

MONACA BOROUGH
Meeting Minutes
August 27th, 2019 at 7:03pm

The Regular Meeting of the Monaca Borough Council was held on the above date and time. The Meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Roll Call

Mr. Snyder- absent	Mr. Rebich- absent
Mrs. Majors - present (Vacant)	Mr. Blanarik- present
Mr. LaPearle- present	Mr. Michel- absent
Mr. Wilson- present	VP Shotter - present
	President Booher- present

Others

Mayor Simon Short-**absent**; Mario N. Leone, Jr; Rich Urick, Esq.;

Proclamation of Recognition: At this time the gavel was passed to Vice President Shotter. VP. Shotter proudly read the Proclamation in honor of Adin Curtis Bender for achieving his Eagle Scout Badge by building 2 Gaga Ball pits at Antoline Park.

President Booher **motioned** to approve a Proclamation of Recognition for Adin Curtis Bender. Second by Mr. Blanarik. Motion carried unanimously.

Vice President Shotter walked up to Adin and handed him the certificate. He accepted the certificate while his Parents and all in attendance gave him a well-deserved round of applause. Adin then approached council and thanked them with a few encouraging words of his accomplishment. He handed the Gaga Ball Pits over to the Borough along with three Gaga Balls he donated as well. VP Shotter and Adin stood by the Flag while holding the Gaga balls and took a couple photos for the borough website. Adin then shook each one of council's hands including Borough Manager Mr. Leone expressing his gratitude for his recognition. Adin was dismissed at this time.

Engineers Report- Borough Engineer Tony Sadaka gave his report.

SGA Consultant- Sean Garrigan was present to give a briefing of the dry utilities for Monaca Streetscape project. He began by handing out a packet to each council member of the updated information regarding dry utilities. After he concluded, Council went around the room and asked Sean questions and discussed where they stand on the project. It was also discussed who is the main person in charge of the project. At this time SGA and Mr. Leone have the reins but it was asked that Widmer Engineer Tony Sadaka (who was in the audience) to possibly be the main person who oversees the project and all its entirety being that he is at the meetings twice a month and can update them accordingly. More was discussed between all about who should be in charge. Mr. Wilson also suggested SGA to get together a master schedule for council to review. Grant monies and funds were debated and discussed along with timeframe of the waterline replacement down the main corridor. Mr. Leone stated their target date is sometime in November which will determine if they have money to move forward. He suggested to set up a meeting with Duquesne Light for some conversation in regards to a utility clean up on the one side to get that dialog started, get a reaction and go from there. It was discussed who will be attending that meeting. They suggested Penn Dot and Shell representatives also be present during that meeting. Sean also elaborated the amount of the project and that the borough is responsible for \$3.3 million, and the estimated value SGA is placing on DLC and what they would be responsible for is around \$650,000-\$700,000. Mr. LaPearle wanted to confirm that these numbers were for the entire project. Sean said yes they are. Mr. Wilson also asked for a breakdown of money allocated and for what street the money can be applied for. VP Shotter added that he would also like a master schedule of each phase by this November to have a path that will lead to how they proceed going forward with the Waterline Project, Dry Utilities for Streetscape project. President Booher thanked Sean for coming. Sean dismissed himself from the meeting at 8:15pm.

Visitors- None

Communications- None

Minutes- Mr. Blanarik **motioned** to approve the **Work Shop Meeting Minutes of August 6th, 2019**. Second by Mrs. Majors. Motion carried unanimously.

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-Mr. LaPearle **motioned** to approve the **Work Shop Meeting Minutes of August 20th, 2019**. Second by Mr. Wilson. Motion carried unanimously.

Fiscal and Contractual- VP Shotter **motioned** to approve the monthly bills. Second by Mr. Blararik. Motion carried unanimously.

Managers' Report- Mr. Leone gave his report. He announced the 6th Street waterline project was completed that day. He touched base on the details and referred to Road Foreman Jake Iorio's cost breakdown of the Waterline replacement on Elmira Street. VP Shotter asked specifics about the patch work that will be done. Mr. Leone answered accordingly. He also confirmed that residents on that street will be notified of the work being done before the project is started. VP Shotter also asked if, during the work, they would happen to run into lead lines what would be the legal steps in notifying the residents. Solicitor Urick and Engineer Tony Sadaka explained the legal aspect and what the Borough's requirements are. Mr. Leone also brought up the Borough Ordinance states that property owners own up to the main line so they would be responsible for their line. But if the Borough would know before hand, then he said Solicitor Urick would have to step in. More was discussed about responsibility and the correct thing the Borough should do so it won't become an issue down the road, mainly to preserve the road. Mr. Leone also mentioned a CED meeting they had that day in regards to parking on Borough Properties. And he let Solicitor Urick explain in his report.

Borough Solicitors Report- Solicitor Urick continued saying they met with the CED in the state of a change in leadership. He states the Borough needs to get them a letter with a set of terms, which he will get out next week. Next, he announced they have an assessment appeal hearing September 16th for one of the most recent properties the Borough has acquired. Mr. Leone will appear with him there. Lastly, he is still in search of the title that he was requested to get by council for a certain property, he will keep them posted.

New Business:

1. VP Shotter **motioned** to adopt Ordinance No. 964 Amending the Borough's Non-Uniform Pension Plan. Second by Mr. Blararik. Motion carried unanimously.
2. VP Shotter **motioned** to adopt Ordinance No. 965 Street Opening Ordinance. Second by Mr. LaPearle. Motion carried unanimously. VP Shotter posed a couple questions directed specifically toward Solicitor Urick pertaining to road work that was conducted in the heights that is still an ongoing project with the gas company. He asked now that the Ordinance has been adopted, won't the gas company have to follow through. He asked that Mr. Leone schedule a meeting with Columbia Gas to discuss road restoration from their project and how the Ordinance will tie into the specifics of the work that will be conducted. Solicitor Urick confirmed they will have to follow the guidelines in the Ordinance.
3. Mr. Wilson **motioned** to approve Monaca #4 Fire Department's 7th annual "Stop, Drop & Run 5k Race". Second by Mrs. Majors. Motion carried unanimously.
4. (previously discussed in the Manager's Report) VP Shotter **motioned** to approve the Waterline Project for Elmira Street at an estimated cost of \$15,000.00. Second by Mr. Blararik. President Booher asked the audience three times if they had any questions or concerns. There were none. Motion carried unanimously.

Citizens: None

Announcements: Mr. Blararik read the following announcements: Friday, August 30th is the summer's last Movie at Antoline Park playing "Incredibles 2" beginning at Sunset. Don't forget your lawn chairs, blankets and snacks and enjoy a movie under the stars to kick-off the new School year. Monday, September 2nd, Borough office will be closed in observance of Labor Day. Tuesday, September 3rd is Central Valley School Districts' 1st day of School. Friday, September 6th is Monaca First Friday's at Washington Plaza Featuring "SGT Bob Timney" beginning at 6:00PM.

Executive Session: none

Adjournment: There being no further business, Mr. Shotter **motioned** to adjourn the meeting at 8:36p.m. Second by Mrs. Majors. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,



Brittany Bologna, Secretary