

REGULAR MEETING

WENESDAY

7:30 P.M.

OCTOBER 20, 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, GREG LOMBARDO,
KENNETH HRESKO, MARK TORTORICE,
DEBORAH THOMAS, ROBERT BETTERS**

ABSENT: DOUG JUNECKO

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

MOTION: Mrs. Thomas moved, seconded by Mr. Hresko, "To approve the minutes for the Regular Meeting held on September 8, 2021 at 7:30 P.M."

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

President Tortorice announced an Executive Session was held at 5:45 P.M. to discuss personnel issues.

COMMENTS FROM CITIZEN: None

CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER'S REPORT: Mr. Hresko stated he's been attending hearing regularly. He explained when citation letters are sent out the first letter is a warning after that then there will be citations issued.

ENGINEERS REPORT: Gave his report at the caucus meeting.

MAYORS REPORT: Mayor Hranics gave the statistics for September 2021.

The Mayor had the following to report for September 2021. The police had 1127 calls in August, there were 40 traffic citations, 27 non-traffic citations, 22 assisting other departments and 13 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 524 and expenses were \$334.74, the mileage on the 2017 Ford Explorer was 2,725 and expenses were 289.33, mileage on the 2019 Ford Explorer was 1,154 and expenses were \$578.85.

SOLICITORS REPORT: Solicitor Patricia McGrail reminded Council there will be public hearings next month for condemnation.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

CHAIRMAN OF STREET AND LIGHT COMMITTEE: Mr. Lombardo had the following motions:

Mr. Lombardo moved, seconded by Mrs. Thomas, "To ratify legal advertisement and paving specification to Glenn Engineering."

RC-3 Yeas: Unanimous - Motion Carried

MOTION: Mr. Lombardo moved, seconded by Mr. Hresko, "To ratify low bid for CDBG 47 paving award through Steel Rivers Council of Governments to El Grande in the amount of \$45,922.50 as recommended by Don Glenn Engineering."

RC-4 Yeas: Unanimous - Motion Carried

MOTION: Mr. Lombardo moved, seconded by Mr. Betters, "To adopt Ordinance No. 2021-642, an Ordinance of the Borough of Port Vue, County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania further amending Ordinance 501, Chapter 295, Section 33, establishing prohibited parking of Straw Alley in the turn around."

RC-5 Yeas: Unanimous - Motion Carried

MOTION: Mr. Lombardo moved, seconded by Mr. Hresko, "To adopt Ordinance No. 2021-641, an Ordinance of the Borough of Port Vue, County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, further amending Ordinance No. 401, Chapter 295, Section 295-23 of the Port Vue Code of Ordinances, providing for the adoption of a stop sign at the intersection of Rec Way and Romine Avenue."

RC-6 Yeas: Unanimous - Motion Carried

MOTION: Mr. Lombardo, seconded by Mrs. Thomas, "To advertise for an Ordinance for a one-way sign on Vermont Avenue from Trimble to Romine Avenue."

RC-7 Yeas: Unanimous - Motion Carried

CHAIRMAN OF SANITATION: Mr. Hale gave the August and September current and delinquent garbage collects for the month. He said the Fall Clean Up went well and we also collected 68 TV's.

He thanked Council for the opportunity to attend the PSAB convention in Erie and was very informative. Lastly, he said the Fire company now has a second canine to add to the team!! He reported the fire company will be selling Christmas trees again this year after Thanksgiving.

MOTION: Mr. Hale moved, seconded by Mr. Lombardo, "To authorize Glenn Engineering to prepare bid specification and advertisement for demolition at 1818 Tacoma Avenue, 1820 Tacoma Avenue, 1124 Burbank Road and 1706 New York Avenue.

RC-8 Yeas: Unanimous - Motion Carried

MOTION: Mr. Hale moved, seconded by Mr. Hresko, "To authorize and award KU Resources the Performance of Asbestos Surveys at 1818 Tacoma Avenue, 1820 Tacoma Avenue, 1124 Burbank Road and 1706 New York Avenue in the amount of \$550.00 per unit."

RC-9 Yeas: Unanimous - Motion Carried

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

RC-10 Yeas: Unanimous - Motion Carried

MOTION: Mr. Hale moved, seconded by Mr. Lombardo, "To accept the monthly report for September, 2021 as presented."

