

MONACA BOROUGH  
Meeting Minutes  
May 9<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at 7:03 pm

The Regular Meeting of the Monaca Borough Council was held on the above date and time. The Meeting was opened in prayer by Curt DiGiovine followed with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**Roll Call**

Mr. Snyder- present	Mr. Shotter- present
Mrs. Rossi-Tesnovich- present	Mr. Rossi- present
Mr. McGown- present	Mr. Michel- present
Mr. LaPearle- present	President Booher- present
Mr. Wilson- (came in at 7:33pm) present	

**Others Present**

Mayor John Antoline, Mario N. Leone Jr., Rich Urick, Esq.

**Visitors** –There were no visitors

**Communications** –Mr. Leone briefly discussed the article that was published from the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette about sustainable Solar Trash receptacle’s that will be installed throughout the city of Pittsburgh. He states the article gives Monaca good “PR” since Monaca uses one of the Big Belly containers in town.

**Minutes**

Mr. Shotter motioned to approve the **Regular** Meeting Minutes from the April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2017 Council Meeting. Second by Mr. Michel. Motion carried unanimously.

**Fiscal and Contractual**

Mr. Shotter motioned to approve the monthly bills. Second by Mr. McGown. Motion carried unanimously.

**Mayors Report**

Citations and Warnings: **123**

Criminal Arrests: **16**

Number of Parking Tickets: **29**

Call For Service: **607**

Mayor Antoline confirmed Beaver County “Boom” will be held Saturday, June 24<sup>th</sup>, 2017. He mentioned the sponsorship forms went out for that event. Also, at 10am on Saturday, May 13<sup>th</sup> the T-ball Parade will be held at the Little League Baseball field for those who would like to attend. Next Friday, May 19<sup>th</sup> is the Wing Bash for the Monaca Police Department K-9, Kazan. Mayor Antoline mentioned he has tickets for those who would like to attend the benefit. He then asked Chief Piuri to please come up to present an Accommodation Certificate.

Chief Piuri came to the stand to recognize Officer Ronald Hogue for a brave arrest he made Sunday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2017. Chief Piuri described the incident that the Officer dealt with that day and proudly handed him a Certificate of Accommodation that was followed by a well-earned round of applause by the audience.

**Managers’ Report**

a.) Mr. Leone gave the following Project Updates:

1. Antoline Park/Comfort Station- The work for the new pavilion continues to progress and hoping to install grinder pump for the sewage this week.
2. CJ Mangin Elevator/Library- On Friday, May 5<sup>th</sup>, they relocated the alarm panel that they had

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some issue with. Mr. Leone stated they are hoping to schedule the Final inspection with the Department of Labor and Industry which should take about 30 days. Expectantly, the new pavilion will be ready to use by the end of the month.

**Borough Solicitors Report** -Solicitor Urick touched base on the Dioguardi Project that was mentioned in last meeting regarding property they own along Pennsylvania Avenue. They had previously asked if council can take action on these properties since the county is not permitting them to combine the multiple tax parcels into one tax parcel. After Solicitor Urick spoke with Mr. Dioguardi's lawyer on the issue, the lawyer is now asking council to give its consent to re-tax parceling numbering of their parcels of the properties there. To the Borough, it has no effect on the tax. It will not increase or reduce the taxes. All it will do is bring those parcels together under two numbers. Solicitor Urick drafted Resolution 5-17 and he read it aloud: "A Resolution of the Borough of Monaca, Beaver County, Pennsylvania approving the consolidation of lots in the Dioguardi Consolidation plan No. 2 recorded in Beaver County plan book volume 27 page 287". He continued by reading the rest of the Resolution. Detailed questions on the parcels were discussed and debated by council. Solicitor Urick and Mr. Dioguardi, who was also in attendance, answered the questions and gave council a better understanding of the Resolution and exactly what Mr. Dioguardi is planning. After an extended thought out discussion of the properties and what is required, Mr. Shotter first asked President Booher to open the floor up to the public for discussion on this matter before making a motion on the Resolution; there were none. Mr. Shotter motioned to approve Resolution No. 5-17. Second by Mr. Snyder. Motion carried unanimously.

**Department Report** -WWTP Mr. DiGiovine gave his report.

**Ordinance Review Committee** -Mr. Shotter announced Road Maintenance Ordinance was drafted by Mr. Wilson and sent to the office for further detail to be added. The other ordinances are still under review.

