

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by Council Vice-President Ekiert

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

X Ruffolo	X Nolan
X Lechlitter	
X Sokolowski	X Solicitor
X Ekiert	X Engineer
X Howard	A Tax Collector
A Ferrainolo	X Manager/Secretary

#### PETITIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

- None
- On Motion of Nolan and Ruffolo to approve the minutes.

Roll Call-Unanimous

#### REPORT OF OFFICERS

#### MAYOR REPORT

- No report.

#### SECRETARY & REFUSE REPORT

- Reports on file.

#### SOLICITOR

- There are a couple of motions on the agenda: Police Pension fund contribution for 2023, yearly resolution recognizing local government, Resolution implementing Act 57 of 2022 regarding late fee on taxes. Ordinance No. 967 revising Salaries and Wages, Resolution No. 968, Levying and assessing Borough taxes for 2023, Resolution No. 969, setting sewage rates for 2023.
- Sent letter by email to County Hauling regarding acceptance of 2<sup>nd</sup> option year of contract.

#### • ENGINEER

- CD-47 Street Reconstruction- Spoke with Shane Lawson and they will begin water line work for WPJWA in 2-3 weeks. Will still have to confirm El Grande original bid price for the paving is still valid.
- Ice Plant Hill Drainage Problem- CD48 and LSA grant for this project. Also submitted a GEDTF grant application and working on Small Water & Sewer grant application due December 21<sup>st</sup>. Waiting for survey to finish design work.
- East Field Wall – Received grant in the amount of \$40,000.00 to rebuild a section of the stone retaining wall along McClure alley. We are now planning to repair the wall instead of

- Rebuilding. Bids will be opened on December 6<sup>th</sup>.
- Submitted a DCNR grant for the East Field Walking trail on October 27, 2022.
- The 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue Storm Sewer project is complete.
- CD-48 award of \$28,018.40 for street reconstruction for the following streets: Mobile, Broadway and Upsala. Ready for projects to be put out to bid once contracts are submitted from the County.
- Pre-applications for CD-49 are due at the TCVCOG on September 16<sup>th</sup> and the following projects have been submitted: Demolition – 1106 Melrose and 320 Mystic. Street Reconstruction – Woodmont, Carson and Largo.
- 2022 Demolition project – Minniefield plans to complete this work by the end of the month. For the following properties: 614 Mobile, 389 Lincoln Hwy. and 725 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue. At a cost of \$ 43,400.00.
- Discussion regarding Ice Plant Hill Project.

#### TAX COLLECTOR

- Report on file.
- On Motion of Nolan and Sokolowski to Approve the Report of the Officers.  
Roll Call-Unanimous

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

##### POLICE SERVICES

- Motion on agenda to approve and accept MOU between Council and the Police Department.

##### FIRE AND EMS SERVICES

- No Report

##### PUBLIC WORKS

- No Report

##### CODE ENFORCEMENT & PROPERTY MAINTENANCE

- Report is on file. Want to meet with new code officer.

##### COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

- No Report

##### RECREATION

- No Christmas event but definitely an Easter egg hunt.
- On Motion of Ruffolo and Lechliter to Accept the Committee Reports.  
Roll Call-Unanimous

NEW BUSINESS

- On Motion of Nolan and Sokolowski to enact Resolution No. 15-22, A Resolution of the Council of the Borough of East McKeesport, Allegheny County, Pennsylvania Regarding Police Pension Fund Contribution for Calendar Year 2023.

Roll Call-Unanimous

- On Motion of Nolan and Sokolowski to enact Resolution No. 16-22, A Resolution of the Council of the Borough of East McKeesport, Allegheny County, Pennsylvania Recognizing Local Government.

Roll Call-Unanimous

- On Motion of Sokolowski and Lechlitter to enact Resolution No. 17-22, A Resolution of the Borough of East McKeesport, formally requesting CDBG Funds in the amount of \$25,000.00 for Demolition.

