

MONACA BOROUGH
March 12th 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. Krizan-present	Mr. Wilson-present
Mr. Booher-present	Mr. Karczewski-present
Mr. Ely-present –via phone	President McKay-present

Others Present

Mayor John Antoline
Mario N. Leone Jr.-Borough Manager
Richard Urick-Solicitor
Nick Urick

Communications

Thank You, Letter from Ron Crisi Center Twp Water Authority dated March 5th 2013-Attached

President McKay asked for Council's consent to send Mr. DiBacco a letter thanking him for serving on Monaca Borough Council and for his many years of service in the community as well as with the Recreation Board.

Minutes

Mr. Booher motioned to approve the meeting minutes of February 26th 2013 Council Meeting. Mr. Karczewski second. Motion carried unanimously.

Fiscal and Contractual

Mr. Booher motioned to approve monthly bills. Mr. Wilson second. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Safety/Highway Committee

Mayors Report
Citations and Warnings-56
Number of Parking Tickets-60
Calls Serviced-130
Monetary Receipts-5,137.43

Danny Colville reviewed the Highway Report with Council

Mr. DiMarzio motioned to approve **Resolution No. 3-13** amending the Emergency Vehicle Response Policy Governing the procedures under which a Borough Police Officer should Initiate, Continue and Terminate a Motor Vehicle Pursuit. Mr. Booher second. Motioned carried unanimously.

Mr. Booher motioned to approve **Resolution No. 4-13** approving the adoption of Policies Governing the use of Tazers, the use of Lethal and Less-Lethal Force, and Handling of Active Shooter Situations. Mr. DiMarzio second. Motion carried unanimously.

Water/Waste Water/Health and Sanitation Committee

Mr. Wilson thanked Officer Houge, Officer Nichol, the fire department, and Howard Hughes for being the first to respond to last Tuesdays fire located at the Pump house facility. He also thanked Borough Manager Mario Leone who was on vacation at the time as well as President McKay. He added that there was nothing anyone could have done to prevent the fire, it was an accident. The efforts of Danny Colville and Russell Kopecky who came down to plow the roads and the quick response by the fire department and police department helped take control of the situation.

Borough Manager Mario Leone thanked the neighboring Water Authorities of Aliquippa, Center, Creswell, & Westview for offering their assistance.

Mr. Wilson explained that they made the decision to turn the pumps off at the booster station and have water service for the uptown area via the water tower and the downtown area via the reservoir. Mr. Hughes monitored the flow every half hour thru the scada system, they figured they would not need to turn the interconnect until approximately 1pm the following day. Center water authority was on standby to turn the switch if need be.

Howard Hughes reviewed the Water Report with Council

Mr. Hughes explained to council that the equipment that was destroyed and would need replaced due to the fire at the pump station was as follows:

3 Surge Protectors

3 Line Filters

3 Enclosure and Sub Panels

3 3pole fuse box

1 75 Horsepower Powerflex 400 variable frequency drives

3 150 amp fuses

3 125 amp fuses

8 klk 30amp fuses

Misc. Items: Relays, wire terminal box

Total cost for parts, & labor =\$25,611

Mr. Wilson motioned to make all the necessary repairs. Mr. Snyder second. Motion carried unanimously.

Howard Hughes thanked all the people who helped with fire at Pump house.

Curt DiGiovine reviewed the Waste Water Treatment Plant Report with Council

Mr. Wilson motioned to approve the payment to Frankl Electric in the amount of \$34,650 for the WWTP Electrical Service Upgrades. Mr. Booher second. Motion carried unanimously.

General Government Committee

4th Ward Vacancy Appointment-

Mr. Snyder nominated Mr. Nichol

Mr. Booher nominated Mr. Zigerelli. Mr. DiMarzio second

Roll Call

Mr. Booher-Daniel Zigerelli

Mr. Karczewski-**Jeff Nichol**

Mr. DiMarzio-Daniel Zigerelli

Ms. Rossi-**Jeff Nichol**

Mr. Snyder-**Jeff Nichol**

Mr. Krizan-**Jeff Nichol**

Mr. Wilson-**Jeff Nichol**

Mr. Ely-**Jeff Nichol**

President McKay-**Jeff Nichol**

Jeff Nichol 7 / Daniel Zigerelli 2

President McKay announced that Mr. Jeff Nichol will be appointed to the 4th ward seat and welcomed him aboard.