**Executive Committee** – (Mr. Wilson was not present at this time) Mr. Leone relayed a message from Councilman Wilson that there will be no Executive Committee Meeting next Tuesday, May 16<sup>th</sup>, due to the election.

**New Business:**

- a. Mr. Shotter motioned to advertise South Walnut Street Waterline Replacement Project. Second by Mr. McGown. Motion carried unanimously.
- b. Kermeit Tank Property was discussed by council. President Booher mentioned the pictures that were added to the packet of the demolition of the property including the big hole that was left there at this time. He wanted council to make a motion to table the "bid to sale of the property" because he does not feel it is ready in the present condition it is in. (\*Mr. Wilson entered the meeting at this time) Mr. Leone made it clear that the project at Kermeit tank was not pressing but the issue is that there is a huge hole there right now. Some of the councilman stated a fence should also be put up around the property as a safety hazard if there is not one there already. Mr. Wilson asked if the borough had an appraisal yet at the property. Mr. Leone confirmed they did have it appraised. Mr. Wilson suggested to table the bid to sale of the property because of not knowing what the overall cost of the tear down will be. Mr. Michel confirmed a fence should be put up around the property. Mr. Leone said he will see if there is a fence and if not the Borough has safety fences to put up. Mr. Snyder concluded by asking Mr. Leone to please do a drive-by this week to make sure everything is secure and that they should put off selling Kermeit Tank until everything is completed. All agreed.  
Mr. Snyder motioned to table item b. Authorizing Borough Solicitor to advertise bid to sale of Kermeit Tank property. Second by Mr. Michel. Motion carried unanimously.

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- c. Mrs. Rossi motioned to appoint Kelly Harper for Recreation Board member to replace Jake Pokita. Second by Mr. Michel. Mr. Wilson asked what the length of her term will be. Mr. Leone stated Jake Pokita was just recently reappointed before stepping down, and because Kelly Harper is replacing him, she will start out with the remainder of his term, 3 ½ years. Motion carried unanimously.

**Old Business:**

Mr. Shotter thanked the Borough for letting him and Mr. Wilson attend the PSAB Conference at Hershey that week. Mr. Wilson concurred.

Mr. McGown asked for status on the Linden Street Road issue near his property. Mr. Leone stated this issue was discussed in the last Executive Committee meeting and engineer Tony Sadaka has examined and studied this road. Mr. Sadaka confirmed paving does need completed there but Mr. Leone stated the paving for the restoration is beyond what the Borough's public works department can handle due to not having the proper equipment. Therefore, Mr. Sadaka recommended they add that particular road to the 2017 paving program.

Circling back, Mr. Wilson touched base on Executive Committee part of the meeting since he was absent at the time. He mentioned last Tuesday the meeting was held for 3 hours (6:30pm-9:30pm) with all members including Road Foreman Don Kronk. Mr. Kronk had a few requests regarding the workload verses workforce; employees and the part-time employees they were trying to hire and a few other issues. During the meeting the committee discussed those requests along with how they would like Mr. Kronk's report to be submitted from now on. Mr. Wilson stated Linden Street was discussed, that was previously mentioned above by Mr. McGown and Mr. Leone. The committee did agree that the base of the road will have to be corrected at some point. That road was an alternate for the 2017 Road Paving program and already went out for bid, but remained as an alternate. Looking forward, the committee is looking into trying to adjusting some roads for the purpose of getting Linden Street the attention it needs. It was mentioned in the meeting that the Code Enforcement Officer's car, an old police car, is being painted all white at this time. The committee must get together with Chief Piuri and Mayor Antoline soon about selling the Police Jeep as well. Antoline Park playground equipment was also mentioned in the meeting. And lastly, Mr. Wilson confirmed there will be no Executive Committee meeting due to election next Tuesday.

**Citizens:** Comments, Complaints, and Compliments

Curt DiGiovine- Operator of Waste Water Treatment Plant of the Monaca Borough- was in attendance to discuss with council his interest in the Kermeit Tank Property. He was curious and asked when the work is completed, is the actual footer going to be removed? President Booher confirmed they are removing the footer. Mr. DiGiovine asked will the actual footer be removed that everything lays on. And President Booher confirmed they haven't got to the base yet, but they were planning on digging that up which answered Mr. DiGiovine's question.

**Announcements**

**Executive Session**

**Adjournment**

There being no further business, Mr. Shotter motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:49pm. Second by Mr. Snyder. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

  
Brittany Bologna, Secretary

