

**Monaca Borough
Workshop Meeting Minutes
March 6th, 2018 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. Blanarik- present
Mr. McGown- present	Mr. Michel- absent
Mr. LaPearle- present	Vice President Shotter- present
Mr. Wilson- present	President Booher- present

Others Present

Mayor Short

Items to Discuss:

Jake Iorio was present representing the Road Department and letting council know a few requests/needs for their department. **(1.) Street sweeper**-He's concerned spring is near and they do not have a sweeper as of now. The first demo was great-it was the "Cadillac of Cadillac's". It had all features they would need and more. Road Dep. is scheduled to look at two more demos this month. He's not sure which way to go. Either bring our sweeper back and get it serviced and sell it outright to get more money for it. But then again that could be a loss. President Booher said Mr. Leone suggested possibly putting it on Municibid for about \$40k-\$50k. **(2.) Milling head (24")** for the existing Skid Loader. This is a top priority since potholes are atrocious around Monaca. Cold patch is only temporary and without the new milling head the pavements will become weakened over time. Hot patch is the only way that will fix the roads. He recently found one for \$22,000.00 if council would like to consider. Mr. Iorio also thanked the Borough for the purchase of the new Drum Roller. **(3.) Bucket Truck**- The cylinder is broke in the one they have, and also needs two hoses and a new roof. These will cost around \$2000.00 or a bit higher. Mayor Short said, from past experience working at the borough, too much money has been put into the bucket truck. Mr. Iorio looked around and hasn't found anything worth bidding on. Council asked how much they use the bucket truck. Mr. Iorio said only on occasions such as holiday's to hang decorations, hang banners/flags and trim trees. Council asked can we rent or ask Halama Brother's since they have helped in the past. Also, it was asked if Mr. Leone could reach out to New Brighton Borough who also has one. **(4.) Flush Truck**- The borough does not own one. Mr. Iorio stated they do have a few problem areas why the borough should consider purchasing one and gave examples. **(5.)** There's a 24 inch line that needs repaired which the gas Company was called and he had them camera the line. They found five holes. This needs repaired which they would need to use an excavator (should take 1-2 days). **(6.) VAC Truck**- needed due to the sewer lines they have (he gave more examples). After these six requests were given, Mr. Iorio touched base on a few projects they are working on in the borough such as repairing catch basins (Cascade Road, corner of Grant/McCoy, United Methodist Church). He will work on the catch basins in the downtown area next.

Mr. Wilson asked Mr. Iorio if he has spoken with Jeff McKay yet about plans on flushing the entire system in the Borough once the weather is warmer. Mr. Iorio confirmed he has reached out to Mr. McKay and is aware that 2-3 of the road dept. employees, possibly all 4, will be used making 3 turns (shifts) when this process begins. Mr. Wilson said this is a high priority item on their list. Mrs. Majors asked if Mr. Iorio could look at a few catch basins one in particular in front of the beauty salon on Pennsylvania Ave which overflows when it rains and also the last bend on Cascade Road that is all washed out.

Manager's Update- none (Mr. Leone on vacation)

Old Business: Ordinances were discussed

1. **Parking Meter Ordinance**- Nothing was discussed. Council quickly agreed to have this item put on next council meeting agenda to discuss/motion (*pending Solicitor Rich Urick finishes the final draft by then*).
2. **Quality Of Life Ordinance**-Mr. Shotter touched base on the suggestions given by council to update some of the wording in the ordinance. These notes have been given to Solicitor Urick to review. It was first discussed how a citation should be served by the NSO: by mail, face-to-face, or to simply be placed on the owner's front door. Chief Piuri was in attendance and gave his professional opinion of what the NSO should be allowed to do and not

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to do when giving out warnings/citations. Chief said for safety reasons, NSO should not ask for identification when handing out a citation. He suggested as the police officers do with parking tickets, the citation should be placed on the door and leave. Council also discussed the time period of when to give each citation and the price for each citation given. Also the cost for the businesses and residents should remain the same to eliminate any form of discrimination. Chief said the main goal for the ordinance is to give the NSO the ability to get things solved quicker. Council was in agreement to have a single flat rate to all violations to make things easier. President Booher said this is trial and error and anything can be changed if a certain way doesn't work. It was confirmed the ordinance would also apply to business owners to make certain the storefront sidewalks are kept neat and clean. More discussion was made about setting a realistic price to allow resident/business owners to quickly honor the citation and follow code in a more precise way. Mr. Shotter said he will send these notes over to borough Solicitor Rich Urick and wait on the updated draft.

3. **Street Maintenance Ordinance**-A meeting will be scheduled with Borough Manager Mr. Leone, President Booher, Vice President Shotter, Mayor Short and Chief Piuri to discuss the Street Maintenance ordinance.

Mr. Wilson requested to have the Borough Manager update the Old Business list for the next meeting.

Announcements: President Booher announced the annual Easter Egg Hunt will be held Saturday, March 31st, at Antoline Park beginning at 1pm.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Mr. Shotter motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:31pm. Second by Mr. Rebich. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,



Brittany Bologna, Secretary

