# ALIQUIPPA CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 7, 2021 AT 7:00 PM

Aliquippa Residents, please submit your questions/comments via email to Samuel.gill@aliquippapa.gov anytime during the month prior to the Council meeting

"Solicitor to explain agenda items and request public comment on agenda items only"

# I. OPENING EXCERCISES

- A. Call to Order
- B. Roll Call
- C. Pledge of Allegiance
- D. Opening Prayer

# II. MINUTES

- A. Motion to approve the minutes from the March 3, 2021 regular meeting.
- B. Motion to approve the minutes from the March 31, 2021 work-session meeting.

# III. FISCAL AND CONTRACTUAL

A. Schedule of Bills and Appropriations:

GENERAL FUND MARCH 2021 TOTAL

\$ 748,952.51

# IV. ORDINANCES

# V. RESOLUTIONS

Resolution of No. 1 of 2021 where the City of Aliquippa desires to make an application for grants funds in the amount of \$150,000 under the DCED Keystone Communities Program to clean "The Bricks Site" to market and offer the site for residential housing development. The City need a motion to approve.

# VI. AGENDA ITEMS

- 1. Motion to the City Planning meetings minutes and correspondence submitted by Code Enforcement Officer James Bologna for the March 29, 2021 meeting.
- 2. Motion to approve the letter of support submitted by the Municipal Water Authority of Aliquippa (MWAA) application for a Community Project Funding Request for FY22 Appropriations in the amount of \$15,000,000 for construction of a new Water Treatment Plan.
- 3. Motion to approve a letter of support submitted by Daniel Rossi-Keen of RiverWise, a Beaver County nonprofit agency based in Aliquippa, for Community Project Funding for the Franklin Avenue Park Project.
- 4. Motion to approve purchasing truck route signs for Precision Kidd Steele Truck Route to ameliorate transportation route for vehicles in West Aliquippa. Monies will be reimbursed by Sate Liquid Fuels funding.
- 5. Motion to approve a decision of repairing the High Street or the "High Street Project." Residents in that area has been plagued with water and storm drain issues.
- 6. Just a friendly a reminder of the City of Aliquippa Drive-Thru Recycling Collection to be held Saturday, April 24, 2021 from 10:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. at the Aliquippa Senior-Junior High School campus.
- 7. The City Hall Building is planning to re-open in May. The staff are making the necessary cleaning and maintenance adjustments in accordance with Covid-19 requirements. We will be presenting a plan about meeting (via Zoom and meeting room). Once we are familiar with the social-distance space and other requirements, we will finalize our local requirements.
- 8. Motion to approve the Letter of Intent for a study of regionalizing the fire fighting needs in the southern corridor of Beaver County in alliance with the adjacent community.

9. Motion to approve the repository properties below approved by James Bologna, Code Officer.

<u>Parcel</u>	<u>Name</u>	Address
08-021-0810.000	Yudah Land Dev.	221 6 <sup>th</sup> Avenue
08-021-0809.000	Yudah Land Dev.	219 6 <sup>th</sup> Avenue
08-002-0712.000	Antonio Maxie	532 McKee Avenue
08-042-0405.000	Greg & Karen Wilber	Irwin (Empty Lot)
08-036-0527.000	Robbin Walker	1121 Main Street
08-021-0641.000	Eara Jackson	177 Montini Street
08-010-0203.000	Renegade Pigs Mc	144 Kiehl Street
	Of Pittsburgh, Inc	
08-026-0401.000	Ciera Watson	105 Locust Street
08-021-0602.000	Solden Moreland Jr.	209 McDonald Blvd.
08-014-1105.000	Garrett Wilcox &	
	Shekala Zeiber	415 Sarah Street
08-013-0507.000	Donnie and Scott	
	Humphries	540 Sheffield Avenue
08-021-0515.000	Taylor Abercrombie	173 Monroe Street

# VII. <u>NEW BUSINESS</u>

# VIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- 1. Samuel L. Gill City Administrator
- 2. Donald C. Walker III- Director of Accounts & Finances
- 3. Director of Streets and Public Improvements
- 4. Arthur Piroli Jr. Director of Public Safety
- 5. Jennifer Milliner Director of Parks & Recreation
- 6. Dwan Walker Director of Public Affairs
- 7. Myron Sainovich Solicitor
- 8. John Lane Chief of Police Bureau
- 9. David Foringer Chief of Fire Bureau
- 10. Alex Scott Street Superintendent
- 11. Jim Bologna Code Enforcement/Zoning Officer
- 12. Ron Rizzo Engineer, R.A.R. Engineering Group, Inc.

# VIII. PUBLIC COMMENTS

# IX ADJOURNMENT

## MINUTES

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALIQUIPPA MET IN A REGULAR MEETING COUNCIL SESSION ON WEDNESDAY MARCH 3, 2021 AT 7:10 P.M. AT THE CITY MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 581 FRANKLIN AVENUE, ALIQUIPPA, PENNSYLVANIA 15001.

# **CALL TO ORDER:**

MAYOR WALKER CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER.

