

REGULAR MEETING OF McKEAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the McKean Borough Council was called to order on November 13, 2023, 6:00 p.m., by President Dolores Oblinski as previously advertised.

ROLL CALL

Members Present were Dolores Oblinski, Rose Scouten, Lance A. Aylsworth, Joe Cimino, Eric Morgan, Mayor Weslee Clapper-Krepps and Secretary Teri Dillen.

CITIZEN COMMENT –Ron Bole of 9696 Old 99, addressed Council about his ongoing concerns with the McKean Hose Co. He submitted a letter to Council to consider. Ron is adamant that as it is the responsibility of McKean Borough and Township to ensure the safety of Residents, both municipalities must get involved to solve the issues he expresses in his letter. Council will read the submitted letter for consideration. Current by-laws for McKean Hose Company are filed in the Borough office, and Rose Scouten explained the ongoing effort three local fire departments have been addressing at monthly meetings, which she has attended. The departments are: McKean Hose Co., Edinboro Fire Department and Franklin Fire Department.

MINUTES

Eric Morgan moved to approve minutes of the October 9, 2023 regular meeting, second by Rose Scouten, and passed by majority vote with Joe Cimino abstaining.

TREASURER REPORT

Lance Aylsworth moved to approve Treasurer's Report of October 31, 2023 subject to audit, second by Rose Scouten and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

Eric Morgan moved to approve payment of bills from the Listing of Bills November 2023, second by Lance Aylsworth and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

CORRESPONDENCE

- Commonwealth of PA Dept. of Auditor General-Liquids Fuels Audit 2023-filed
- McKean Hose Company-Minutes & Financials for October 2023-Noted
- Middleborough Authority Minutes/Treasurer Report September 2023-Noted
- PSAB Update-noted

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES AND MAYOR

Roads-Pedestrian Crossing signs will be installed at the Elementary School crosswalk. Teri will call PA One Call.

Ways and Means-Snowflake lights on Nov. 12. Rose and Teri attended a grant meeting with Tom Maggio from ECGRA, and Brenda and Chuck from Edinboro. Two of the grants available have the ability to improve the look of Main Street and the Borough in general.

Finance-\$973.63 interest earned in October.

Mayor-Conference attendance update.

Zoning-5015 Hamot Road, new address.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Eric Morgan moved to pay the agreed 8% of one IRT employee for 2022 the amount of \$1661.02, after review of letters from Heather Courson (Treasurer) with reported wages for 2022, and McKean Township Supervisor letter stating their payment of \$20,762.75 (92%), second by Lance Aylsworth and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

Eric Morgan moved to advertise that the proposed 2024 Budget is available for public inspection and that the proposed 2024 Budget shall be considered for final adoption at the Council Meeting scheduled on December 11, 2023, second by Lance Aylsworth, and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

NEW BUSINESS

Lance Aylsworth moved to approve the lease agreement between County of Erie and McKean Borough for lease of office for District Justice Stuck-Lewis for years 2024-2029 at agreed upon monthly/yearly rate noted in agreement, second by Rose Scouten and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

Rose Scouten moved to approve the LEWSCO Snowplowing estimate for the 2023-24 season at a cost of \$49.00 per service, second by Lance Aylsworth and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Brian Cooper updated Borough Council on the application for another grant for the pedestrian bridge connecting REC Park and the property adjoining the soccer fields and McKean Elementary School. REC Park installed 24-hour security cameras to deter vandalism that is on the rise in the area. REC Park is closed for the season.

Eric Morgan moved to adjourn at 6:55 p.m., second by Lance Aylsworth with no objections.

IMPORTANT DATES

Regular Borough Meeting: December 11, 2023, 6:00 p.m.

Regular REC Authority Meeting: (Township Building) December 21, 2023, 6:00 p.m.

Regular Sewer Authority Meeting: December 2023, 7:00 p.m.

BUDGET WORKSHOP

A budget workshop was called to order at 7 p.m. by President Dodi Oblinski as previously advertised and took place at the McKean Borough Municipal Building.

Members present were Dolores Oblinski, Lance A. Aylsworth, Joe Cimino, Eric Morgan, Rose Scouten, Weslee Clapper-Krepps, Mayor and Teri Dillen, Secretary.

The following funds were reviewed: General Fund: \$206,621 Road Fund: \$21,989 as of October 31, 2023

Budget 2024

Revenue to date - \$149,728

Expenditures:

Roads - \$74,650

General Government - \$39,612

Ways and Means - \$23,520

Total Budget - \$137,782

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – None

ADJOURNMENT- With no objections the Budget Workshop adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Teri Dillen, Treasurer