

**MONACA BOROUGH**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**August 28<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 7:01 pm**

The Regular 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- <b>absent</b>	Mr. Rebich- present
Mrs. Majors - present	Mr. Blararik- present
Mr. McGown- present	Mr. Michel- present @ 7:02pm
Mr. LaPearle- present	VP Shotter - present
Mr. Wilson- present @ 7:22pm	President Booher- present

**Others**

Mayor Simon Short- present; Mario N. Leone, Jr. – present; Rich Urick, Esq. - present

**Engineers Report**-Tony Sadaka of Widmer Engineer gave his report.

**Visitors**- none

**Communications**- none

**Mayors Report**-Mayor Short gave his report for July 2018

Citations and Parking Tickets: **108**

Criminal Arrests: **18**

Call For Service: **530**

**Minutes**- Mr. McGown motioned to approve the **Regular** Meeting Minutes from the August 14<sup>th</sup>, 2018 Council Meeting. Second by Mrs. Majors. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. LaPearle motioned to approve the **Work Shop** Meeting Minutes of August 21<sup>st</sup>, 2018. Second by Mr. Blararik. Motion carried unanimously.

**Fiscal and Contractual**- Vice President Shotter motioned to approve the monthly bills. Second by Mr. McGown. Motion carried unanimously.

**Managers' Report**- Mr. Leone called Consultant Sean Garrigan from SGA to the podium to elaborate on their meeting that day with Duquesne Light Representatives. Sean stated that overall it was a positive meeting. Their primary focus was on the segment between 10<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> Street, Phase 1 of the project. Key outcomes of the meeting were they spoke of logistically how it will work undergrounding the utilities in that segment. The conclusion was a request for SGA's digital CAD files on the underground alternatives. They want to see logistically how they would undertake the project along side with the Borough. More specifically the duct design work they would be responsible for and what the Borough would be responsible for. They will look at the proposal and come back with responses and the discussion can proceed from there. DCL anticipated from the point of formal initiation of the design it will take up to 4-6 months to proceed with their design process. The timeline is what the Borough needs to be cognitive of. Whichever scenario happens in terms of utility re-working, approval from the utilities is a requirement to get final sign-off of the HOP from Penn Dot. Sean said he will get DCL the drawings Wednesday August 29<sup>th</sup> which should also help the Borough with direction. SGA did get comments back from Penn Dot on HOP. Minor comments and logistical things they want SGA to respond to. He reiterated the funding for 17<sup>th</sup> Street that was announced last month. He spoke briefly of 17<sup>th</sup> Street segment. Sean reiterated phases will be completed based on funds. Mr. Leone is still working on the logistics of that funding. The sources of funding available can include "design" as part of the fee which a significant amount can be supported by grant funds. Mr. Michel asked if they have experience with other towns for underground utilities. Sean said Michael Baker has the experience. He said he will make sure everything work related that is done will be in writing to make sure there is no confusion down the road who did what (Borough or Utility company). Mr. Shotter posed some questions about funding. Sean answered accordingly. Mr. Leone brought up that he does have a meeting Wednesday the 29<sup>th</sup> with Sustainable Strategies for EDA funding opportunities. Mr. Leone elaborated on the progress with Streetscape overall, he's been in communication with Sustainable Strategies and KSA

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for the respective funding that was submitted. Hoping lobbying efforts from both those, whether it be from Harrisburg or Washington D.C., will be a key factor and then exploring additional opportunities as they arise. Sean was then excused from the meeting.

**Borough Solicitors Report:** Solicitor Urick gave his report. He sent an email to Chief and Mr. Leone in regards to the Civil Service Commission requesting the changes added to Rules and Regulations for a Corporal position. He will have the draft completed soon. He is also waiting to hear from Mr. Deluco on Kermiet Tank Property. Mr. Leone reiterated Mr. Deluco's attorney is to contact Solicitor Urick. The ordinance for Vacating Spruce Alley will be adopted in September. No further word on LifeSteps or Gay/Redden Tax appeals. He then added he would like to discuss a legal pending matter in Executive Session

