

MONACA BOROUGH  
Meeting Minutes  
August 22<sup>nd</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 with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**Roll Call**

Mr. Snyder- absent	Mr. Rebich- absent
Mrs. Rossi-Tesnovich- absent	Mr. Rossi- absent
Mr. McGown- present	Mr. Michel- present
Mr. LaPearle- present	VP Shotter - present
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. Mr. Sadaka mentioned some change orders happening during his report for some of the streets which was then questioned by Mr. Michel of how much the change orders were going to cost. Mr. Sadaka said since there are multiple locations that need changed, they made a list of the specific change orders and gave it to Mele & Mele and Xpress Underground to see which provided the best price.

Mr. Sadaka then announced the Pollution Reduction Plan (PRP) and allowed the public to comment on this.

**Public Comments**- No comments were given by the public for the PRP.

**Visitors** –None

**Communications** – None

**Minutes**

Mr. Shotter motioned to approve the **Regular** Meeting Minutes from the August 8<sup>th</sup>, 2017 Council Meeting. Second by Mr. Wilson. Motion carried unanimously.

**Fiscal and Contractual**

Mr. Wilson motioned to approve the monthly bills. Second by Mr. McGown. Before motion carried, Mr. Michel asked how many Comcast bills the borough pays for. Mr. Leone said there are multiple accounts. Mr. Shotter also asked about the cost of the surveillance cameras and when they were approved. Mr. Leone confirmed these were part of the construction for the new Comfort Station security system at Antoline Park and also for the Library at CJ Mangin.

Motion carried unanimously.

**Managers' Report-**

a) Project Updates: Mr. Leone Gave his Report

1. Streetscape- Still in the planning process and there have been multiple meetings. He announced there is a grant due on Sept 8<sup>th</sup> and the funding from this will help with the construction for the round-about.
2. 2017 Paving Program- He gave a brief update on the streets that have been paved thus far.
3. Beaver County Chamber of Commerce Event- Mr. Leone attended this event earlier that day. The focus was on businesses in the Shell area and the impact they will have on the community. They had a few speakers from Louisiana that touched base on a similar project in one of their small towns called Sasol that started a while back which had a tremendous impact within their community. The speakers helped prepare Beaver County for all the changes coming forward with Shell including traffic flow, impact of jobs, and an increase of income & tax revenue.
4. Solar Eclipse- Mr. Leone shared a neat piece of information about a chart the Solar Panels at the Reservoir (Taylor Ave.) produced during the eclipse on Monday, August 21st. Mr. Leone and Mr. Shotter were able to obtain information through a computer module that read the energy reduction from the Solar Panels. The results were a perfect testament that the solar panels are working. He thanked Mr. Shotter for his help.

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5. Lastly, Mr. Leone introduced James “Jake” Iorio who was recently hired for the Borough (from the last council meeting on August 8<sup>th</sup>) as the new Highway Superintendent-start date: Monday August 28<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

**Borough Solicitors Report** - Solicitor Urick gave his report. He stated he has finished the draft copies for the rezoning of 5<sup>th</sup> Ward. He then announced Kermiet Tank property is ready for advertising as soon as council gives the “go” on a date for advertisement. He then referred back to rezoning at 5<sup>th</sup> Ward, and mentioned he’s convinced it needs a survey completed. Mr. Leone is to get in touch with Ryan Eichhorn who has requested this rezoning. President Booher confirmed Mr. Eichhorn is responsible to pay for the survey. Lastly, Solicitor Urick asked if the borough could ask Mr. Eichhorn if he would the Borough to go about getting the survey or if he wants to get the survey completed on his own.

