

MONACA BOROUGH
Meeting Minutes
October 14th, 2014 7:00 pm

The Regular Meeting of the Monaca Borough Council was called to order 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-absent	Mr. Zigerelli-present
Mrs. Rossi-absent	Mr. Wilson-present
Mr. McKay-absent	Mr. Krizan-absent
Mr. Michel-present	President DiMarzio-present

Others Present

Mayor John Antoline
Mario N. Leon Jr.
Solicitor Rich Urick

Visitors: Comments in regard to items on the Agenda

Nell Boswell 1104 Indiana Ave.-Ms. Boswell was inquiring on available space in CJ Mangin for the relocation of Kid Country Day Care. She explained she has had a daycare for 14 years, she asked for 5 rooms and the use of the kitchen, her hours would be 6:30am-6:30 pm. Mr. Michel asked if a security system was required by the state. Ms. Boswell replied no. Mr. Snyder asked if the children would be roaming the school/halls. Ms. Boswell replied "No, the children are never unsupervised and a staff member is always with them". Mario Leone explained that Ms. Boswell would have to fill out a conditional use application and a Planning Commission meeting would have to be scheduled. He also gave her an approximate 30 day time frame, once the Planning Commission has reviewed, Council would then have to vote. Ms. Boswell said that would be ok. Solicitor Urick stated that a lease would have to be drawn.

Minutes

Mr. Booher motioned to approve Regular Meeting Minutes of September 23rd, 2014 Council Meeting. Mr. Zigerelli second. Motion carried unanimously.

Fiscal and Contractual

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

Standing Committees and New Business

Mayor's Report

Citations & Warnings-61

Parking Tickets-47

Call for Service-153

Monetary receipts-\$3,689.79

Mayor Antoline updated Council on the meeting that was held last week for Monaca's 175th Celebration. He stated that the celebration would be the week of June 22nd 2015. In the meeting a dinner prior to the festivities was mentioned and Turners is currently reserved to hold that Dinner. He will continue to update council with any new information. Mr. Michel asked if there was any movement with the vehicles in the library. Mayor Antoline replied "no". Mr. Michel said he would like to see some movement. President DiMarzio said he would refer to Public Safety for review. Mr. Wilson asked if all vehicles had title. Only 2 vehicles have title.

Highway Committee

Mr. DiMarzio stated that he had spoken to Mr. Krizan and they had discussed having a 20 ton stock pile of salt on reserve to have as back up should it be necessary. Mario Leone said that we have a salt shed with plenty of storage capacity.

Building and Grounds/Recreation/Library Committee

Mr. Michel asked if the intention was to purchase one of the buildings for Antoline Park. Mario Leone explained it's to construct one of the buildings. The project budget would be approximately 250,000. Mayor Antoline stated that his company bid on a Pavilion similar to this project and it was approximately 200,000. Mario Leone explained that it all depends on the material used for the facades as well as fixtures inside, concession area, etc. There is also site work, water and sanitary hookups. Total cost 300,000/ 150,000 thru the grant and \$150,000 was matched thru the Borough. Mr. DiMarzio asked Mario Leone to elaborate to the audience on the type of building they are discussing. Mr. Leone explained that they are talking about building a "comfort station" this is a building with restroom facilities, a concession area as well as multiple storage areas. It I covered by a pavilion area that is 770sq ft x 770sq ft. It is proposed to put in a green roof. A green roof is basically a roof with wild grass that takes in rain water and slows down the run off. One of the components on getting the grant was designing it in an environmentally sustainable way. There have also been comments on possibly putting solar panels on it. Mario Leone also stated that he would leave the drawings out should anyone be interested in looking at them at the end of the meeting.

Water/Wastewater/Health and Sanitation Committee

Mr. Wilson stated that there was no water meeting due to prior engagements from all members of committee. He also stated that Jared McKay was not able to attend the meeting due to personal issues he needed to attend to. Mr. Wilson thanked Russell Kopecky, Simon Short and Darren DeFelice for helping the water department with water breaks. There were 2 last week and also for their help with the Beaver Ave. project, all under direction of Mario Leone. Mr. Wilson also mentioned that there was an incident at the Pump House with the one of the VFD's burning up. The VFD is insured and a new one has been ordered. The electrical engineer is currently looking into what caused the VFD to burn up. Mr. Michel asked Mr. Wilson what the intentions were with the fountain, he feels that it gobbles up a lot of money and time from the employees. Mr. Michel feels that the fountain should be repaired so that more money doesn't have to be spent on it or make it null and void. He also stated the originators of the VFD were Santangelo & Lyden. He feels that something has been changed since this is the 4th time the VFD has burnt up. Mr. Michel said his intentions are to go back to the originators for consultation. Mr. Wilson said he had no issue going back to the originators and feels that every avenue needs investigated. He also agreed that the fountain needs a lot of work. Mr. Snyder also agrees that the fountain takes a lot of time and money; he feels it should be turned into a parking lot. Mr. DiMarzio agrees the fountain is costly but feels that there should be a game plan, he suggest that Mario Leone get together with the Building and Grounds Committee to come up with an idea should the fountain be terminated.

