

MONACA BOROUGH  
Meeting Minutes  
April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at 7:02 pm

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. Shotter- present
Mrs. Rossi-Tesnovich- present	Mr. Rossi- present
Mr. McGown- present	Mr. Michel- present @7:04pm
Mr. LaPearle- present	V.P. Zigerelli- absent
Mr. Wilson- present	President Booher- present

**Others**

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

**Engineers Report**

Tony Sadaka of Widmer Engineer gave his report.

**Visitors** –Diane Antoline McKay-1098 Allaire Avenue- Was in attendance to let council know she submitted a letter for permission to hold the 2017 Monaca Mad Dash 5K Run/Walk that will be held Saturday June 24<sup>th</sup>. President Booher confirmed the Mad Dash has been added to New Business section for tonight's meeting and a motion will be made. She stated the run will be the same as last year; start time is at 9:00 am. The public can register on their website before the event, or registration will be that morning at the Antoline Park (possibly at the new Pavilion) starting at 7:45am.

**Communications** – Mr. Leone touched based on 2 letters of accolades that were included in the agenda packet for council. These letters were based on some of the Borough's recent achievements. One is a letter from a professor at the Community College congratulating the Monaca Borough on those initiatives. The second letter was from the Central Valley Science teacher, Mr. Riply, thanking the Monaca Borough and Mr. Leone for taking the class on the tour.

**Minutes**

Mr. Wilson motioned to approve the **Regular** Meeting Minutes from the April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2017 Council Meeting. Second by Mr. Shotter. Motion carried unanimously.

**Fiscal and Contractual**

Mr. Rossi motioned to approve the monthly bills. Second by Mr. Wilson. Motion carried unanimously.

**Managers' Report-**

- a) Project Updates:
  1. Antoline Park Comfort Station/Pavilion- contractors are working on putting the siding up. Painting has been completed in the restrooms and on some of the ceilings. We anticipate the roof being installed in the middle of May and targeting end of May completion date for the new pavilion all together.
  2. CJ Mangin Elevator- Resolved the electrical lighting in the pit, but there is an alarm issue with the sub pump, which they are still trying to get building code details for that. Once the issue is resolved, they can finally have the Dept. of Labor inspect the elevator to get it opened.

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3. Waterline Replacement Project- as Tony Sadaka mentioned in the Engineers Report> the project is complete. They did a final walk through and all was completed. The only punch-list item that remains on the to-do list is the grass that will be restored.
4. Paving Project-Completed this week. Youngblood completed the Waste Water Treatment Plant's parking lot. Mr. DiGiovine is satisfied with the work done.
5. Streetscape- He announced this item will be discussed in Executive Session in this meeting.
6. Letter from FEMA- They had awarded the borough's Emergency Plan. Mr. Leone gave "kudos" to the E.M.A. director Jeff McKay for the work that was done on his part. We received approval from them.
7. Mr. Leone shared information from his Radio interview with WESA (included in the packet) on sustainability in Monaca. Also included in the packet, was the Beaver County Times article about the Central Valley science class tour of Monaca.  
Mr. McGown asked Mr. Leone if the broken bench at the 15<sup>th</sup> Street playground was fixed yet. Mr. Leone stated the Road dept. is looking into fixing it and he will follow up with him once resolved.

### **Borough Solicitors Report**

Solicitor Urick gave his report. He began by giving status of the advertising of the Borough building. He has been working on this bid proposal for some time and completed it in about 98% form. He needs informed of some scheduling when council would like him to have this completed by. He also included an invitation for bidders to come and look at the property before they bid on it. He advised this is a wise thing to do and those interested can get a better feel of the property before placing a bid. As soon as this gets approved, Solicitor Urick will get that advertised. He also saw under New Business the bid to sale of Kermiet Tank property. He confirmed this process will be very similar when they sold the Beaver Avenue property (vacant piece of property with not a lot of detail compared to the Borough building). Solicitor Urick also said he will wait to hear from Mr. Leone and the committee about the rezoning of 5<sup>th</sup> Ward area near Antoline Park. He spoke very briefly with Councilman Shotter and Councilman Wilson about the maintenance of the streets and how they want to define that.

### **Ordinance Review Committee**

Mr. Shotter stated in the past meeting, they elaborated on the following: street maintenance ordinance; Fence Ordinance; he also mentioned the Neighborhood Service Officer Ordinance revival was given to Mr. Vorrias as well.

### **Executive Committee**

Mr. Wilson reports: Executive Committee met last Tuesday, April 18th for 3 hours and 10 minutes to discuss 11 different topics, some already discussed tonight by Mr. Leone, Solicitor Urick and Councilman Shotter. Additional items discussed: Linden Properties; Washington Ave Playground, 15<sup>th</sup> Street Playground, Sale of Borough Building/Bid package, Kermiet Tank sale. Mr. Wilson also met with Water employee Jared McKay and discussed line and valve replacements throughout the borough building and trying to establish a game plan for those replacements. The remaining topics discussed were personnel issues that will later be deliberated in Executive Session of this meeting as well as painting the old police car for the NSO to use.

### **Monaca Volunteer Community Outreach Report:**

Patty Majors gave her report. She shared they were able to finish their first major road clean-up in Monaca. The roads included 14<sup>th</sup> Street hill, Eckert Road, Cascade, Ridge Road, the fence line opposite of Spring Run, and Colonial Avenue. We had about 30 bags of trash. She wanted to commend the Road dept. for being such a big help with picking up all 30 bags, and for being quick when asked to bring road signs and so on. She also mentioned she will try to keep a watch on the roads and clean them up as needed. Hoping in a week or two to start the planting, pending weather. Due to the gas line replacement

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project, she will get with Mr. Leone on what they can or cannot get done on the main road this year with the plants. She mentioned they are also registered for National Night Out which is first Tuesday in August this year.

