MONACA BOROUGH
Meeting Minutes
November 10th, 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. Nichol-absent
Mrs. Rossi-present
Mr. McKay-present
Mr. May-absent
Mr. Booher-present
Mr. Zigerelli-present
Mr. Wilson-present
Mr. Michel-present
President DiMarzio-present

Others Present

Mayor John Antoline
Solicitor Rich Urick
Nick Urick, Esq.

Communications

Vice President McKay read a letter received from Harmony Township Police Chief thanking the Monaca Police Department for their heartfelt concern and generosity during their ordeal on October 28th.

Minutes

Mr. Booher motioned to approve Regular Meeting Minutes of October 27th, 2015 Council Meeting. Second by Mr. Wilson. Motion carried unanimously.

Fiscal and Contractual

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

Mayor's Report

Monetary Receipts-$3,281.00
Citations & Warnings-170
Parking Tickets-1
Call for Service-156
Mayor Antoline thanked all the Veteran's for their dedication and service, and also everyone that assisted with this year's Halloween Parade and festivities; especially the Monaca Recreation Board. He wanted to remind new and existing Council Members that any issues with the Monaca Police Department are to be directed to him.

Public Works Committee

Mr. Wilson, Chairman, stated that the next Public Works Committee Meeting will be held Tuesday, November 17th at 6:00 pm, prior to the 2nd 2016 Budget Meeting at 7:00 pm.
Danny Colville, Road Foreman, reviewed the monthly report with Council.
Curt DiGiovine, Waste Water Treatment Plant Superintendent, reviewed the monthly report with Council.

General Government Committee

Mr. Booher motioned to approve Procurement Credit Card Rebate Program. Second by Mr. Wilson. Motion carried unanimously.
Mr. Wilson motioned to approve proposal from Halama Brothers in the amount of $10,304.00 for electrical repairs to well #14. Second by Mr. Booher. Motion carried unanimously.

Borough Solicitor's Report
Solicitor Urick advised Council that the closing on 1119 Pennsylvania Ave. property occurred on Friday, November 6th.

New Business
Mr. Wilson asked what the status is for the Council Seat held by Mr. Ron May and his intentions to be involved the next two months. Individuals elected by Monaca Borough Residents are in attendance and if Mr. May intends not to be here and has resigned what is the procedure for the newly elected Councilman to fill the seat at this time.
Solicitor Urick stated that first Mr. May would need to resign for the seat to be vacant; was a resignation letter submitted and accepted. Once the letter is submitted, Council would need to act upon the resignation by accepting then act upon the resignation within 30 days.

Citizens: Comments, Complaints, and Compliments
Chris Shotter, 903 Kazer Street, asked if Mr. May has submitted a change of address? If so per the Borough Code, Council Members elected must be a resident and if moving outside from where they are elected to represent, automatically disqualifies themselves from office.
Robert Mazenka, 1628 Beaver Ave., was in attendance to discuss with Council his willingness to still Chair the Monaca Fallfest for next year. He did approach the Downtown Business District and was unsuccessful receiving any authorization from them. He is asking if the Borough Council can override the Business Authority and grant him permission to begin sending letters to vendors. President DiMarzio asked that Mr. Mazenka be patient until the beginning of the year for Council to address who will take over the Fallfest Committee.
Chris Shotter, 903 Kazer Street, stated that #4 VFD approached Council last year requesting to take over Monaca Fallfest, at that time they were told that the Fireman could take it over for one year then the Borough would take it over, so the VFD decided not to vest in for the 1 year and he is asking if Council would consider that the VFD's take it over rather than a new group for 2016.
George Robbie, 1624 Beaver Ave., was in attendance to let Council know that Enterprise, located on 9th Street, will be relocating next month to Vanport and that the move has nothing to do with the Borough; there is just not enough room at the current location. He also wanted to make Council aware that a piece of the railroad track on 14th Street hill is sticking up, if a call could be made to CSX.
Anthony Santilli, 1050 Linden Street, was in attendance due to a sign that was located on the corner of Bechtel and Marshall inviting residents to the Council Meeting to discuss the change in trash collection.
Mr. Wilson wanted to be clear, on record, that the sign was not placed there by the Borough or employees.
Mr. Santilli also requested that Linden Street, Taylor Avenue and Welch be placed on a list for repairs.
Tom Scarpone, 853 Ohio Ave., wanted to compliment Danny Colville and the Highway Department for their hard work on keeping the roads safe and clear. He also wanted to state that Ohio Ave. is a very narrow Road and is concerned with the trash collection change being moved to the front, that this will create a safety issue. He feels there needed to be better communication with the residents regarding this change.
Lowell Engelman Sr., 1145 Bechtel Street, was in attendance to request that the trash receptacles be moved from on Pennsylvania Ave. in front of Sakura Restaurant. Mr. Booher stated that they were relocated last week. He also feels that the trash collection being moved in the Monaca Heights to front collection is going to create a safety hazard.
Amy Rowland, 830 Colonial Ave., wanted to ask when Waste Management's Contract ends and also is asking if someone from Council can discuss with WM workers taking an anger management class. She has had to replace numerous cans due to her cans being thrown. She is concerned with the change in collection for the elderly residents having to drag their cans from the back to front. She is asking if a permit is required to build a crib in front of the property's to hold resident's trash cans.
Amy Campbell, was in attendance to ask why Agendas were not published prior to the Council Meetings, she would like to be a part of what is happening in her town. If she had known that Waste Management was at the last meeting, she would have attended. She is asking when will Council re-evaluated their decision on changing the trash collection.

Sharon Hess, 1165 Elm Street, was in attendance to notify Council that she was not notified of the change. She also asked who she needs to talk to regarding a street light near her property that is out.
Michelle Vicznesky, 1028 Summit Ave., was in attendance to ask what the status was with the out of service fire hydrant at the end of her driveway. She is asking how long does it take for them to be repaired? She is concerned with winter coming and people turning on their furnaces. Mr. Wilson stated that the Water Department is aware of the situation and assured Mrs. Vicznesky that the hydrant is still operational if a fire occurs, but does need work, possibly a valve or leak may be occurring.
Melissa Ball, 828 Jackson Ave., was in attendance to discuss with Council the change in trash collection and the problem she is experiencing with limited parking due to her property abutting the #5VFD parking lot. She is asking if she is able to place her trash where the yellow line is painted. Mr. McKay stated that he does not see that as a problem, the yellow line is mainly so that fire trucks are able to leave the garages safely. She commended Mr. Mazenka for his willingness to take over Fallfest, and offered any assistance she can to him. She also commended Chris Shotter for developing the Our Monaca Web-site.

Executive Session
Mr. Michel motioned to enter Executive Session at 8:53 pm to discuss a legal matter with DEP. Second by Mr. Snyder. Motion carried unanimously.
Mr. Booher motioned to re-enter chambers at 9:10 pm. Second by Mr. Michel. Motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment
There being no further business, Mr. Booher motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:27 pm. Second by Mr. Snyder. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

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