RC-11 Yeas: Unanimous - Motion Carried

MOTION: Mr. Hale moved, seconded by Mrs. Thomas' "To ratify quote and contract to Flynn Environmental, Inc. in the amount of \$10,500.00 for the removal of the Two Compartment Underground Storage Tank and Closure as recommended by Don Glenn Engineering."

RC-12 Yeas: Unanimous - Motion Carried

CHAIRMAN OF POLICE/FIRE/PUBLIC SAFETY: Mr. Hresko asked about a request for training and who it's for. This is requested by Officer Adams. Discussion on this matter. Mr. Hresko gave the September fire report.

MOTION: Mr. Hresko moved, seconded by Mr. Lombardo, "Ratifying distribution of Foreign Fire Insurance Tax to Vigilant Hose Company No. 1 Relief Association in the amount of \$13,520.24."

RC-13 Yeas: Unanimous - Motion Carried

MOTION: Mr. Hresko moved, seconded by Mr. Betters, "To adopt Resolution No. 2021-025 amending fee schedule Resolution No. 2021-021, to increase municipal no lien letter to \$40.00."

RC-14 Yeas: Unanimous - Motion Carried

MOTION: Mr. Hresko moved, seconded by Mr. Betters, "To approve and deposit State Aid Funding in the amount of \$15,707.64 into the General Municipal Pension Fund for payment of the 2021 reimbursement of the Teamsters Pension Plan for December 2021 with any excess to be deposited into the Police Pension Fund."

RC-15 Yeas: Unanimous - Motion Carried

MOTION: Mr. Hresko moved, seconded by Mrs. Thomas “To advertise public hearings for condemnation and legal clearances for 1801 New York Avenue, 1027 Lysle Avenue, 1106 Monroe Avenue, 1922 Trimble Avenue and 1425 Washington Boulevard.”

RC-16 Yeas: Unanimous - Motion Carried

MOTION: Mr. Hresko moved, seconded by Mr. Hale, “To authorize donation in the amount of \$250.00 to the Michael J. Lupinacci Memorial Golf Tournament to help defer costs of the ballistic vests and equipment for police officers.”

RC-17 Yeas: Unanimous - Motion Carried

MOTION: Mr. Hresko moved, seconded by Mr. Lombardo, “To reimburse Vigilant Hose Co. #1 for emergency Lights of the 2006 Silverado in the amount of \$532.84.”

RC-18 Yeas: Unanimous - Motion Carried

MOTION: Mr. Hresko moved, seconded by Mr. Betters, “To ratify Resolution No. 2021-027, slums and blight for vacant and dilapidated structures located within the Borough of Port Vue and whereas such structures constitute a health and safety hazard to residents.”

RC-19 Yeas: Unanimous - Motion Carried

CHAIRMAN OF RECREATION: Mr. Betters reported on new Christmas lighting to replace the old with new LED. He also thanked Brandon Hale and his crew for their assistance with an abandoned boat. The rest of the report was given in the Workshop Meeting.

MOTION: Mr. Betters moved, seconded by Mrs. Thomas, “To approve the official change order request by Elvis Electric in the amount of \$2,680.00 for receptacles and electrical work for the proposed kitchen in the Recreation Center, (which was not part of the original contract), as recommended by Don Glenn Engineering and to be paid from the US Steel Project Fund.”

RC-20 Yeas: Unanimous - Motion Carried

MOTION: Mr. Betters moved, seconded by Mr. Hresko, “To ratify and authorize payment to Sports and Recreation Associates, LLC for (4) 8 foot benches with backs in the amount of \$3,532.80.”

RC-21 Yeas: Unanimous - Motion Carried

MOTION: Mr. Betters moved, seconded by Mr. Lombardo, “To ratify the acceptance of the Recreation Facility and accept the final punch list and conclusions dated September 16, 2021 as recommended by Don Glenn Engineering.”

RC-22 Yeas Unanimous - Motion Carried

MOTION: Mr. Betters moved, seconded by Mrs. Thomas, "To authorize and ratify the proposal from Barrier Protection Systems, Inc. for the Access Control System for the Recreation Facility in the amount of \$3,219.45 from the US Steel Project Fund."

