<u>COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES</u> <u>OF</u> July 29, 2024

The Rockledge Borough Council met at 7:00 p.m. on July 29, 2024, at the Rockledge Borough Hall. After the prayer and Pledge of Allegiance, the roll was called as follows:

In Attendance: Mr. Enderle, Mr. Menniti, Mr. Sheppard, Mr. Clarke, Mr. Creedon, Mr. Boyle, and Mayor Caffrey.

<u>Acceptance of the Minutes:</u> Motion to adopt the minutes from the June 24, 2024. All were in favor.

Council met prior to the meeting for an executive session regarding a personnel item.

Law and Planning: Mr. Enderle made a motion to accept the monthly building inspector's report. All were in favor.

Mr. Enderle wanted to discuss dedicating a portion of Huntingdon Pike as a Memorial highway for Mr. Boehm, a resident of Rockledge, who was a World War II veteran and just passed away at the age of ninety-nine. All were in favor for it and Mr. Caffrey will move forward.

There was a discussion regarding parking on S. Central Avenue on the Cemetery's property. Mr. Enderle will talk to Mr. Crawford at Lawnview Cemetery about this.

<u>Finance:</u> Mr. Enderle made a motion to accept the monthly bills, Tax Collector's, previous months check detail report and Treasurer's report. All were in favor.

Monthly Bills – July 2024

General Fund	-	\$ 151,220.27
Highway Aid	-	\$ 1,969.08
Capital Reserve	-	\$ 555.92
Police Pension Fund	-	\$ 588.73

Check Detail – June 2024

General Fund	-	\$ 4,604.01
Highway Aid	-	\$ 0
Capital Reserve	-	\$ 65.68
Police Pension Fund	-	\$ 0

<u>Public Service:</u> Mr. Creedon wanted to thank the Rockledge Fall Festival and Car Show for their donation to Movie Night.

<u>Public Safety:</u> Mr. Boyle made a motion to accept the Polic, Fire Marshal, and Fire Company reports. All were in favor.

Town Watch: None

Mayor Caffrey advised that the Town Watch members were thankful for their new car decals.

Mr. Clarke – Firehouse – they had a fire two weeks ago – a house was struck by lightning.

Chief Gallagher:

- Thank you to everyone involved. Had a great Movie Night.
- Great 4th of July Parade no issues. Thank you to everyone involved. Gearing up for the Fall Festival and Car Show.
- The Chief gave an update on year-to-date numbers.

He wanted to thank everyone for the accolades to the police department. They appreciate it.

<u>Public Works/Property:</u> Mr. Sheppard made a motion to accept the Streets Opening Report and the Streets Department Monthly Report. All were in favor.

- Everything is going well.
- The American Flags were removed from the poles and will be put back up by Labor Day
- We have received 4 more Hometown Hero Banners and there are two more in production.

Mr. Menniti wanted to know why we did not do Flower Baskets this year. Mr. Poster advised he was concerned about the weight of the baskets on one side of the streetlight arm. Mr. Sheppard advised that last year people were complaining about the baskets covering their loved-ones Hometown Banners. Mr. Poster mentioned that he will look into some type of concrete flowerpots that could be placed on the pike at different spots along the pike.

Parks & Recreation Mr. Menniti mentioned the following:

- Thank you to this year's camp counselors and Mr. Poster for a great summer camp. Mr. Poster wanted to thank Mr. Menniti for the kind words and Mr. Poster would like to thank all the Counselors, especially, Maddie Slavin and Allison Kehoe.
- The Fourth of July Association for a fantastic parade and games
- The Fall Festival and Car Show will be on September 15, 2024.

Mr. Menniti wanted to read off information from Mrs. Brenda Corey, Fourth of July Association, President:

- Thank you to everyone involved in the 92nd Parade.
- Thank you to:

- Mayor Caffrey, Chief Gallagher, Police Department, Fire Department, Bryan Poster, Mike Hess and his crew, and Borough Council.
- They are in the process of planning for the 93rd Parade in 2025. Please stop by their table at the Fall Festival and Car Show.
- Registration for the golf outing will be available on August 1, 2024. The outing is at Byrne's golf course on Saturday, September 28, 2024, at 1:00 pm and is \$120.00 per golfer.

Mr. Menniti advised that they had their first Fall Festival and Car Show meeting and everything is moving along. Mr. Poster was there and had some great ideas. The Fall Festival and Car Show is on September 15.

** Correction: The Newsletter said September 8, but the correct date is September 15, 2024 **

Mrs. Paulus, 117 Borbeck Street wanted to know how many kids were at summer camp. Mr. Poster advised that it varied day to day but there were days there were fifty kids. On the hot days they came to borough hall at noon – had lunch and then were able to play in the gym from 1pm to 3:00 pm.

Mayor Caffrey mentioned putting a slip and slide down the hill. Mr. Menniti advised that the counselors have that one day.

Mr. Enderle thanked Mr. Poster and Mr. Menniti for taking the lead on summer camp.

Human Resources: Mr. Clarke made a motion to hire three full-time officers on completion of Civil Service. All were in favor.

Manager's Report:

Manager's Report June:

Upcoming Meetings & Events:

On Tuesday, June 25th I met with Councilman Dave Sheppard and contractor regarding a project for installing a new salt building at the Public Works building location.

On July 3rd, I hosted a BBQ lunch for Summer Camp. I got to cook hamburgers and hot dogs for the campers and counselors. I recruited Councilman Tom Briggman who was stopping by to see his granddaughter and ended up being a server. Thanks Tom and summer camp, I had a great time!

On Wednesday, July 10th I met with the Fox Chase Cancer Center building manager to start negotiations for a new contract.

Friday, July 19th I attended a meet and greet with the Montgomery County Commissioners and other municipal managers to discuss the needs of individual municipalities and how can the county assist.

Tuesday, July 23rd attended a special Planning Commission Meeting that included two future Zoning Hearing applicants and a discussion with residents on Jarrett Park.

Friday, July 26th was the last day of summer camp. The campers enjoyed an ice cream party in the afternoon. Thank you to Councilman Menniti for your support and thank you to my Head Counselor, Alli Kehoe and Assistant, Maddie Slavin for all of their hard work they did preparing camp for the summer.

We will be trimming some trees in Jarrett Park after the strong storms that came through a week or so ago. Upcoming Meetings & Events:

August 1st I will be attending the Montgomery County Consortium monthly meeting.

We will continue to work on Jarrett Park and will have another resident meeting sometime in September.

We will continue to work on Mill Park. We have started another paver campaign and have already received a few applicants. Contractors will be confirmed within the next week or so.

Public Comment:

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully submitted, Joyce Hines Borough Clerk