

MINUTES – KOPPEL BOROUGH WORKING MEETING

September 3, 2024 – 6:00 PM

Municipal Building

PRESENT

Mayor – Athena Pangikas-Miller

President – Absent

Vice President – Jeff Dengler

Anna Marie Plavecsky

Brett Plavecsky

Rich Serge

Susan Krawchyk

Police Sergeant Squicquero

GUESTS PRESENT

Skye Cider

MOTIONS

- A motion was made to put a “No Vehicles Permitted” sign at the park on Route 18. All in favor and all approved.
- A motion was made to purchase Halloween candy not to exceed \$300. All in favor and all approved.
- A motion was made to open the agenda to discuss an emergency purchase of a printer. All in favor and all approved.
- A motion was made to purchase a new printer for the Borough building for \$1,000. All in favor and all approved.
- A motion was made to open the agenda to discuss the authorization to pay a bill for the fire department. All in favor and all approved.
- A motion was made to pay a bill for the fire department **if necessary**. All in favor and all approved.

GENERAL DISCUSSION

- Cindy Chartrand discussed the Hero Hogs Run held on August 23. She was disappointed because she didn’t know about the corn-hole benefit being held at McDowells on the same day. She was hoping more families from town would have attended. However, she was happy that it was a decent turnout for the first time. She believes that it will be much bigger next year. The total donation to split between the police and fire departments was \$1,185.80. Cindy met with McDowells and apologized for not knowing about their event. They decided to work together next year so that the events will not be held on the same date. Many thanks to Cindy and Alan for everything.
- Councilwoman Anna Marie Plavecsky reached out to PennDOT to see if they can place two “No Littering” signs. They approved the signs and there is no charge to the Borough. One will be placed around Norwood Drive and the other one near Ida Street.
- The timeframe for building the Pavilion at the park was discussed. Details to follow.
- The swing set was ordered from Recreation Resource for \$24,835.00 and should be installed by the end of October.
- The Little Free Pantry should be installed in the next few weeks at the Borough office.
- Council members are reaching out to local businesses for possible donations for the park. Details to follow.

- The potential of planting a community food garden next spring at the Borough building was discussed. Details to follow.
- Mission Co, in conjunction with North Way Sewickley, to host a fall Community Day on October 26th. Playground grand opening to follow with Hide and Seek with the Police Dept. Light refreshments will be served and expenses will come from the recreation fund. More details to follow.
- The bleachers at the ballfield are in really bad shape. Council discussed possible ways to fix/replace them.
- Trick or Trick is tentatively scheduled for Halloween, October 31st. Requesting to shift the trick or treat times **from 6-8 PM to 7-9 PM**, with a Halloween parade to commence along 6th Avenue at 6 PM. Fire Dept and Police Dept will escort the parade. There may be horses in the parade also if waivers can be signed.
- Spooky jail to return for the 3rd year. Call for volunteers or donors to purchase or make and set up decorations.
- 2nd Annual Halloween Decorating Contest will be held. Prize will be a \$100 gift card.
- Council requested that another newsletter be sent out. Many residents said they enjoyed the newsletter.
- Sergeant Squicquero said the side door of the church looks like it has been pried open and needs to be boarded up.
- Councilman Serge suggested that some items from the church, such as windows, doors, etc. could be sold to help pay for the park.
- The permitting process for building anything at the park was discussed. Council will look into exactly what needs to be done.
- Brittany Rahl, previous Treasurer for the Fire Dept, worked with their bank to get the equipment payment paid.

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 pm