

MONACA BOROUGH
Virtual & In Person
Council Meeting Minutes
October 11th, 2022 at 7:00pm

The Council Meeting of the Monaca Borough Council was held on the above date and time in person & virtually via Zoom 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. Yothers- present
Mr. J. Wilson-present	Mr. Michel- absent
Mr. LaPearle- present	Vice President Shotter- absent
Mr. D. Wilson- absent	President Booher- present
Mayor Antoline-present	

Others Present

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

Visitors: None

Communications: None

Minutes: Mr. Mitchell **motioned** to approve **Regular Council Meeting Minutes** of September 27th, 2022.. Second by Mr. McLaughlin. Motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Majors **motioned** to approve **Workshop Meeting Minutes** of October 4th, 2022. Second by Mr. Yothers. Motion carried unanimously.

Fiscal and Contractual- Mr. LaPearle **motioned** to approve the monthly bills. Second by Mr. J. Wilson. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayors Report- the Honorable Mayor Antoline stated he did not have his Mayors Report for this meeting due to Chief Piuri being on sick leave the past couple weeks from appendix surgery. Sargent Greg Nicol has been taking over in the meantime. Mayor Antoline said he should have his report at the next regular council meeting.

Managers' Report: Mr. Kramer gave his report. Paving Program: Blaine and Linden have been completed. They expect to start hitting the other roads by the within the month. He let council know in their packet there were several bids for the chlorination system. Since the bid came in way over what was expected this year, the borough will continue to purchase the materials that are needed for the project itself, then can put this project out to bid again. In working with Widmer they did get him the lowest bidders through Costars, invoices in council's packet. The items that are below his threshold have PO's and ready to order. There is one that is above his spending limit to motion in tonight's meeting. Pres. Booher also stated he sent council the engineers' report today. Also under new business is items to purchase from National Road for Walnut Street waterline repairs, per Jared McKay. There is wait time for materials, so they are trying to get as much items in house as possible for upcoming projects. He also spoke with Dan Sell who submitted the borough's waterline proposal for Round About section from 15th-17th Street to Penn Dot. The engineers are looking into this and already commenting on the proposal. He updated council that the Round About project is now looking to begin possibly Spring 2024. In talking with Dan, he also is setting up meetings with Stoelzle and CVS for upcoming projects on 9th Street to the WWTP area. Lastly, Antoline Park site was hydroseeded with three coats, Tuesday of last week, hoping it starts to grow. Along that line, they have appointments set up with DEP for permits for a new site that they can dump at. He states in the next coming weeks he will be working on the budget since the meeting will be held October 25th this month.

-Mrs. Majors asked if public works is still patching holes. He said yes. She mentioned the alley between Indiana and Washington on 12th/13th Street is bad and has a tree growing into the alley. He explained alley work will be last and they do know about the tree. He will have Jake look at it and see if he can get millings down at least for now.

Solicitors Report: Solicitor Urick gave his report. He announced the Borough finally closed on the Pacific Avenue

property on Friday last week. The Borough now owns this lot. He also states Jackson Avenue property will have a close date in the next two weeks soon as well that the borough will be selling this property to Kellar Properties. He had nothing further to report.

Department Report: Curt DiGiovine, WWTP Supervisor, gave his report for the month of September 2022.

Ordinance Review Committee Report- None

Monaca Recreation Report- Mr. Yothers said they had no meeting in October. They will meet November 7th to discuss Hometown Christmas. He will have more to report after that meeting.

Monaca Library Report- Mr. LaPearle said there is nothing significant. Yesterday they had interviews for the directors' position. He will have more also to report at next months.

New Business:

1. Mr. LaPearle **motioned** to approve quote from National Road Utility in the amount of \$19,240.94. Second by Mrs. Majors. Motion carried unanimously.
2. Mr. J. Wilson **motioned** to approve Chemical Metering Skid from Kappe Associates Inc. in the amount of \$35,000.00. Second by Mr. Yothers. Motion carried unanimously.
3. Mr. Mitchell **motioned** to approve quote from Advance Instruments in the amount of \$8,796.00. Second by Mr. McLaughlin. Motion carried unanimously.

Citizens: Mayor Antoline spoke on behalf of a restaurant business owner in town who over the weekend told Mayor they do not agree with how Food Truck Thursdays are publicized all over the borough website/newsletter, etc and that there are businesses in town that do not get this kind of recognition. Mayor stated they are upset these outside businesses are getting the support by the Borough but where is their support. Mayor reiterates they ask why they aren't put in the newsletters and websites as well. Mr. Kramer explained Food truck event started out to bring outsiders to our town to see what the town has to offer. He also said the borough supports the businesses and the borough has put funds into an updated brochure the Ohio River trail made with all current businesses in this pamphlet. Council discusses further. Mrs. Majors explained she has approached businesses on many occasions to join the Monaca CDC to help support the downtown business district. She stated food trucks were an opportunity for these businesses to come to the event to display business cards, coupons, and anything they had to offer to those attending the event. Mayor understands both sides, yet he explained he wanted to bring it to council and the borough Manager as he didn't quite know the best way to approach the situation.

Announcements: Mr. McLaughlin gave the following announcements: October 23rd is Monaca Community Hall of Fame which is their 36th Annual Banquet located at Monaca Turners. Monday, October 31st is Trick or Treat in the Borough from 6:00pm to 8:00pm.

Adjourn: There being no further business, Mr. McLaughlin **motioned** to adjourn the meeting at 7:28p.m. Second by Mr. J. Wilson. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Brittany Bologna, Secretary