PRESENT	ABSENT
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## **MINUTES:**

MOTION BY ART PIROLI AND SECONDED BY MAYOR WALKER TO APPROVE THE REGULAR MEETING MINUTES FROM THE MEETING ON FEBRAURY 3, 2021. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION BY DONALD WALKER AND SECONDED BY ART PIROLI TO APPROVE WORK SESSION MINUTES FROM THE MEETING ON FEBRUARY 24, 2021. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

#### FISCAL

A MOTION WAS MADE BY A ROLL CALL VOTE AUTHORIZING AND INSTRUCTING THE FINANCE OFFICER TO PAY THE BILLS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$627,702.70 FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY 2021

## MOTION MADE BY WAY OF A ROLL CALL VOTE:

JENNIFER MILLINER (ABSENT)	
DONALD C. WALKER, III X	
ARTHUR PIROLI X	
MAYOR DWAN WALKER X	

# **ORDINANCES**

#### **AGENDA ITEMS**

- A. MOTION BY DONALD WALKER AND SECONDED BY ART PIROLI TO APPROVE THE BEAVER COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) REQUEST FOR (1) \$100,000 FOR THE PLAN 11 THIRD AVENUE PLAYGROUND PROJECT, (2) \$75,000 ROAD PAVEMENT PROJECTS AND (3) \$75,000 FOR STORM WATER DRAINS TO SUBMIT APPLICATIONS FOR FY 2021 FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES PROJECTS. THE DEADLINES FOR THE GRANTS ARE 4:00 P.M., WEDNESDAY, MARCH 31, 2021. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
- B. THE CITY COUNCIL APPROVED TO MERGE THE THE CIVIL SERVICES BOARDS TO ONE, ALIQUIPPA CIVIL SERVICE BOARD, WITH 3 MEMBERS AND 2 ATLERNATES. THE BOARD WILL MEET TO DISCUSS FURTHER PLANS.
- C. MOTION BY ART PIROLI AND SECONDED BY MAYOR WALKER TO APPROVE ADVERTISEMENT FOR CROSSING GUARDS.
- D. MOTION BY MAYOR WALKER AND DONALD WALKER THAT CITY COUNCIL POST CITY COUNCIL ORDINANCE 1 OF 2021-DISCRIMINATION ORDINANCE. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUISLY.
- E. MOTION BY DONALD WALKER AND SECONDED BY ART PIROLI TO APPROVE THE REPOSITORY PROPERTIES BELOW APPROVED BY JAMES BOLOGNA, CODE OFFICER. MOTIONED CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Parcel 08-040-0702.000, Tyler Street lot, Tariq Taliaferro Parcel 08-038-0408.000, 1216 Main Street, Lori Redden Parcel 08-033-0620.000, 1047 Irwin Street, Innocense Ross Parcel 08-026-0717.000-01-1, 1140 Franklin Ave, Lorie Willis Parcel 08-020-0261.000-01-1, 90 6th Ave., Angel Lebherz Parcel 08-020-0260.000-01-1, 98 6th Ave, Angela Lebherz Parcel 08-020-0259.000-01-1, 100 6th Ave. Angela Lebherz Parcel 08-036-0106.000, 1301 Meadow Street, Darrell Alston Parcel 08-009-0215.000, Empty lot, Bastian Parker-Welborn

# **NEW BUSINESS**

1. SAMUEL L. GILL: CITY ADMINISTRATOR

I MET WITH THE SENIOR STAFF FEBRUARY 21<sup>ST</sup> IN DISCUSSING ABOUT MANAGERIAL ISSUES, LINE ITEM BUDGETS, CAPITAL AND BUILDING IMPROVEMENTS, PERSONNEL ISSUES AND HEALTH AND SAFETY. I HAVE BEEN WORKING WITH THE VARIOUS ORGANIZATIONS AND COMMITTESS THAT ARE INVOLVED IN CITY ACTIVITIES. WE MET WITH MEMBERS OF THE CIVIL SERVICES

BOARD. WE PARTICIPATING IN A PROGRAM TO RECRUIT A INTERN THROUGH THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACADEMY.

## 2. DONALD C. WALKER, III: DIRECTOR OF ACCOUNTS & FINANCES

HE DISCUSSED ABOUT THE REAL ESTATE TAXES COLLECTIONS THIS YEAR. WE ARE A LITTLE LOWER THAN LAST YEARS COLLECTIONS.

#### 3. STREETS AND PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS-ALEX SCOTT

(SEE ALEX REPORT)

## 4. ARTHUR J. PIROLI, JR.: PUBLIC SAFETY

ART WILL BEGAN ARRANGING MEETING WITH THE CHIEF.

#### 5. PARKS AND RECREATION-JENNIFER MILLINER

THERE WILL BE A EASTER EGG HUNT ON SATURDAY, APRIL 3, 2021. THE CITY WILL BE PARTNERING WITH THE FADC. COUNCILMAN WALKER STATED MRS MILLINER WILL BE REVIEWING THE CITY PLAYGROUNDS. THEY NEED MORE CANDY FOR THE EASTER EGG HUNT.

