

MONACA BOROUGH
March 26, 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

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| Mr. DiMarzio-present | Mrs. Rossi-Tesnovich-present |
| Mr. Snyder-absent (work) | Mr. Nichol-present |
| Mr. Krizan-present | Mr. Wilson-present |
| Mr. Booher-present | Mr. Karczewski-present |
| Mr. Ely-present (7:10pm) | President McKay-present |
| Mayor Antoline-present | |

Others Present

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

Engineers Report-Attached

Mr. Booher motioned to bid the paving project both ways - the overlay, and micro surfacing including the fiber material.
Mr. Karczewski second. Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes

Mr. Karczewski motioned to approve the Special Meeting Minutes and the Regular Meeting Minutes of March 12th 2013 Council Meeting. Mr. Booher second. Motion carried unanimously.

Fiscal and Contractual

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

Public Safety/Highway Committee

Mr. Karczewski reviewed the Public Safety Committee Meeting Minutes of 3/19/13-Attached

Mr. Booher motioned to advertise the sale of the 2005PT Cruiser. Mr. Wilson second. Motion carried unanimously.
Mr. Booher motioned to extend the street sweeping parking signs from April 1st thru Nov. 30th and the purchase of new signs. The Borough Manager explained to council that they will need to get inventory of all signs that need changed as well as adopt a new ordinance regulating the parking days, fines, etc. and look at the cost for replacing the signs. Mr. Booher rescinds his motion.

Mr. Booher motioned to allow the Solicitor and Borough Manager to modify the current Street Sweeping Ordinance. Mr. DiMarzio second. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. DiMarzio mentioned that there are a lot of old trees in Monaca and asked if there was a program out there that could replace with smaller trees. Mr. Ely replied that under Borough Code the Borough could appoint a shade tree committee; this committee could regulate and oversee the trees in the community.

President McKay explained that he revised 2 Towing Ordinances and forwarded to Chief Petures for review when he returns. Once he reviews council can view and comment.

Water/Waste Water/Health and Sanitation Committee

Mr. Wilson mentioned that he was at a seminar in Pittsburgh and was very impressed to hear a company from New York mention the Borough of Monaca's Leak Detection System and was pleased to see the Borough being recognized.

Mr. Booher motioned to approve the purchase of 2-CAT #367.134, 12inch mud valves in the amount of \$5,253.98 for the WWTP. Mr. Wilson second. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Booher motioned to approve the purchase of 2 VFD's for RAS Pumps (\$1,165.00 each) in the amount of \$2,360.00 for the WWTP. Mr. Ely second. Motion carried unanimously.

General Government Committee

Mr. DiMarzio reviewed the General Government Meeting Minutes of 3/19/13-Attached

Mr. Booher motioned to hire Brady McKay and Conner McKay at as part time seasonal summer help at a rate of \$7.50 per hour (May 1st thru Aug 30th). Mr. Karczewski second. President McKay abstained. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Wilson motioned to increase the hourly pay rate of Tony Caltury and Darren DeFelice to \$10 per hour. Mr. Booher second. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Booher motioned to extend the Per Capita Tax Ordinance to 65 years or older. Mr. Wilson second. Motion carried unanimously.

Borough Manager Mario Leone explained to council that the Knights of Columbus invited the Borough of Monaca to their Blue Mass Luncheon, Awards Ceremony and were going to be honoring Monaca Police Department; he asked council if they would be interested in submitting an ad for their program. Mr. Krizan kindly donated \$100 towards the purchase of a one page ad.

Monaca Volunteer Community Outreach Committee

Pat Majors indicated to Council that they have not been doing much with the kids since the weather has been cold. They will be cleaning the street s once the weather warms up on Pennsylvania Ave, 9th, and 17th. She will be breaking the kids up into 2 groups and will eventually get to cleaning some of the islands, and the pump house.

