REGULAR MEETING OF McKEAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The regular meeting of the McKean Borough Council was called to order on October 14, 2024 by Dodi Oblinski at 6:00 p.m., as previously advertised and took place at the McKean Borough Municipal Building. It was noted the meeting was being recorded.

ROLL CALL

Members present were Dodi Oblinski, Molly Davies, Tony Milano, Eric Morgan, Rose Scouten, Weslee Clapper-Krepps, Mayor, Solicitor Patricia Kennedy and Teri Dillen, Secretary, by phone.

CITIZEN COMMENT – AGENDA-None

MINUTES

Molly Davies moved to approve the minutes of the September 9, 2024 regular meeting, second by Rose Scouten, and passed by majority roll call vote, with Eric Morgan abstaining

TREASURER REPORT

Rose Scouten moved to approve the Treasurer's Report of September 30, 2024 subject to audit, second by Molly Davies and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

Rose Scouten moved to approve the payment of bills from the Listing of Bills October 2024, second by Molly Davies and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

CORRESPONDENCE

- Notice of Estimated Allocation Mun. Liquid Fuels and Turnback 2025-\$14,008.76-Noted
- Dept. of Auditor General-Liquid Fuels Tax Fund Audit-2023-Noted
- 2024 Volunteer Fire Relief Funds Notification \$2598.56-706B filed-Noted
- McKean REC Authority Treasurer's Report & Minutes-Noted
- McKean Hose Co.-Call Report-Noted
- McKean Twp Supervisors-enact Ordinance 3-24 "McKean Township Local Services Tax"-Noted
- SWIF notice/Kulbacki-Noted

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES AND MAYOR

Roads-Lines painted, Colecchia's last year for snowplowing

Ways and Means-None

Finance-Interest on all PLGIT accounts \$1217.75

Mayor–Eric Morgan moved to approve Mayor and Rose attend PSAB dinner Oct. 16, at a cost of \$25/pp & \$20 for a door prize, second by Tony Milano and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

Zoning- Airbnb zoning letter sent, Uses Not Regulated is noted in current ordinance.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS -None

NEW BUSINESS

Rose Scouten moved to approve the 2024 IRT staffing request for \$2537.53, which is based on 11% of Borough and Twp. total population, second by Eric Morgan and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

Rose Scouten moved to approve the West Erie County EMA 2025 Budget as presented, second by Molly Davies and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

Rose Scouten moved to approve the sending of a letter to the City Revitalization and Improvement Zone Authority in support of the Erie Zoo, second by Tony Milano and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

Rose Scouten moved to approve Resolution No. 5-24 and submit an application for Erie County Municipal Infrastructure Gap Funding for streetlight grant, second by Molly Davies and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

RESOLUTION NO: 5-24

A Resolution to Approve the Application for Erie County Municipal Infrastructure Gap Funding Program

WHEREAS, the Federal government through the American Rescue Plan Act legislation allows for a broad range of necessary investments in projects that improve access to clean drinking water, improve wastewater and

stormwater infrastructure systems, provide access to high-quality broadband service, and other infrastructure improvements.

WHEREAS, the Federal government has provided guidance on eligible uses of the funding through the U.S. Department of the Treasury to the County of Erie.

WHEREAS, the County of Erie has provided information to all Erie County municipalities on the activities that are eligible for grant funding and the process to request grant funding.

WHEREAS, McKean Borough has reviewed the Erie County Municipal Infrastructure Gap Funding Program guidelines and completed the application process provided by the County of Erie.

WHEREAS, the McKean Borough Council has reviewed the completed application prior to submission to the County of Erie and finds it to be in good order; and

WHEREAS, the McKean Borough Council agrees to the terms and conditions set forth in the application portal.

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the McKean Borough Council, Erie County, Pennsylvania approves the filing of an application for Erie County Municipal Infrastructure Gap Funding Program.

	ADOPTED this 14th day of October, 2024. McKean Borough Council
ATTEST:	
Teri Dillen, Secretary	

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION-Tim Weaver stated his opinion on the Airbnb that is in operation at 8974 Main Street owned by his brother Mike Weaver. Tim stated it is in the business district, there have been no complaints, and it is highly rated on a national Airbnb rental site. Mr. Weaver's opinion was that permits were not necessary due to the fact that the multi-family dwelling apartment building was in the business district. Also, he stated that Airbnb is not noted in the Borough Zoning Ordinance, therefore short-term rentals as Airbnb's are permitted/allowed. Solicitor Kennedy replied she will look into case law and send a letter as soon as possible.

McKean Twp Supervisor, Brian Cooper noted Township Supervisors increased the Township LST to \$52/year to aid McKean Hose Co., and suggested Borough Council consider doing the same.

Rose Scouten moved to adjourn regular meeting at 6:50 p.m. with no objections for an executive session to discuss legal matters with Solicitor Kennedy.

EXECUTIVE SESSION-Discuss legal matters

Called to order with all Borough Council, Mayor Clapper-Krepps, Solicitor Kennedy, Teri Dillen by phone attending, at 6:55 p.m. and adjourned at 7:20 p.m. with no final actions taken during session.

BUDGET WORKSHOP

Called to order: 7:25 p.m.

Roll Call: Dodi Oblinski, Rose Scouten, Tony Milano, Molly Davies, Teri Dillen by phone, (Eric Morgan left a

copy of Roads proposed budget for 2025)

Proposed 2025 Budget Workshop-Noted preliminary

The following funds were reviewed: General Fund: \$238,776 Road Fund: \$37,996 as of October 31, 2024

Budget 2025

Revenue \$151,080

Expenditures:

Roads \$74,800 General Government \$42,407 Ways and Means \$25,535 **Total Budget** \$142,742

Public Participation-None

Adjourned at 8:02 p.m. with no objections

IMPORTANT DATES

Regular Borough Meeting: November 11, 2024, 6:00 p.m.

Middleboro Sewer Authority Meeting: November 25, 2024, 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Teri Dillen, Secretary