

MONACA BOROUGH
Meeting Minutes
May 26th 2015 7:00 pm

The Regular Meeting of the Monaca Borough Council was held on the above date and time. The Meeting was opened with a Prayer by President DiMarzio and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Roll Call

Mr. Snyder-present	Mr. Booher-present
Mr. Nichol-present	Mr. Zigerelli-present
Mrs. Rossi-present	Mr. Wilson-present
Mr. McKay-present	Mr. Michel-arrived at 7:09 pm
Mr. May-present	President DiMarzio-present

Others Present

Mayor John Antoline
Mario N. Leone Jr.
Solicitor Rich Urick
Nick Urick, Esq.

Engineer's Report-attached

Mr. Michel arrived at this time, 7:09 pm.

Mr. Snyder motioned to grant request from Nikki & Taylor Miklos to hold Color Me Purple 5k on August 1st, 2015 in Monaca Heights. Second by Mr. Booher. Motion carried unanimously.

Communications

Mr. Leone read a thank you letter from the Knights of Columbus Woodlawn Council 2161 thanking Mayor Antoline and Borough Council for purchasing a 2015 Blue Mass program advertisement and supporting local police and law enforcement officers.

Mr. Snyder motioned to grant request from #4 VFD to hold 5k on October 10th, 2015. Second by Mr. McKay. Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes

Mr. Snyder motioned to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of May 12th, 2015. Second by Mr. McKay. Motion carried unanimously.

Fiscal and Contractual

Mr. Wilson motioned to approve the Monthly Bills. Second by Mr. Zigerelli. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Safety

Mr. McKay, Chairman, asked that Council start thinking about next year and the funds needed for new fire engines.

Mr. Booher motioned to reject bids for Crown Vic and keep it as a Neighborhood Services Officers vehicle. Second by Mr. Michel. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Booher motioned to accept the bid from Dan Wilson for the Mitsubishi in the amount of \$1,302.00.

Second by Mr. Michel. Mr. Wilson would like to formally decline voting on vehicle bid, due to highest bidder being a relation. Motion carried 9 to 1.

Blight Committee

Mr. Snyder, Chairman, wanted to remind Council of the condemned house on 14th Street Hill Extension. He stated the owner needs to be held accountable for the numerous violations on the property. He would also like the Borough owned properties on Bechtel Street and Pennsylvania Avenue to be sold.

Highway Committee

Mr. Snyder, Chairman, stated that the Street Sweeping Program has begun and he wants to see the Highway Department be able to complete their work needing addressed before anything else; he feels they are being re-directed to other non-highway tasks.

Building and Grounds/Recreation/Library Committee

Mr. Booher motioned to award janitorial proposal for Borough Offices to Health Basic Cleaning System. Second by Mr. Wilson. Motion carried unanimously.

General Government Committee

Mr. Booher motioned to authorize Solicitor Urick to review and prepare vacant property Ordinance. Second by Mr. McKay. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Booher motioned to approve quote from MGSoft-Net for Borough Office server upgrades in the amount of \$5,550.00 to \$6,250.00. Second by Mr. Zigerelli. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Booher motioned to table motion to hire Anthony Wilson as a temporary, seasonal, part-time employee in the Public Works Department at \$8.50 per hour/not to exceed 24 hrs per week. Second by Mr. Snyder. Motion carried unanimously.

Monaca Volunteer Community Outreach Committee

Mrs. Majors, Chairman, stated that the planting in the downtown islands have been completed.

Downtown Business Authority

Mrs. Majors, Chairman, stated that the Committee held a meeting last Thursday with the property owners of the vacant buildings on Pennsylvania Ave. to discuss ideas on how to clean them up and rent.

Manager's Report

Mr. Leone updated Council on the progress with the (2) municipal interns and the work they have started with GIS Mapping of the street signs in the Borough. He also advised Council that developers are looking into different opportunities in Monaca.

New Business

Mayor Antoline stated that the Housing Authority Police detail has begun. He also updated Council on the progress with the 175th Anniversary Celebration.

Citizens: Comments, Complaints, and Compliment

Michaela and Bo Braun, 905 McClelland, were in attendance to discuss with Council their recently applying for a fence permit, and why they do not agree with the size requirements. Solicitor Urick will look into the Zoning Ordinance and provide an opinion on the requirements of a corner lot.

