

MONACA BOROUGH  
Meeting Minutes  
March 12<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 7:00pm

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- present
Mrs. Majors - present	Mr. Blanakik- present
Mr. McGown- absent	Mr. Michel- present
Mr. LaPearle- present	Vice President Shotter-absent
Mr. Wilson- present	President Booher- present

**Others Present**

Mayor Simon D. Short, Mario N. Leone Jr., & Rich Urick, Esq.

**Visitors:** None

**Communications:** None

**Minutes-** Mr. Wilson **motioned** to approve the **Regular** Meeting Minutes from the February 26<sup>th</sup>, 2019 Council Meeting. Second by Mr. Blanakik. Motion carried unanimously.

**Fiscal and Contractual-** Mrs. Majors **motioned** to approve the monthly bills. Second by Mr. Wilson. Motion carried unanimously.

**Mayors Report-** the Honorable Mayor Short gave his report for the month of February 2019.

Monetary Receipt's: **\$3,840.82**  
Citations and Parking Tickets: **143**  
Criminal Arrests: **24**  
Call For Service: **403**  
Miles patrolled: **4,411 miles**

Councilman Wilson added his appreciation and thanks to the Police department for their dedication and hard work on those 403 calls for service last month, and for all they do.

**Managers' Report-** Mr. Leone first stated Well 16 has been working very well. The Water Dept. is coordinating the Ohio Ave waterline replacement project and are looking to get the meter installed at the Beaver Valley Industrial park. They are also looking to get bids on the tarp at the smaller Reservoir. Lastly, at the booster pump station, the #1 pump will need possibly a mechanical seal; looking to get bids. The new Water meter software will be upgraded next Thursday to help implement better reads. The WWTP project is near completion. The Road Department is working on modifications at Antoline Park to get it ready for spring. Brittany had a phone conference today with MyCivicApp. The new mobile app is making progress and should be running by next month. A new restaurant opened in downtown Monaca called Tabula Rasa- he highly recommends it. He then gave a Streetscape update- they are trying a different approach and meeting with Beaver County Transit Authority to maybe implement a bus route schedule. He's meeting with an Energy Consultant to upgrade generators at WWTP and Pumphouse. Dave Kramer is working with the bank financing to secure the two new police vehicles. Next week schedule: Tuesday he has a meeting at 911 Center to discuss LPR cameras; Wednesday, several members from the MBDA will travel to Carnegie to do a tour on their community development. And later that day he has a meeting with PennDot on the 17<sup>th</sup> St. intersection; Thursday, he has a meeting with the Architect for the new Municipal Building at noon. Following, Mr. Leone has a meeting with a consultant at CJ Mangin regarding Solar Projects at Libraries. Lastly, Thursday night members will be attending the Sustainable Pittsburgh Challenge/Ceremony at PNC Park. Hopefully they can bring home the win this year for small Municipalities.

**Solicitors Report:** Solicitor Urick gave his report. He sent documents regarding Pacific Ave property for proposed purchase. He gave an update on the Resource Officer. The MOU was sent out two weeks ago with no response and no signed documents. Mr. Leone stated he spoke with Superintendent Dr. Perry who mentioned the MOU is in their

Solicitors hand and they have a School Board meeting this Wednesday to discuss. Life Steps tax appeal hearing is still set for April eighth. At the April 11th council meeting, Council can adopt a Resolution regarding sale of Kermiet Drive property. The agreement of sale can be signed and there after proceed with what needs to be done for the closing.

**Department Report** – WWTP Superintendent Curt DiGiovine gave his report for the month of February. He also gave status on the project at hand with some change orders that council will be asked to approve further in the meeting. He explained the change orders. Mr. Wilson thanked Curt for his patience with all the construction going on at the plant this year. Curt then stated EMA coordinator Jeff McKay will be holding a safety meeting there after completion of the project.

**Ordinance Review Committee Report**-Mayor Short stated he is waiting on the meeting he is to attend at Carnegie to get some direction on the Art Ordinance he is currently working on.

**Monaca Volunteer Community Outreach Report**- (on sabbatical until spring)

**Monaca Business District Authority Report**- Mrs. Majors announced as Mr. Leone said they are looking to speak with a couple CDC's in the area. One is at Carnegie next week and the other will be at McKees Rocks the following day. They may also speak to someone in Washington County. That concludes her report.

**New Business:**

1. Mr. Michel **motioned** to approve change order in the total amount of \$8,990.00 to Shiloh Industrial Contractors for additional work to be done for the WWTP Project, per Superintendent Curt DiGiovine. Second by Mr. Rebich. Motion carried unanimously.
2. Mr. Wilson **motioned** to finance Monaca Borough Police Vehicles through WesBanco at a rate of 3.90%, lease. Second by Mr. LaPearle. Mr. Michel first asked how much they are saving. Mr. Leone did not have a number but said they certainly are going with the lowest rate, and the cars are being leased. Motion carried unanimously.

**Citizens:**

**Trudy Kohler-826 Washington Avenue, Monaca PA**-came up to the front of the room and gave each councilperson a flyer regarding facts about fracking in the U.S.

**Colton Super-118 Brennburn Lane, Aliquippa PA**-was in attendance that evening with several other Eagle Scout members from Central Valley School District seeking to obtain their merit badge for Citizenship in the Community. Colton briefly explained they are to attend a municipal/city meeting and write down what happens during the meeting. In attendance with Colton was Eagle Scouts: **Michael Fogg Jr., Jameson Liam Butler, Noah Johnson, Isaac Johnson and Craig Fisher** who also wish to acquire their merit badge. Council thanked them for attending.

**Announcements:** Mr. Leone announced to further enhance the "LOVE" campaign, he had distributed to council a "Love" decal for their car. He also has window stickers for the businesses in town to put in their store front windows. Mr. Leone extended to the residents, if they are interested in helping the campaign to let him know and we'll provide the decals as well, shirts are also for sale at the Borough.

**Executive Session:** None

**Adjournment:** There being no further business, Mr. Blanak motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:25p.m. Second by Mr. Rebich. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,



Brittany Bologna, Secretary