Solicitor Urick advised council that Mr. Nichol would need to be sworn in and sign an oath before he is assigned the 4th ward council seat. Council replied that Mr. Nichol would be sworn in at the next Council Meeting.

Mr. Snyder thanked all the individuals who applied for the 4th ward vacancy.

Mr. DiMarzio motioned to approve the request from the FBN Baseball Organization to use the Stone Quarry Baseball Field. Mr. Booher second. Motion carried unanimously.

President McKay explained to Council that anyone using Borough fields must attend a lightning safety program as part of Storm Ready Program.

Mr. Karczewski motioned to approve the use of the grass area at the 15th Street Basketball Courts for the Network of Hope to hold an Easter Egg Hunt on March 30th 2013. Mr. DiMarzio second. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Booher motioned to authorize President McKay and Mayor Antoline to sign DEP Recycling Grant Agreement accepting grant offer in the amount of \$85,970. Mr. Wilson second. Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Borough Manager Mario Leone advised council that the Per Capita Tax- Resolution No. 14-82 needs to be revised and updated. He explained that Monaca's senior residents are unhappy because they no longer work and feel that they should not have to pay the \$10.00. The current ordinance has an exemption which states anyone making over \$3,200 is required to pay the per capita tax, the last time the ordinance was updated was in 1982. Mr. Leone asked council review the ordinance. Mr. DiMarzio asked to have the Ordinance be reviewed at the next General Government meeting.

Mr. Leone pointed out to Council that there are a lot of faded street sweeping signs that need re-faced. He would like to re-visit the idea of changing the days and times. Mr. DiMarzio explained that a combination of snow days as well as street sweeping days should be on the signs. Mr. McKay advised council to refer it to committee.

OLD BUSINESS

Mr. McKay stated that he felt the segment on "Communities of Distinction" would be an asset in revitalizing the Downtown area. He also concluded by saying "in my opinion sometimes you have to spend a little to make things happen."

Mr. DiMarzio motioned to proceed with the "Communities of Distinction" segment and believes that this is going to be a very helpful tool to revitalize Monaca's Downtown he feels confident that Mr. Leone can raise the necessary funds to help alleviate some of the cost. Mr. Booher second.

Roll Call

Mr. Karczewski-**yes**

Mr. DiMarzio-**yes**

Ms. Rossi-**no**

Mr. Snyder-**no**

Mr. Krizan-**yes**

Mr. Wilson-**yes**

Mr. Ely-**no** longer on the line

Mr. Booher-**yes**

President McKay-**yes**

6 yes/2 no

Motion Carries

Road Opening Ordinance-Mr. Leone stated that it is still a work in progress.

Borough Census- the Company who is submitting a proposal is still compiling data. They pointed out that Monaca is divided into 4 quadrants; one of the quadrants qualifies for the low income CDBG Block Grant monies however the other 3 do not. They are looking to see if they are able to perform the Census on only 3 of the quadrants that may sufficient to get the monies and then they won't have to expend the dollars on the 4th quadrant. They want to make sure they perform the study in that manner to be acceptable for the grant money.

Mr. Karczewski asked regarding the paving bids and Mr. Leone replied that the Engineers are working on the bid packet.

Mr. DiMarzio pointed out that Center Rd. was in bad shape and asked what the Borough was doing about it. Mr. Leone replied that that they are going to do reclamation were they grind the road and then they will put asphalt down.

Citizens: Comments, Complaints, and Compliments

Kayla Holbert- 624 Penn Ave.

She was concerned with Antoline Park and had questions regarding the play area. Borough Manager Mario Leone explained to her that there is a Master Park Plan in progress and pointed out that she could look at the plans located in the lobby area to see the new changes coming to Antoline Park.

Announcements

Mr. Leone announced the Ohio River Trails Open House on Thursday, March 28th, 2013 from 3:00-6:00 Location: CCBC Bldg 9 Room 9103 Learning Center.

Adjournment

Mr. Snyder motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:18pm. Mr. DiMarzio second. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gabby Hernandez

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