Mr. Wilson asked Patty when Ridge Road was cleaned per a request from a citizen, last council meeting. She confirmed the meeting was held April 11<sup>th</sup> when the request was made and that Ridge Road was cleaned the following day. The individual who gave this request did volunteer to help do the clean-up but unfortunately he was unable to make it to help. But Patty did say she will surely inform him next time they do a road clean up.

**Downtown Business Authority Report:**

Patty Majors announced a meeting will be held the third Thursday of May at the Borough Building.

**New Business:**

- a. Mr. McGown motioned to approve Final application payment in the amount of \$6,952.63 to Martino Inc. for the Waterline replacement project. Second by Mr. Wilson. Motion carried unanimously.
- b. Mr. Shotter motioned to Table item b-to Advertise Borough Building with bid documents and development performance standards attached- to discuss in Executive Session. Second by Mr. Wilson. Motion carried unanimously.
- c. Mr. Shotter motioned to authorize Borough Solicitor to advertise for bid to sale of Kermiet Tank property. Second by Mr. LaPearle. Mr. Michel asked what was left of the property besides the cement. He also asked did the borough get rid of the piping clear to the road, and was everything completely clear of the waterlines. Mr. Leone replied not everything was exactly completed. Foundation was removed, the piping was disconnected but it was not terminated all the way to the road. Mr. Michel asked council to consider all that Mr. Leone said before they put it up for sale. More discussion was made by council about the facts of the property. Solicitor Urick asked council to consider that whomever purchases this property should have to build on it in a specified period of time. Solicitor Urick suggested to withdraw the motion due to incomplete facts. Mr. Shotter withdrew his motion to advertise for bid to sale of Kermiet Tank property until all facts of the property have been given. Mr. LaPearle also withdrew his motion.
- d. Mr. LaPearle motioned to approve 2017 Monaca Mad Dash 5K Run/Walk to be held on Saturday, June 24<sup>th</sup>. Second by Mr. Shotter. Motion carried unanimously.

**Old Business:** Mr. Rossi asked when the Street sweeper will be repaired. Mr. Leone stated it has not been fixed yet but is in the process and he will update council once sweeper has been repaired.

Mr. Shotter stated that council was approaching the legal deadline to accept Councilman Zigerelli's resignation. Therefore, Mr. Shotter motioned to accept resignation of Dan Zigerelli as Fourth Ward Councilman. Second by Mr. Wilson. Motion carried unanimously. Following the motion, Solicitor Urick then pronounced the 30 day clock will begin tomorrow to fill his position.

Mr. Wilson made a comment that was brought up in the last meeting about how many roads exist in the Monaca Borough. He answered there are 108 roads. Mayor Antoline thanked Mrs. Rossi and the Recreation board for another successful Easter Egg Hunt that was held Saturday April 15<sup>th</sup>.

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

**1. Anthony Santilli- 1050 Linden Street-** Was in attendance to discuss with council if there was something they can do about Waste Management not picking up trash when it falls off the back of the truck. Mr. Leone asked Mr. Santilli to please report this to the borough immediately when he sees it so the office can keep record and relay the message to WM with either pictures or a street address. This way the borough can keep track of the complaints and problems of their services should they need to take further action.

**2. John Dioguardi-Beaver, PA** - Was in attendance to discuss with council a project that he's working on in Monaca and is stuck at the moment with a couple issues. He wanted to first thank council for all their help in the past with previous projects and hoped for their guidance and assistance with this one as well. Mr. Dioguardi stated he owns property in Monaca, particularly on the 1700<sup>th</sup> block of Pennsylvania Avenue. He explained to council his situation in detail about the four properties near 17<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> to about the 1800<sup>th</sup> block of Pennsylvania Avenue and confirmed Mr. Leone and Solicitor Urick have been lending a helping hand with the project. His idea is to consolidate the four properties into one parcel but the County is not permitting him to do so. He provided additional information of what his tactics are going forward and ended by thanking council for their time and considerable help on the future plans of those properties and Mr. Leone will fill them in on the plans.

**3. Glen Rambo-1008 Washington Avenue**-Was in attendance to let council know that his grandson was recently bit by a resident's dog and he wanted to know if the Borough was in contract with the Humane Society. Mr. Leone confirmed the Borough does not have a contract with the Humane Society this year but the Monaca Police officers are allowed to drop the animals off. Mr. Leone told Mr. Rambo that the borough tried to obtain a contract with them, but the Humane Societies' rates went up, and council was not willing to pay the new contract fees.

### Executive Session

Mr. Wilson motioned to enter into Executive Session for Personnel, Contracts and bid of Properties at 7:38pm. Second by Mr. Shotter. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Shotter motioned to adjourn Executive Session at 9:32pm. Second by Mr. Michel. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Michel motioned to resume the Public Meeting at 9:33pm. Second by Mr. Rossi. Motion carried unanimously.

Under New Business: **item b.** was discussed,

Mr. Shotter motioned to advertise Borough building with bid documents and development performance standards attached. Second by Mr. LaPearle. Motion carried unanimously.

### Announcements

### Adjournment

There being no further business, Mr. Michel motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:34pm. Second by Mr. Shotter. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,



Brittany Bologna, Secretary