

MONACA BOROUGH  
June 11th, 2013– 7:00 P.M.  
COUNCIL MEETING

A Regular Meeting of the Monaca Borough Town Council was held on the above date.

Meeting started at 7:00

**Flag Salute**

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**Roll Call**

Mr. DiMarzio-present

Mrs. Rossi-Tesnovich-present

Mr. Snyder-present

Mr. Nichol-present

Mr. Krizan-present

Mr. Wilson-arriving late

Mr. Booher- at a training /Internet

Mr. Karczewski-present

Mr. Ely-arrived at 7:14pm

President McKay-present

Mayor Antoline-present

**Others Present**

Mario N. Leone Jr.-Borough Manager

Nick Urick

**Bid Opening**

Stefaniks-Base \$514,208/Add Bid \$466,224.90/ Total \$980,432.90

Rudik Excavating Inc. Base \$499,197.74/Add Bid\$431,838.35/Total \$931,036.09

S.E.T. Inc. Base \$733,425.00/Add Bid \$418,651.25/Total \$1,152,076.25

Graziani Base \$358,908.00/ Add Bid \$321,321.00/Total \$680,229.00

Bids to Solicitor & Engineer for review.

**Keep America Beautiful Presentation**-Mike Christ on behalf of Waste Management and Keep America Beautiful presented Council with a \$4,000 check for the beautification of Monaca Borough. He praised Mario Leone for applying for the grant.

**Minutes**

Mr. Karczewski motioned to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of May 28th, 2013 Council Meeting. Mr. DiMarzio second. Motion carried unanimously.

**Fiscal and Contractual**

Mr. DiMarzio motioned to approve monthly bills. Mr. Karczewski second. Motion carried unanimously.

**Standing Committees and New Business**

**Public Safety/Highway Committee**

Mayors Report

Citations and Warnings-157

Number of Parking Tickets-193

Calls Serviced-160

Monetary Receipts-\$6,217.84

Mayor Antoline added that they were accepting Donations for the Fireworks Committee.

Mr. Karczewski mentioned that they had a brief Public Safety& Highway meeting earlier that afternoon and would have the meeting minutes for Council at the following meeting. He indicated that they discussed 2 major issues. One was acquiring a Police Dog and the need for a new Server in the Police Department. The one they currently have is crashing on a daily basis and a new server is necessary.

Danny Colville reviewed the Highway Report with Council. He asked if Council had made any decision regarding the trees in the Plaza. They are overgrown and need trimmed and topped off. Mr. Snyder motioned have building and grounds decide the fate of the trees. Mr. Krizan second. Motion carried unanimously.

Danny Colville thanked Gabby Hernandez for all her help with his day to day operations in the office.

### **Building and Grounds/Recreation /Library Committee**

Mr. DiMarzio motioned to accept email from Pat Smith regarding Lorraine Rorick's resignation from Board Of Trustees and appointment of Michelle Manzo to Board Trustees. Mr. Ely second. Motion carried unanimously.

### **Water/Waste Water/Health and Sanitation Committee**

Howard Hughes reviewed the Water Report with Council

Curt DiGiovine reviewed the WWTP report with Council

### **General Government Committee**

President McKay advised Council to review the A-Frame Sign Permit form.

Mario Leone updated Council regarding the proposal from the Gas Company, which is currently working on a Gas line on 12<sup>th</sup> Street. Due to this construction they have cleared that access way out and for safety purposes they would like to install some sort of barrier to stop a vehicle from driving on 12th St. down over that hill. They would like to install a gate on 12<sup>th</sup> Street for any maintenance that they may need for that line. A key would be provided to the Borough and Police department should we need to access. The Gas Company is willing to put whatever gate the Borough wishes.

Mr. DiMarzio motioned to place I Beams along with Wood barriers to match the other extensions. Mr. Krizan second. Motioned carried unanimously.