Mr. Michel motioned to approve the trench box in the amount of \$5,150.00 Mr. Wilson second. Motion carried
Curt DiGiovine reviewed the monthly Wastewater Treatment Plant report with Council.

Mr. Booher motioned to accept the bid from Mesta Industrial Contracting in the amount of \$16,900. Mr. Zigerelli second. Motion Carried.

General Government Committee

Mr. Booher explained that the General Government Committee has not had a meeting. He mentioned that he has been communicating with Mario Leone and Solicitor Urick pertaining to the Pre-Negotiations of Local 47.

Mario Leone explained that two applications were submitted for the Water Plant Operator; however one of the applicants does not have the "A" license and does not meet the credential criteria. He stated that Eric Fredericks has an "A" license.

Mr. Michel asked if Mr. Fredericks provided any information as far as education, time, and service at the water plant.

Does he meet the requirements in order to get this job? Mr. Leone replied "I believe he does". Mr. Michel stated that in order to have the "A" license time in the field is required. Mr. Leone further explained that currently there is a water plant operator that holds an "A" license with time in the field that can sign documents, Mr. Fredericks would not be signing any documents but would hold the "A" license as a backup. Should Mr. Fredericks need to accrue time in the field he may do so while working in the water department.

Mr. DiMarzio asked for executive session pertaining to the Water Plant Operator. Mr. Snyder makes the motion. Mr. Michel second. Motion carried.

Mr. Snyder motioned to re-enter Council Chambers at 7:50. Mr. Michel second. Motion carried

Mr. Leone explained that the Cyber Insurance was presented to Council last meeting and all had a chance to review it. Four options were presented. He asked Council for the decision as to what option to go with. Mario recommended option 2 or 3. **Option 2** is for \$1,865(yearly) with 250,000 insurance coverage. **Option 3** is for \$2,322(yearly) with \$500,000 insurance coverage. Mr. Booher motioned to accept option 3 of the Cyber Insurance. Mr. Michel second.

Solicitor Urick explained that the Planning Commission would have to meet and make recommendation for the use of CJ Mangin for Kid Country Day Care. The process would be a 45 day procedure and would be scheduled for the last meeting in November he would try to get it earlier if possible.

Council of Government Report

Mr. Booher stated that they had their Symposium on September 25th, 5 member of council attended. They talked about land banking; they need 10,000 people in community to start a land bank. Mr. Booher stated that Mario Leone was kind enough to stand up and put the Commissioner on the spot and asked what the 3.1 million dollars that they just received; could they possibly make those funds available to start a land bank through the COG. Mr. DiMarzio asked Mr. Booher to start a committee for Blyth Vacant Abandoned Property.

Managers Report

Mario Leone explained that the library grant has been submitted. Mr. Wilson asked if the Library had to go thru the Planning Commission before entering CJ Mangin. Solicitor Urick stated that the library is part of the community and is governmental function and is permitted in any zoned district.

Mario Leone updated council regarding an article in SNL magazine pertaining to Sustaining affordable power, he also mentioned that Monaca is going to be featured in a 5 part series that is being done the Carnegie Mellon Foundation with 10 min segment clips. Monaca will be featured in the 3rd part of the segment.

Solicitors Report

Solicitor Urick updated Council on a letter that was sent to the Borough by the Watch Tower Bible and Tract Society the letter states that they had been told they would need a permit for solicitation. Solicitor Urick responded to the letter by saying that if a "No Soliciting" sign of any sort should be on a residence they should respect that. He has not heard back from them.

He also mentioned that Council may want to consider vacating all of 21st Street from the railroad tracks to Beaver Ave. Solicitor Urick stated that had been talking to Mario regarding the lease for the Blaine Water Tank and is waiting to hear back from them.

He filed a brief on the Tom Suica Right to Know and should be decided within the next 2 weeks.

Drafts on the recreational vehicle ordinance and solicitation ordinance have been sent out for council to review.

He has not begun working on the 1550 Pennsylvania Ave. and Bechtel street actions acquired title.

He is also working on the draft of the amendment for the Plumbers and Steamfitters.

New Business

Mr. Snyder said he received a call from a downtown resident who believes angle parking would work in the downtown area. Mr. Wilson would like to go back to holding workshops prior to the Council Meetings. Mr. Wilson motioned. Mr. Snyder second. Mr. DiMarzio said that they had a gentleman's agreement and there were council members not present. Mr. Wilson resends his motion. Mr. Zigerelli thinks workshops would be a good idea.

Mr. Michel asked about the 2 bids that he submitted for the lab. He's trying to save some money, and asked to have them considered for the budget.

Announcements

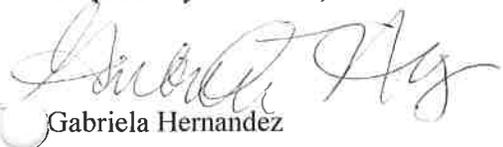
Halloween Parade October 25th 2014

Trick or Treat Night October 30th 2014 6pm-8pm

Adjournment

There being no further business, Mr. Snyder motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:19pm. Second by Mr. Zigerelli. Motion carried unanimously

Respectfully submitted,


Gabriela Hernandez