**New Business:**

1. Mr. Shotter **motioned** to award low bid in the amount of \$157,974 to Shiloh Industrial Contractors, Inc. for the WWTP Control Building Modification project. Second by Mr. Rebich. Motion carried unanimously.
2. Vice President Shotter walked council through several outstanding questions to make appropriate changes on the Parking Regulations, Parking Meters and Off Street Parking Ordinance. Per the meeting with Chief and Mayor they said they would like the Lot next to Draft house added to ordinance. The verbiage would need discussed how to add it in the ordinance. Solicitor Urick answered Mr. Shotters question that the fees that are assessed for violation were not in the ordinance that he is now modifying. Mr. Shotter will double check and make sure enforcement to make sure the fees are in line with how they want them to be today. The Solicitor can now move forward in revising the existing ordinance and circle back with Mr. Shotter before advertising. Mr. McGown **motioned** to authorize Borough Solicitor to advertise the revised Ordinance related to Parking Regulations, Parking Meters and Off Street Parking. Second by Mrs. Majors. Mr. Michel asked Solicitor Urick on behalf of the Parking Authority Board legal aspect of when the meters can be removed for the sake of answering the Parking Authority's questions when their next meeting is held. Solicitor Urick stated council has the decision overall. Motion carried unanimously.
3. Mr. Shotter said there were no notes for Quality of Life Ordinance. Yet, Mayor Short quickly asked why the fee for the tickets changed from a flat rate to escalating fee. Solicitor Urick gave his legal recommendation and said the escalating fee acts as a deterrent over time. Council and Mayor questioned this at first. After discussion, Mr. Blanarik **motioned** to authorize Borough Solicitor to advertise the revised Quality of Life Ordinance. Second by Mrs. Majors. Motion carried unanimously.
4. Mr. Leone asked Jake Iorio, Road Department, to explain to council the Pulaski Township dump truck that is for sale and his knowledge of the truck compared to the existing Borough dump truck. The existing dump truck does not have a lot of life left and the transmission needs fixed which will cost around \$2,600.00. Although the bed is still in great shape, and the salt spreader and plow is in good working condition. The Pulaski Twp. truck has 41,000 miles and the existing truck has 48,000. Jake thinks they could sell the existing one for around \$6-\$7000 if the transmission is replaced. Mr. Blanarik **motioned** to approve purchase of the Pulaski Township dump truck in the amount of \$20,000.00. Second by Mr. Rebich. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Michel **motioned** to put a rebuilt transmission in the existing Borough dump truck at a cost of approximately \$2,600.00. **Motion failed.**

Mr. McGown asked Mr. Leone to please place the CJ Mangin gym remodel at a higher priority on the old business list in hopes to get a donation from 84 Lumber. Mayor Short then asked about 14<sup>th</sup> Street issue. Jake approached the podium to explain his plan of action how he wants to repair the caved-in manhole(s) on 14<sup>th</sup> Street hill along with replacing the manhole covers, approximately. He said the road will not have to be closed but perhaps traffic control on certain days of construction. The whole process should take about 10 days (1 day for each manhole and then a day to pave). Mr. Wilson said since school begins next week he suggested sending an e-mail to the Middle School notifying them of the construction schedule from start to finish due to it being a busy bus route before and after school hours. Mr. Leone made a note to do that but also said he will be sure the road department coordinates their work opposite of the bus schedules to not interfere with their route.

**Citizens:** none

**Announcements:** Mayor Short announced the upcoming events. The last Movies in the Park will be held Friday August 31<sup>st</sup> at Antoline Park with a rain date of Saturday, September 1<sup>st</sup> playing The Greatest Showman. Recreation will be providing Refreshments before the show begins. The Next Food Truck Thursday event will be held September 13<sup>th</sup> at Washington Plaza from 4-8pm. Lastly, a public meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 18<sup>th</sup> for SGA presentation of the Project Close-out. Location will be at the Borough Building from 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

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**Executive Session:** Mr. Rebich motioned to enter into Executive Session at 8:33p.m. for Legal Matters. Second by Mr. McGown. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Shotter motioned to adjourn Executive Session at 9:03p.m. Second by Mr. Michel. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Shotter motioned to resume the Public Meeting at 9:03p.m. Second by Mr. McGown. Motion carried unanimously.

**Adjournment**

There being no further business, Mr. Shotter **motioned** to adjourn the meeting at 9:04p.m. Second by Mr. Rebich. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,



Handwritten signature of Brittany Bologna in blue ink.

Brittany Bologna, Secretary

