

**Monaca Borough
Workshop Meeting Minutes
December 4th, 2018 at 7:00pm**

The Work Shop Meeting of the Monaca Borough Council was held on the above date and time. The Meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Roll Call

Mr. Snyder- **absent**
Mrs. Majors - present
Mr. McGown- present
Mr. LaPearle- present
Mr. Wilson- present

Mr. Rebich- **absent**
Mr. Blanakik- present
Mr. Michel- **absent**
Vice President Shotter- present
President Booher- present

Others Present

Mayor Short; Mario N. Leone, Jr.;

List of Attendees:

Jared McKay was in attendance as the representative for the Water Department. He began by presenting to council a pamphlet of an exercise valve machine that was demo'd a couple weeks ago by himself and the road foreman Jake. They are highly interested in it and have been for a while. Jared explained the machine's particulars and how it was able to clean out an old valve box in town which they found an old Pepsi bottle from the 1960's. He said they would not have been able to clean the box as thoroughly as they did without the certain machine. He then passed the pamphlet around of the Herco model for council's review. Jared went on explaining the different types of units the brand has to offer. Mr. Leone stated this unit can also be used as a mini hydro-excavator which can be utilized in some complex water breaks. President Booher asked Jared to gather all information on the unit so it can be added to the agenda since they've been asking for this for a while. Mr. Leone said the price should be around \$46k from Costars, and he also confirmed it will be taken out of the bond. Mr. Wilson agreed to have it put on the next agenda since funds are already available and the machine is needed and will be continuously used. Mr. Wilson then asked if Jared has kept a list of valves that need changed around the Borough. Jared confirmed they do keep a list and he said the first problem area to change valves would be the downtown area. He then gave an update on the Wells in the Borough and how each is functioning as of now. He did let council know they have been investigating Well 16's pump for about 2 months now due to an issue. Ever since they purchased the pump about a year ago from Ohio Drilling, the Well has been losing water flow, but they cannot find the reason why. Jared explains he is trying to do all he can to figure it out. Mr. LaPearle asked him to mark down all his work that he is doing on the pump. Jared explains it's just not producing enough water as it should. Council and Jared discussed the issue further. He will document anything that he is doing per council's request and keep them posted.

Items to Discuss: Mr. Leone welcomed Chief Piuri to the podium to assist discussing adding a Corporal Position to the Civil Service Rules & Regulations and the steps to follow. Chief stated first, they need to change the Borough Code to reflect this change and the Civil Service Rules and Regulations need updated which would be done by the Civil Service Board. Second, the Ordinance will need to be advertised and then approved by council. The discussion was then directed toward hiring the new Central Valley Middle School Resource Officer. Chief touched base on the meeting he and Mr. Leone had with Superintendent Dr. Perry last week. He also exemplified the urgency in hiring a part-time police officer soon to fill the full-time police officers position that will be taking the Resource Officers job. He explained how the Beaver County list for Police officers are very slim these days so they will need to act fast and he will be putting an ad in the paper. Mr. Wilson asked to confirm the weekly shifts and how many officers are on duty per day. Chief stated there are three shifts per day, two officers on duty for each shift. It was discussed in further detail about the particular shifts that will need filled to help prevent overtime calls. Mr. Leone said Dr. Perry is working on a memorandum, which is not completed yet for the new resource officer that council had requested. Mr. Shotter reiterated the salary of the resource officer for the middle school will be paid by the grant received by the School. Mr. Leone went over what will be written in the memorandum. Council discussed and debated what they want from the Township/school board. Mr. Shotter asked for Mr. Leone to please schedule another meeting with the school and negotiate once more about salary since there is no compromise from neither council nor the school board. Council asked for details of the CV High School Resource Officer's contract and the like. Council, Chief and Mr. Leone discussed how this officer is paid at the High School and what type of agreement Center Township has with the Center Township Police Department. Mr. Leone said there is no written agreement as of now and they do not have all the details pertaining to the CV High School

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Resource officer at this time to compare. Chief Piuri and council debated who should be included at these meetings and maybe the right people are not meeting. Mr. Shotter insisted Chief and Mr. Leone to go back to the school board to negotiate everything. On the contrary, Mr. Leone said he insists members of Council should be included in this next meeting. Mr. McGown compared Monaca citizen's tax dollars to Center Township's and how there should be no difference in the tax amount. What Monaca pays for the middle school resource officer should be the same as what Center Township pays for the High School officer. Council discussed. Chief suggested this board to meet with their board and come up with a package that will meet everyone's criteria. President Booher said he will reach out to whom he needs to speak with to set up this meeting. Lastly, Mayor Short agreed to set up a meeting so they can get this accomplished. Chief was dismissed from the meeting at this time.

Manager's Update: Mr. Leone gave a quick recap on the Monaca Planning Commission meeting that was held at 6:30pm that evening. A representative from KU Resources attended the meeting to explain to the board the Blight Study for reconstruction on Pennsylvania Avenue. He said the board recommended it which he then insisted the Resolution be added for adoption at the next council meeting.

Old Business: Mr. Shotter ran through the updated Old Business list and touched base on a few pending items. Mayor Short traced back to the Corporal Position to be added to the Civil Service Rules & Regulations. Mr. Shotter reiterated the Corporal position is to help the police department with the day-to-day duties as they stated back in February. Mayor gave clarification to the duties of the newly added position. Mayor confirmed the ordinance needs to be approved and changes to be made to the rules & regulations. Mr. Shotter asked if there as ever discussions for the next contract that the corporal officer will ask for a pay increase. President Booher answered accordingly stating they will more than likely renegotiate the contract in the future but there is no guarantee if a raise will be given or not. Mr. Shotter also asked what the Borough gains for having a Corporal. Mayor Short explained this gives the actual title to the officer who has always been the liaison for these duties anyway.

Announcements: December 6th is the 3rd Annual "Reason for the Season Holiday Concert" at Redeemer Lutheran Church, beginning at 7:30pm. December 1st-15th, The Monaca Fire Department will be accepting nominations for the annual Secret Santa campaign. Donations will be accepted at Monaca #4 VFD, during Christmas tree hours. December 15th, Santa will be returning to visit the boys and girls of Monaca and will be escorted by the Monaca Volunteer Fire Department.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Mr. Shotter **motioned** to adjourn at 9:33pm. Second by Mrs. Majors. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,


Brittany Bologna, Secretary