RC-23 Yeas: Unanimous - Motion Carried

MOTION: Mr. Betters moved, seconded by Mr. Lombardo, "To ratify concurring Resolution No. 2021-026, formally requesting CDBG 48 Funding for demolition of 1818 Tacoma Avenue, 1820 Tacoma Avenue, 1706 New York Avenue and 1109 Norwood Avenue."

RC-24 Yeas: Unanimous - Motion Carried

MOTION: Mr. Betters moved, seconded by Mr. Hale, "To ratify the proposal from Allegheny Fence to install the panic bar for the main gate from Recreation Building and Wall in the amount of \$1,080.00 and 10"X10 gate at the basketball court in the amount of \$2,140.00 from the US Steel Project Fund."

RC-25 Yeas: Unanimous - Motion Carried

FINANCE/BUDGET COMMITTEE: Mrs. Thomas gave the September current and delinquent tax report for September 2021. She also said we will be turning over 135 tax liens to Keystone for year 2018. She announced the Finance and Budget committee will start working on the 2022 budget next. She had the following motions:

MOTION: Mrs. Thomas moved, seconded by Mr. Hresko, "To adopt Resolution No. 2021-022, authorizing the payment of bills and wages incurred during the month of September, 2021."

RC-26 Yeas: Unanimous - Motion Carried

MOTION: Mrs. Thomas moved, seconded by Mr. Betters, "To authorize Keystone Collections to file 135 Real Estate Liens for 2018 in the amount of \$8,100.00."

RC-27 Yeas: Unanimous - Motion Carried

MOTION: Mrs. Thomas moved, seconded by Mr. Hresko, "To ratify concurring Resolution No. 2021-023, authorizing the filing of an application by Steel Rivers Council of Governments for funding for street reconstruction with the Redevelopment Authority of Allegheny County in the amount of \$306,724.00 from the Gaming Economic Tourism Fund."

RC-28 Yeas: Unanimous - Motion Carried

MOTION: Mrs. Thomas moved, seconded by Mr. Hale, "To ratify concurring Resolution No. 2021-024, authorizing the filing of an application by Steel Rivers Council of Governments for funding for blight remediation/demolition with the Redevelopment

Authority of Allegheny County in the amount of \$168,000.00 from the Gaming Economic Tourism Fund.”

RC-29 Yeas: Unanimous - Motion Carried

MOTION: Mrs. Thomas moved, seconded by Mr. Hresko, “To adopt Ordinance No. 2021-643, an Ordinance of the Borough of Port Vue, County of Allegheny, Commonwealth, of Pennsylvania authorizing the President of Council on behalf of the Borough of Port Vue to enter into an inter-governmental cooperation agreement or agreements with other participating municipalities and taxing jurisdictions of Allegheny County for the purpose of joining the Tri-COG Land Bank.”

RC-30 Yeas: Unanimous - Motion Carried

MOTION: Mrs. Thomas moved, seconded by Mr. Hresko, “To ratify concurring Resolution No. 2021-028, formally requesting CDBG 48 funding for street reconstruction of Crossland Avenue, Block and Dover Alley.”

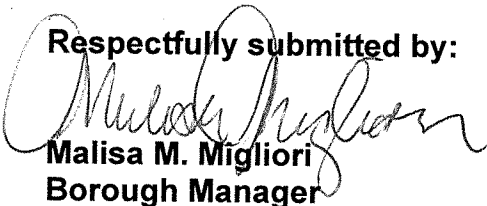
RC-31 Yeas: Unanimous - Motion Carried

MOTION: Mr. Hresko moved, seconded by Mrs. Thomas, “To adopt Ordinance # 2021-643, an ordinance of the Borough of Port Vue, County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania authorizing the President of Council on behalf of the Borough of Port vue to enter into an intergovernmental agreement cooperation agreement or agreements with other participating municipalities and taxing jurisdictions of Allegheny County for the purpose of joining the TRI-Cog land bank.


Mr. Tortorice thanked everyone for attending the meeting. He also asked if anyone who’s interested in working on election day to be a poll worker to contact Malisa in the office. He said the County is looking for people to work the polls and judge of elections. He asked Council to get their wish list together for the budget. He also thanked Bob Better for doing a great job with recreation and we’ll be setting a date next month for the official grand opening.

MOTION: Mr. Lombardo moved, seconded by Mr. Better, “Motion to Adjourn.”

Respectfully submitted by:


Malisa M. Migliori
Borough Manager

Approved by:


Mark D. Tortorice
President of Council