**Ordinance Review Committee-** Mr. Shotter had nothing to report.

**Executive Committee-** Mr. Wilson also had nothing to report since there was no meeting last Tuesday. He announced next meeting will be held Tuesday, August 29<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

**Monaca Volunteer Community Outreach Report:** none

**Downtown Business Authority Report:** none

**New Business:**

- a. Mr. Wilson motioned to approve Final application payment in the amount of \$8,109.30 to Reno Bros. Inc for John Antoline Park. Second by Mr. McGown. Motion carried unanimously.
- b. Mr. Shotter motioned to approve 7<sup>th</sup> application payment in the amount of \$41,425.00 to RD Stewart Co. for John Antoline Park. Second by Mr. Wilson. Mr. Michel first asked how many payments were left. Mr. Leone stated one final payment of \$5,000.00 remains. Motion carried unanimously.

**Old Business:**

1. Council discussed IamResponding contract. Mr. Leone was able to speak with Chief Rambo from #1 Fire Station regarding the contract but was unable to discuss the contract with #4 or #5. Mr. Shotter suggested that all Fire Departments should have a say in the contract and shouldn’t make any decisions until further noted. Also, Mr. Wilson suggested if there are no additional costs, they should consider including the Police Department if this is something they would be interested in using.
  - Next, Mr. Michel asked since they did the tap-ins for the building being built on Ridge Road, who’s doing the paving. Mr. Leone confirmed those who are working on the house are responsible for restoration on the roads.
  - For informational purposes, Mr. Wilson suggested when the time comes for council to talk about meeting dates for the following year, he would like to retrace back to the old way and involve Work Shop meetings again so council and the residents have the ability to be in the “know” before council votes on anything. That way, when the next meeting comes, they will be well prepared in making decisions. Lastly, he brought up the Police Jeep and when it will be placed on Municibid. Mr. Leone stated this week.
  - Mr. Michel, asked about the meetings...will the Executive Meetings be eliminated? Mr. Wilson said no. Mr. Michel also asked who is responsible for the sewer tap-in on Kermiet property. Mr. Leone stated it’s up to the buyer to do the tap-in.
  - Mr. Shotter said in regards to the bid they received on the Borough building, he recommends Executive Committee take up the idea of recommending an architect to do a study of borough properties to narrow down options of feasibility.

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

1. **Lori McCallough-Fries-101 Lafayette Drive, Monaca-**was in attendance to let council know Center Township has plans of tearing down Mateer Farms that sits on Marshall Road and build apartment complexes in its place. It will be a three building apartment complex using Marshall Road as the “in-and-out” road. She gave more detail about the plans and asked if council was aware of this since Marshall Road is part of Monaca. She emphasizes her concern for the heightened traffic flow on that road. She was interested in hearing council’s opinion on the matter. Mr. Leone has only heard rumor of these “plans”. Council stressed their concern but stated there is nothing they can do since this is Center Townships’ project. They cannot intervene unless both municipalities are involved.

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2. **Sandie Egley-1460 Second Street, Beaver PA**-Chairman of the Board of Commissioners at The Beaver County Courthouse-was in attendance to introduce herself to make a connection to municipalities around the county. After her introduction, she turned to Mrs. McCallaugh to specify that PennDOT has been reaching out to the courthouse every month for the last 6 months. They do have the magnifying glass on this area, Monaca in particular, which is one of the highest on their list for traffic patterns, grants and the like. In closing, she thanked Council for all that they do and welcomed them to get a hold of her anytime.

**Announcements:** none

**Attachments:** none

**Executive Session**

Mr. McGown motioned to enter into Executive Session for Personnel, Legal and Real Estate at 7:38pm. Second by Mr. Michel. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Shotter motioned to adjourn Executive Session at 8:28pm. Second by Mr. McGown. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Shotter motioned to resume the Public Meeting at 8:29pm. Second by Mr. LaPearle. Motion carried unanimously.

Borough Manager, Mr. Leone gave an extensive recap on the funding strategy for the Monaca Gateway Corridor improvements.

**Adjournment**

There being no further business, Mr. Shotter motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:47pm. Second by Mr. Michel. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,



Brittany Bologna, Secretary