

MONACA BOROUGH
Virtual & In Person
Workshop Meeting Minutes
October 4th, 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- absent
Mr. Mitchell-present	Mr. Yothers- present
Mr. J. Wilson-present	Mr. Michel- absent
Mr. LaPearle- present	Vice President Shotter- absent
Mr. D. Wilson-present @ 7:02pm	President Booher- present

Others Present

David L. Kramer, Jr.; Mayor Antoline

Visitors: None

List of Attendees: None

Manager's Update: Mr. Kramer first gave a recap of Monaca Fall Fest this past Saturday at Antoline Park. He said despite the rainy weather, they had a good turnout and vendors said they did well. He said CDC, Recreation Gabby and Britt did a great job and he acknowledged all the hard work Gabby did to organize the event and get all the vendors there along with acknowledging Angel taking care of the entire park which looked great. They are now looking forward to Hometown Christmas event in December which they are planning to have the Parade and close off 10th Street to the Plaza to keep the main street open pending streetscape would happen to start. Next, he gave a recap of the BCRCOG conference that was held last Wednesday at Hilton Garden Inn, Monaca. He had good a conversation with Commissioner Jack Manning who has been supporting Monaca Borough for grant funding through and through. He also said he was able to network with the local vendors there as well, overall, it was a good event. He then announced per the paving program, the pavers should be back in town October 10th to finish Blaine/Linden Street and finishing the rest of the streets at the end of the month per the program. They are trying harder to get the roads done quicker for safety reasons due to the VFD Stop Drop & Run race this coming Saturday. Lastly, Mr. Kramer announced the closing on Pacific Avenue property this Friday.

Pres. Booher said he and Mr. Kramer will represent the Borough at the closing and Mr. Shotter will represent the Fire Department. He also explained closing costs and the borough is to pay \$1,928.25, and the fire department was to pay \$384.00. Pres. Booher said he talked to Solicitor Urick and rather the two parties debate the costs, the borough will also pay \$384.00. Mr. D. Wilson questioned the closing costs that was mentioned. Pres. Booher showed Mr. Wilson the documents with the closing cost breakdown on it. Mr. Kramer had nothing further to report.

Items to Discuss:

1. Pres. Booher restated how Yorke Agency moved to Beaver and how Scott became new agent with Adamson Insurance Agency. He has also saved the borough \$20,000 going into this year. Mrs. Majors **motioned** to approve insurance renewal with Adamson Insurance Agency for 2022-2023. Second by Mr. Mitchell. Motion carried unanimously.
2. Mr. LaPearle **motioned** to advertise Budget Meeting Tuesday, October 25th at 6PM. Second by Mr. J. Wilson. Motion carried unanimously.
3. Pres Booher explained the motion to approve payment of donation to CDC for the façade grant in the amount of \$50,000.00. The CDC will hold these funds in a separate account aside from their general fund until application is approved for funding. He said they wanted them to hold this money in their own account until the grant is approved. Borough moved money over, with the exception they are not allowed to spend it until grant is approved. Mr. LaPearle motioned to approve payment of donation to CDC for the façade grant in the amount of \$50,000.00. The CDC will hold these funds in a separate account aside from their general fund until application is approved for funding. Second by Mr. Mitchell. Motion carried unanimously.
4. Mr. Kramer passed around the designs that CDC had for new Welcome Monaca mural/sign at the pumphouse. He

said these were displayed at Fall Fest for public to view and to get opinions. He showed the top two to council. Mr. Kramaer said the CDC knows council has the final say, but they first wanted to do a Facebook poll to see how many votes each would get before it went to council. Council discussed the designs briefly. Mr. Kramer wanted to make sure it was ok for CDC to put this on Facebook first. Council agreed to proceed. Mrs. Majors discussed more detail about artwork, artists in mind and fundraising.

5. Mr. Kramer brought up the quote for repair of the WWTP fence that was damaged from the auto accident back on September 11th this year. The quote was for \$4,985.00 to fix the fence. He reiterated the borough will be reimbursed from insurance, but he wanted council's approval to submit the claim since they were discussing options with the engineers. Pres. Booher said he could proceed, and the quote is under the borough managers' threshold.

Announcements: Mr. Mitchell read the following announcements: October 7th- Monaca CDC Friday Concert Series at Washington Plaza from 6-9PM. October 8th – VFD Stop Drop & Run 5K Race. October 23rd -Monaca Community Hall of Fame- 36th Annual Banquet located at Monaca Turners. Monday, October 31st- Trick or Treat in the Borough from 6-8 PM.

Executive Session: None

Adjourn: There being no further business, Mr. Mitchell **motioned** to adjourn the meeting at 7:23p.m. Second by Mrs. Majors. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Brittany Bologna, Secretary