Roll Call-Unanimous

- On Motion of Nolan and Ruffolo to enact Resolution No. 18-22, A Resolution of the Borough of East McKeesport, regarding the Demolition Slums and Blight.

Roll Call-Unanimous

- On Motion of Sokolowski and Ruffolo to Ratify Resolution No 19-22, A Resolution of the Borough of East McKeesport, for the application With DCNR for the East Field Walking Trail.

Roll Call-Unanimous

- On Motion of Lechlitter and Ruffolo to enact Resolution No. 20-22, A Resolution of the Borough of East McKeesport, Allegheny County, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Implementing Act 57 of 2022.

Roll Call-Unanimous

- On Motion of Ruffolo and Sokolowski to Approve and Accept the Memorandum of Understanding between East McKeesport Borough Council and the East McKeesport Police Department regarding Addendum to Police Contract Agreement 2021-2023.

Roll Call-Ruffolo-Yes, Lechlitter-Yes, Sokolowski-Yes, Ekiert-Yes, Ferrainolo-Absent,  
Nolan-Yes

Yes-5 No-0 Absent-1

- On Motion of Nolan and Lechlitter to Exercise 2<sup>nd</sup> Option Year of Contract with County Hauling.

Roll Call-Lechlitter-Yes, Sokolowski-Yes, Ekiert-Yes, Ferrainolo-Absent, Nolan-Yes, Ruffolo-Yes

Yes-5 No-0 Absent-1

On Motion of Lechlitter and Ruffolo to Advertise Ordinance No. 967, An Ordinance Revising the Salaries and Wages of Officers and Employees of the Borough of East McKeesport for the Year 2023 and Amending Ordinance No. 962.

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Yes-5 No-0 Absent-1

- On Motion of Ruffolo and Lechliter to Advertise Ordinance No. 968, An Ordinance Replacing Ordinance No. 963, Levying and Assessing Borough Taxes Within the Borough of East McKeesport for General and Specific Borough Purposes for the Fiscal Year 2023.

Roll Call-Ekiert-Yes, Ferrainolo-Absent, Nolan-Yes, Ruffolo-Yes, Lechliter-Yes, Sokolowski-Yes  
Yes-5 No-0 Absent-1

- On Motion of Sokolowski and Ruffolo to Motion to Advertise Ordinance No. 969, An Ordinance of the Borough of East McKeesport Levying and Assessing Sewage Rates and Charges for the Borough of East McKeesport From and After January 1, 2023 And Authorizing and Directing other Action Consistent Therewith.

Roll Call-Nolan-Yes, Ruffolo-Yes, Lechliter-Yes, Sokolowski-Yes, Ekiert-Yes, Ferrainolo-Absent  
Yes-5 No-0 Absent-1

- On Motion of Lechliter and Ruffolo to Advertise Proposed Budget for 2023.

Roll Call-Ruffolo-Yes, Lechliter-Yes, Sokolowski-Yes, Ekiert-Yes, Nolan-Yes, Ferrainolo-Absent  
Yes-5 No-0 Absent-1

- On Motion of Sokolowski and Ruffolo to ratify bills prepaid by the Borough Manager in the amount of \$12,982.09.

Roll Call-Lechliter-Yes, Sokolowski-Yes, Ekiert-Yes, Ferrainolo-Absent, Nolan-Yes, Ruffolo-Yes  
Yes-5 No-0 Absent-1

- On Motion of Lechliter and Ruffolo to pay bills.

Roll Call- Sokolowski-Yes, Ekiert-Yes, Ferrainolo-Absent, Nolan-Yes, Ruffolo-Yes, Lechliter-Yes  
Yes-5 No-0 Absent-1

Emergency Manager- Submitted expenses for conference. Talked with water department and they are waiting for State permits. They plan to replace water tank by end of the year. Will want to evacuate the four houses in the direct vicinity.

Nolan Maurizi spoke about filling the vacant Council seat.

Kids started fire in leaves over by Chicora Street Park. Closing park for winter.  
Chief will be off the remainder of November.

- On Motion of Nolan and Lechliter to Adjourn

Roll Call-Unanimous