

**Monaca Borough
Workshop Meeting Minutes
December 5th, 2017 at 7:01pm**

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	Mr. Rebich-present
Mrs. Majors - present	Mr. Blanakrik- present
Mr. McGown- present	Mr. Michel- present
Mr. LaPearle- present	Vice President Shotter-present
Mr. Wilson- absent	President Booher- present

Others Present

Mario N. Leone Jr.

Items to Discuss:

2018 Reorganization Meeting-Mr. Leone went over the basic procedures as to how a Reorganization meeting is ran. The meeting is to be held every even numbered year on the first Monday of that New Year. This coming year, the first Monday lands on a Holiday, so the tentative date for the Borough of Monaca's Reorganization Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 2nd, 2018 (pending on Judge Joe Shaffer's availability to attend the meeting or the next Magistrate available for that date). Once date/time has been established, council can add it to the upcoming council meeting to motion to advertise.

2018 Council and Workshop Meetings- Brittany prepared a list for all 2018 meetings. Council is to look over the list and make sure dates do not conflict with Holiday's. Once confirmed, this too will be added to the upcoming council meeting agenda to motion to advertise.

Mr. John 2018 Rates- Council and Mr. Leone discussed the usual placement of each porta john and their price, location, drop off and pick-up for the year. Suggestions were made to remove the porta john at Stone Quarry field and to relocate to Antoline Park during the Pavilion Rental season. Lastly, it was decided that all porta johns should be handicap only at all locations for the upcoming year for the convenience for all to use.

Jared McKay-Water Dept. Lead- Gave his report. After Jared finished his report, President Booher commended Jared on his efforts and all his hard work over the past few weeks, even on his days off. All of council joined in and thanked him.

Jake Iorio-Highway Crew Leader-Gave his report. He announced there is a sinkhole on 12th Street that needs repaired; figuring out how to resolve the problem. After his report, President Booher commended Jake for the increase in production since he came on board. Council joined in and thanked him for all he has done and continues to do.

Chief Piuri was in attendance to let council know Officer Rachel Dietz will be back to work the week of December 10th. Mr. Leone let Chief know a meeting with Penn Dot is being set up for 9th Street discussion. The meeting dates available are Monday December 18th or Wednesday December 20th. Mr. Leone invited council members to attend the meeting as well. Council and Chief Piuri had a discussion on their desires for 9th Street.

Manager's Update

-Mr. Leone gave an update on the Brownfields conference he attended in Pittsburgh that day which ends this Thursday. They conducted a field trip to Beaver County. He passed around their program book that was handed out on the bus tour. There were a few pictures of the proposed development of the Borough of Monaca which significantly had a 4 page write up among the other municipalities that were also included in the book.

-Zoning Variance Hearing is scheduled for Wednesday December 6th at 6pm for old Bachelor Funeral home, 998 Atlantic Avenue. He explained the owners request to turn the building into an apartment building with 3 units. Council discussed what is legally allowed in an R2 zone. After further discussion and per the ordinance, Council confirmed and all agreed they are against the owner's request for 3 units.

-He gave an update on the Planning Commission meeting that was held at 6pm that evening, prior to the Workshop meeting. Council will receive letters from Mr. Leone pertaining to the meeting and all that was discussed.

New or Old Business

1. Quality of Life Ordinance- Mr. Shotter stated there is no update on this.
2. Street Maintenance-As stated earlier, a meeting with Penn Dot is being set up between Mr. Leone, Chief Piuri, Mayor Antoline and council members who can attend for a discussion on 9th Street Crosswalks.
3. Street Sweeper Repair- Council and Mr. Leone had a long discussion about the street sweeper options. Also, Mr. Shotter suggested they do a comparison of how other municipalities/boroughs/cities keep their streets clean.

-Mr. Shotter recommended all council members to attend the PSAB 2018 Newly Elected Municipal Officials training on March 2nd and March 3rd. The office can register those who can attend.

-Mr. Michel asked to get a copy of the Pennsylvania Supervisors Guide that gives the low, average and the high salaries of every position held in the State. It was then requested to have the treasurer produce a spreadsheet of present salaries of the borough office employees.

To end the meeting, general discussion was had and many suggestions were given about restructuring the workshop meetings and how they can limit the time someone has to speak, what kind of questions to ask and sticking strictly to the topics on the agenda.

Announcements- none

Adjournment

There being no further business, Mr. Shotter motioned to adjourn the meeting at 10:41pm. Second by Mr. McGown. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,


Brittany Bologna, Secretary