Jim Fredericks, 827 Ohio Ave., was in attendance and stated that he just had a neighbor erect a fence and checked the Borough's regulations and saw front yard was 3 foot, side yard 4 foot and rear 6 foot, he doesn't recall seeing anything on corner lot restrictions.

Old Business

Council discussed the action list provided to them by President DiMarzio.

Mr. Michel motioned to keep discussion of possible reduction of Council under Old Business for further discussion.

Roll Call

Mr. Booher-no	Mr. Zigerelli-no
Mrs. Rossi-no	Mr. Snyder-yes
Mr. McKay-yes	Mr. Nichol-no
Mr. May-no	Mr. Wilson-no
Mr. Michel-yes	President DiMarzio-yes

Motion carried 6 to 4 to remove from Old Business List.

Mr. Booher motioned to remove discussion of WWTP Lab being out sourced. Second by Mr. Zigerelli. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Michel motioned to remove discussion of painting Borough Logo seal on Municipal Building. Second by Mr. Zigerelli. Mr. McKay voted no. Motion carried 9 to 1.

Mr. Booher motioned to remove discussion of videotaping Council Meetings. Second by Mr. Zigerelli.

Roll Call

Mr. Zigerelli-yes	Mrs. Rossi-yes
Mr. Snyder-no	Mr. McKay-no
Mr. Nichol-yes	Mr. May-yes
Mr. Wilson-no	Mr. Michel-no
Mr. Booher-yes	President DiMarzio-no

Mayor Antoline broke tie and voted no. Motion carried 6 to 5 to discuss further.

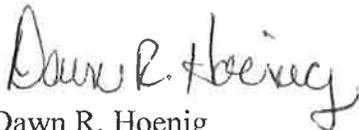
Mr. McKay motioned to keep discussion of signs not being posted in the islands under Old Business. Second by Mr. Michel. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. May requested that Council look into a phone system for Council Chambers when conferencing in on meetings, it's very difficult to hear when more than 1 person is talking.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Mr. Michel motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:10pm. Second by Mr. Snyder. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,



Dawn R. Hoenig

**MONACA BOROUGH
ENGINEER'S PROGRESS REPORT
May 26, 2015**

The following progress report provides updated information to Borough Council and staff for current projects.

1. **2015 Paving Project**

We will take pavement cores on the streets to determine the existing pavement thickness.

Road Paving Program for 2015 (Revised List):

1. Maple Alley- from 10th St to 11th St.
2. Bechtel St. EXT. from Kazer St. to the top of hill/Kermiet

11th st will not be included in the paving program due to issues with drainage and sanitary sewer lines.

2. **Sanitary Sewer Problems – Various Areas**

The Street Department currently has several sanitary sewer issues. The problems have been investigated and we have been given the inspection videos. Upon review of inspection videos, we have the following recommendations:

11th Street – The sanitary sewers between Virginia Avenue and Washington Avenue were not able to be fully televised due to debris, sediment and water ponding in the line. These sewers should be cleaned and re-televised to get a more complete assessment of the condition of the lines.

Elm Street Sewer Collapse – The 8" TCP section of line between Locust St. and Eckert Road is approximately 218 feet long. Due to broken pipes, a section of approximately 43 feet in the middle of the line could not be televised. We recommend that broken sewer in the middle of the run be repaired by open-cut method (approximately 60 feet long and +/-11 feet deep).

Holly Alley (near Volunteer Fire Department) – The Holly Alley/Palmetto Alley sewer connects to Manhole No. 34 at the intersection of Ohio Avenue and Front Street. This section is approximately 669 feet long and has two 90 degree turns in the alignment. We recommend that a manhole be installed at the intersection of Holly Alley and Palmetto Alley (the estimated depth is 8 feet to 13 feet) to divide this long segment in two. The new manhole can then be used to clean and televise the Holly Alley sewer further. Further repairs on Holly Alley would be determined based on further investigations.

Beaver Ave – The sanitary sewer leaves Beaver Avenue and goes under an existing building towards the railroad tracks. The sewer is failing and is mostly blocked by debris and requires frequent cleaning to avoid causing backups. This issue requires further investigation.

3. **21st Street**

We are working on revising the survey plans so that 21st Street can be vacated in its entirety.

4. **Floodplain Ordinance**

We are working together with the State's point of contact and the Borough Manager to have a draft flood ordinance created for review.

5. **Consumer Confidence Report (CCR)**

The 2014 CCR (a.k.a. Annual Drinking Water Quality Report) is complete and was sent to the Borough to be disseminated to water customers.