Mr. DiMarzio motioned to change the verbiage to the Neighborhood services officer and keep the fees the same. Mr. Krizan second. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Wilson arrived at 7:58pm

Mr. Wilson motioned to ratify the signing of a release by the President of Council Jeff McKay, based on the advice and recommendation of the Borough Solicitor, calling for a release of the Borough of Monaca in the lawsuit filed by Mr. and Mrs., Zajac against the Borough and others. The Borough's insurance company agreed to and will be paying the settlement. Mr. DiMarzio second. Motion carried unanimously.

### **Monaca Volunteer Community Outreach Committee**

Pat Majors reported that she had received the grant check in the amount of \$1,000 for some of the landscape improvements throughout town. They have started working in the Pump house most of it is now weeded and cleaned up, they also went to the turnaround island on Atlantic, it is now completely weeded and the trees and shrubs are cut. She mentioned that Brady and Conner were a tremendous help. She advised Council that the plan is to start working on the CJ Mangin landscape.

### **Managers Report:**

Mario Leone reported to Council that they recently completed the Source Water Protection grant. Mr. Hughes, Jared McKay and himself attended the final presentation. He also mentioned that there is an alternative fuel vehicle grant that will be closing at the end of July with that grant there is the opportunity to purchase 5 vehicles. He will be approaching some of the municipalities at Thursday's COG meeting to ask if anyone would be interested in participating and possibly partner in to purchase these vehicles. Mario added that recently the Borough was awarded the gold certification through Sustainable Pittsburgh the only other municipality in southwestern Pa. that achieved this was Cranberry Twp. The Borough should be applauded for this recognition. President McKay also has this on the website.

The 2012 Audit is near completion. This past weekend the Network of Hope used CJ to hold their first church service. He indicated that everything went well. The only downfall was that the bathrooms were still not working. He explained to Council that he would have the lease agreement at the next meeting. The Network of Hope will be having a service every other week until September when they transition to every Sunday.

### **New Business**

Mayor Antoline explained to Council that Officer Nicol was interested in obtaining a Police Dog. He said he would raise the funds to purchase the Canine. With Councils approval they would like to move forward. Mayor Antoline advised that the National Chiefs Association has matching funds available from June to August; they match whatever is raised within those months. Also, they are applying for the Ben Roethlisberger foundation to ask for a donation.

Mr. DiMarzio motioned to go ahead and purchase the server from MGSoftNet for the Police Department. Mr. Ely second. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. DiMarzio pointed out that he is concerned about the bad alley by the Draft House. There is a massive pothole. He would like to make a recommendation to have a paver come in a pave. He also mentioned to have the Neighborhood Services Officer take a walk on Pennsylvania Ave. and possibly send a warning letter to the businesses and ask that they

take care of their sidewalks rather than have the Happy Weeders do it. Lastly, he asked where we stood as far as Herzog and the accumulation of all the vehicles on his lot.

Mr. Snyder mentioned that he made some contact with Representative Christiana and Senator Vogel in regards to abandoned homes; they are currently looking for some literature to help expedite the legality process as well as demolition.

President McKay is working on a program for vacant buildings he is collaborating with the fire department Chief on marking the buildings that become vacant. At his point the building inspector would come in and give his professional opinion of the safety for that particular building and it would then be marked with certain codes pertaining to the hazards in the building. He said he would have more information at the next meeting.

Mr. McKay also mentioned that Leaf Pest Control donated a Tank and Pump so that we can put on the tractor to do the watering for the flowers and islands.

#### **Citizens: Comments, Complaints, and Complaints**

George Robbie-1624 Beaver Ave, Mr. Robbie works at Enterprise Car Rentals. He wanted To Thank Howard Hughes for all his help and support during the water break that past week. He also wanted to make Council aware that he had seen a bear in the wooded area near his house.

#### **Executive Session**

Mr. Snyder motioned to enter into Executive Session at 8:38pm for Personnel. Mr. Karczewski second. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. DiMarzio motioned to authorize Borough Manager to ask Dawn Hoenig if she would be interested in returning to her prior full time position at her ending salary rate. Mr. Karczewski second. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Ely motioned to re-enter Council Chambers at 8:59. Mr. Wilson second. Motion carried unanimously

#### **Adjournment**

Mr. Ely motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:17. Mr. Snyder second. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

**Gabby Hernandez**

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