

MONACA BOROUGH
Telecommunications via Zoom Application
Council Meeting Minutes
October 13th, 2020 at 7:02pm

The Regular Meeting of the Monaca Borough Council was held on the above date and time via the Zoom communication remote application. The Meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Roll Call

Mrs. Majors-present	Mr. McLaughlin- present
Mr. Mitchell- present	Mr. Blanarik- present
(Vacant)	Mr. Michel- present
Mr. LaPearle- present	Vice President Shotter- present
Mr. Wilson- present at 8:10	President Booher- present
Mayor Simon D. Short-present	

Others Present

David L. Kramer, Jr. & Rich Urick, Esq.,

Visitors: Curt DiGiovine, WWTP Superintendent, asked that under New Business #4, the motion to lease the street sweeper, he asked if it was lease to own. President Booher said yes.

Communications: None

Minutes: Mr. Mitchell **motioned** to approve September 22nd, 2020 **Virtual Workshop** Meeting Minutes. Second by Mr. Motion carried unanimously.

Fiscal and Contractual- VP Shotter **motioned** to approve the monthly bills. Second by Mr. McLaughlin. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayors Report- Mayor Short gave his report for the month of September 2020.

Citations and Parking Tickets: **487**

Criminal Arrests: **17**

Call For Service: **454**

Total Miles patrolled: **3,743 miles**

Managers' Report: Mr. Kramer gave a brief update. Budget requests from the departments are due Friday, October 16th and then he will then get the budget prepared for council. Public works is prepping work for the pavers on Elmira, more pipe was ordered for Blaine Road. Lastly, Mr. Kramer gave recognition to Angel & the "Happy Weeders" for their beautiful fall decorations around the downtown area. He also recolored Gabby, Curt and Jared for working together and getting a new vendor on board, Approved Toilets which will bring in additional revenue to the borough. President Booher added Logan Hutton, 16 year old Monaca resident to the list to be recognized as he has recently been doing trash clean up near the boat launch area every Wednesday and Sunday. Mr. Blanarik suggested giving a letter of recognition to young Logan. President Booher had confirmed Mrs. Majors is already working on this.

Solicitors Report: Solicitor Urick gave his report. He is waiting to hear back from Lawyers Abstract for the title search for the parking lot that the borough is purchasing for one dollar from the Parking Authority. He's still dealing with the Maddock property on the hill, still waiting on the committee's response. He also mentioned no word on changes in job description for Borough Managers position and likewise the committee hasn't formulated a specific response on the police contract negotiations. Lastly, he said Mr. Kramer will let him know when they get the ordinance to make changes to the pension language for the other collective bargaining agreement. Finally, they will be getting a formal letter from Moody's, rating service, for bonds and explained. Mr. Michel asked about the rating. Solicitor Urick said it is not permissible to say yet and Mr. Kramer will send the report to council once it's sent to him.

Department Report – Curt DiGiovine, WWTP Supervisor was in attendance and gave September 2020 report.

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Ordinance Review Committee Report- VP Shotter had nothing to report at this time.

Monaca Recreation Report- Mr. Blanarik said they cancelled all remaining events until the end of the year. If they must meet, they will do it remotely as well.

New Business:

1. Mr. Blanarik **motioned** to adopt Ordinance No. 971 (Debt Ordinance). Second by Mr. Mitchell. Motion carried unanimously.
2. President Booher explained that himself, Dave and Nick are looking at more details for King Plan Lot and he would like this to be tabled to the next meeting. VP Shotter **motioned** to table King Plan of Lot Revision for Parcels: 38-004-0900.000, 38-004-0900.002, & 38-004-0900.009 recommended by Monaca Planning Commission until next meeting. Second by Mr. Mitchell. Mr. Michel asked a question about dimensions. President Booher answered accordingly. There were no other questions. Motion carried unanimously.
3. Mr. LaPearle **motioned** to approve the option of structural rehabilitation of the existing waterline using Cured-in-Place-Piping (CIPP) for the Pennsylvania Avenue Waterline Replacement Project and authorize Widmer Engineering to work with SGA on waterline & sidewalk project to achieve one Pennsylvania State Permit for the two projects. Second by Mrs. Majors. Motion carried unanimously.
4. Mr. Blanarik **motioned** to lease Street Sweeper from Three Rivers Sweep, Inc. in the amount of \$247,768.00. (7 year lease, payments \$38,869.45/yr.). Second by Mr. Mitchell. Motion carried unanimously. President Booher then gave recognition to Road Foreman Jake Iorio for talking down the price and getting a good trade in value for the current sweeper at \$15,000.00. He also wanted to confirm the sweeper will be purchased out of liquid fuels and half out of Sewer.

Citizens: Councilperson-Patricia Majors, 1223 Atlantic Avenue-announced there is a fundraiser for the Monaca CDC going on at Boscov's, October 13th-15th. Anyone who makes a purchase will get 20% discount and 5% will go toward CDC. They have a wish list to get enough donation of gift cards for families in needs for the holidays.

Announcements/Attachments: Mayor Short read the following announcements. **Leaf Collection** program is every Monday from October 6th to December 7th and **Trick-or-Treat** is Thursday October 29th between 6PM-8PM. Please follow the CDC Guidelines and be safe. Mayor Short also announced the Monaca CDC will be conducting the Nutcracker Decorating competition once again this year. More information will be given at the next council meeting.

Lastly, Curt Digiovine, WWTP Superintendent gave an update on the new GM Truck and the undercoating will not be covered. He explained they will have to get it elsewhere. Mr. Michel asked about the bed lining. Councilman Mitchell gave a suggestion of a place that does lining and undercoating and will send the information to Curt.

Executive Session: VP Shotter **motioned** to go into Executive Session for Personnel at 7:29pm. Second by Mr. McLaughlin. Motion carried unanimously.

*Due to being unable to let the Public back into the Zoom meeting, the Executive Session and meeting of **October 13th, 2020** was continued to the next regular meeting of **November 10th, 2020** council meeting which a quorum was present. Council voted to adjourn Executive Session and returned to regular session at which a motion was made by Mr. Blanarik and second by Mr. Michel to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,


Brittany Bologna, Secretary

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