify payment to Flashover Fire Apparatus & Equipment in the amount of \$1,119.46 for fire helmets from the Fire Fund."

RC-17 Yeas: Unanimous - Motion Carried

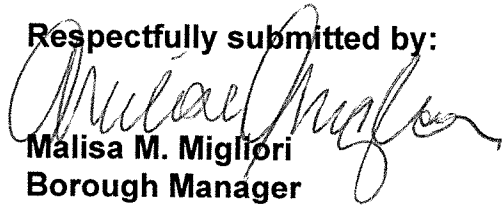
MOTION: Mr. Hresko moved, seconded by Mr. Lombardo, "To authorize payment to First Out for pan switch for the fire boat in the amount of \$93.00 from the Fire Fund."

RC-18 Yeas: Unanimous - Motion Carried

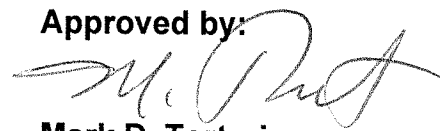
Mr. Tortorice thanked everyone for attending the meeting. He also asked the public to keep the roads clear in inclement weather. He wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

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