New Business

Borough Manager Mario Leone explained to council that he met with the insurance broker regarding the Benefits and he stated that unfortunately the news was not promising, we would have to renew at the full 15%, and there are a lot of factors associated with the increase, one would be the current performance on possible usage from the employee. The larger factor would be the Obama Care and the impact that it has. The Broker indicated that it should have been at 30% but because of the agreement being capped at 15% we did well. A couple other issues that came up were part time employees. With Obama Care part time is recognized as anyone working 30 hours a week as opposed to 32 hours and in addition the amount of days is 120 per year. Seasonal is defined as 90 days. Mr. Leone explained that these are things we have to consider when hiring.

In regards to the Church waterline project on Indiana the original contract required that they make a \$50,000 payment once the project was awarded. They are asking to make a 50% payment when they award the project and the other \$25,000 when the project is finalized.

Mr. DiMarzio motioned to accept a 50% payment from the Church on the Indiana Ave. for the waterline project. Mr. Ely second. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Leone explained that the Brothers Brother organization would be collecting all the old desks at CJ Mangin at the end of the week.

New Business

Mr. Ely inquired regarding putting the Library up for Bid. He feels that the borough should start moving forward with the library building. Mr. DiMarzio explained that a new elevator should be installed before the library transitions to the CJ Mangin facility. President McKay explained that there is funding from one grant and is waiting for more funding from the CDBG grant to put towards the cost of the elevator. Mr. DiMarzio asked Mr. Leone for his advice. He explained that there are 2 developers that are interested in the current library property. However the one is requesting a traffic signal at the intersection of Pennsylvania and 6th and that would take an additional commitment cost from the Borough should the Borough go with that individual. The other individual is interested in putting in a restaurant at the same location. They asked if the Borough would consider holding the note. Mr. DiMarzio recommends the Borough move forward with the sale of the property.

Mr. Booher motioned to put the library property up for bid. Mr. DiMarzio second. Mr. Ely explained that he would like specific conditions on the bid. Solicitor Urick advised Council that they need to specify all the conditions before they write up the bid, because they won't be able to change after the bid is advertised. Solicitor Urick advised Council to have the Committee review all the conditions and present them to him via a meeting or phone conference to be accurate. Mr. Booher and Mr. DiMarzio rescind their motion.

Mr. McKay said the committee will meet with Solicitor Urick to review their options.

Mr. McKay explained to Council that he will be working on a No Knock Solicitation Notice

Old Business

Communities of Distinction: Mr. Leone updated Council he had received a letter from Superintendent Dr. Matsook and is compiling information to send out with letter for donations.

Road Opening Ordinance: Is still a work in progress with Mr. Sadaka as well as Cog they are working on compiling data.

Parks, Curfew, and Pets Ordinance: Is moving closer

Recreational Vehicle Ordinance: President McKay is working on

Borough Census: The Company that he was talking to present proposal, is working to see exactly what will be required to present an accurate bid and not charge for unnecessary items.

Mayor Antoline announced that Chief Petures became a grandfather and was out of town visiting his daughter.

Mario Leone updated council regarding a recent accident that occurred at the WWTP which caused the fence to be damaged. The Police apprehended the person who hit the fence. An insurance claim will be submitted.

Citizens: Comments, Complaints, and Compliments

Ed Kroskey: 2502 Beaver Ave. - He received a letter from NSO Nick Vorrias regarding the Handicap Parking Signs. He has been having some issues with the neighbors and felt that the Borough was targeting him only. Mr. Leone explained that neither the Borough nor Mr. Vorrias is targeting him; we are only updating our records and asking all handicap residents to bring in their Doctor's note to provide the office with current information. Some residents have moved or no longer live in certain properties with Handicap signs and the Borough will need to remove these.

Juanita Nichol: 1020 Washington Ave. - wanted to make the Borough aware that there was a light in the plaza that was out. And also that there were cats running loose in her property. She also reported that someone had stolen one of her chairs while she was away.

Pat Majors: 1223 Atlantic Ave. - asked when the elevator is installed at CJ Mangin will it be ground level to second floor or will there be access to the basement? President McKay replied that it would be ground level to second floor. She also asked Mayor Antoline if they could do some pedestrian enforcement so that residents are safe when crossing.

President McKay announced the Storm Ready Program would be on April 10th & April 11th at CJ Mangin.

Adjournment

Mr. Booher motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:34pm. Mr. Karczewski second. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gabby Hernandez

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