# 6. MAYOR DWAN WALKER: PUBLIC AFFAIRS

HE MENTIONED ABOUT THE ALPR PROGAM FOR CAMERAS THROUGH OUT THE CITY. AS EVERYONE IS AWARE, IT WAS DISCUSSED ON THE LOCAL TV NETWORK. THERE WILL BE A FOOD DROP AT MT. CARMEL ON FRIDAY, MARCH 19<sup>TH</sup> FROM 12:00 P.M. TO 2:00 P.M. HE WILL BE MEETING WITH THE GOVERNOR'S HEALTH STAFF ABOUT GETTING VACCINATIONS FOR RESIDENTS OF THE CITY WHO WOULD LIKE TO GET ONE. HE IS WORKING WITH COMMUNITY CHURCHES WHO WOULD LIKE TO SERVE AS A LOCATION. HE HAD MET ON A CONFERENCE CALL ABOUT STATE FUNDS FOR THE WEST END. HE SPOKE ABOUT THE WATER AUTHORITY BREAKING GROUND FOR THE NEW TREATMENT PLANT AND THE NEW DOLLAR GENERAL BEING BUILT.

#### **MYRON SAINOVICH: SOLICITOR**

HE WOULD LIKE TO MEET WITH MAYOR AND MYSELF ON FRIDAY ABOUT SOME PERSONNEL MATTERS, UPDATE OUTSTANDING LITIGATION MATTERS AND PENSIONS ISSUES. HE WOULD LIKE TO THANK EVERYONE FOR THEIR SUPPORT DURING HIS FAMILY BEREAVEMENT.

## 7. OFFICER CHIEF JOHN LANE: CHIEF OF POLICE BUREAU

**REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY 2021** 

845 CALLS FOR SERVICE 22 INCIDENT REPORTS 31 TRAFFIC CITATIONS 3 TRAFFIC CITATIONS

5 K-9 ISSUES

THE DEPARTMENTS AND K-9 UNIT CONTINUE TO PARTICIPATE IN ONLINE TRAINING. THEY JUST COMPLETED THE 8 CAMERAS FOR THE LPR PROGRAM.

CAMERAS HAS BEEN PLACED AT THE STONE ARCH AREA AND FIRE DEPARTMENT. OTHER CAMERAS ARE BEING PLACED IN SRATEGIC AREAS. HE MET WITH THE MAYOR ABOUT CAMERAS BEING PLACED IN THE HOUSING PROJECTS.

## 8. DAVID FORINGER: CHIEF OF FIRE BUREAU

REPORT FOR FEBRUARY 2021, 95 CALLS TO SERVICE AND 2 STRUCTURE FIRES AND 2 MOTOR VEHICLE INCIDENTS. THEY HAD FATAL FIRE IN CENTER TOWNSHIP AND OUR FIRE DEPARTMENT WERE FIRST TO THE FIRE SCENE. THEY ARE TAKING PART IN AN ACTIVE SHTOOTERS TRAINING FOR EMS ALONG WITH CENTER TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT. THE CHIEF IS ASSISTING THE DOWNTOWN ORGANIZATION IN THE EASTER EGG HUNT.

# 9. ALEXANDER SCOTT: STREET SUPERINTENDENT

WITH THE WEATHER BREAKING, THEY WILL BE DOING MORE ROAD REPAIRS AND CITY GARBAGE CLEAN UP. THEY COLLECTED OVER 60 TONS OF GARBAGE SO FAR. HE STAFF WILL BECOME MORE VISIBLE.

## 10. JAMES BOLOGNA: CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER/ZONE OFFICER

PERMTS FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER: (REPORT IN PACKET)

8 RESIDENTIAL OCCUPANCY INSPECTIONS
1 DEMOLITION PERMIT
1 FENCE PERMIT
1 UCC OCCUPANCY INSPECTIONS

THERE WILL BE MEETING ON 02/18/2021 AT 7:00 P.M. FEBRUARY 18, 2021 IN PERSON AT THE CITY BUILDING. HRG PRESENTED THE NEW ZONING MAP AND ORDINANCE FOR COMMEMNTS BEFORE FINALIZING. THE STEERING COMMITTEE, ALONG WTH THE ZONING BOARD IS PREPARING TO FINALIZE THE MAP AND ORDINANCE. THIS WOULD BE THE UPDATING OF THE SALDO.

# 11. RON RIZZO, R.A.R. ENGINEERING

HE HAS BEEN ASSISTING THE COUNCIL AND ADMINISTRATION ON VARIOUS TOPICS. HE ATTENDED THE ZONING MEETING AND ZOOM FOLLOW-UP MEETING. HE HAS BEEN WORKING ON THE HAZARDOUS MITIGATION MEETING WITH THE COUNTY AND WILL BE REACHING OUT TO THE CITY IN ASSISTING FOR THE ROUTE 51 PROJECT THAT WA DISCUSSED.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

## **ADJOURNMENT:**

MOTION TO ADJOURN BY DONALD WALKER AND SECONDED BY ART PIROLI TO ADJOURN THE MEETING.

**CITY OF ALIQUIPPA**