

**MONACA BOROUGH**  
**Workshop Meeting Minutes**  
**March 21<sup>st</sup>, 2023 at 7:00pm**  
Virtual and In Person

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. Mitchell-present  
Mr. J. Wilson-present  
Mr. LaPearle- present  
Mr. D. Wilson-present

Mr. McLaughlin-**absent**  
Mr. Yothers- **absent**  
Mr. Michel- *present virtually*  
Vice President Shotter- present  
President Booher- present

**Others Present**

David L. Kramer, Jr.; Mayor Antoline

**Visitors:** None

**Minutes:** Mr. D. Wilson **motioned** to approve Council Meeting Minutes of February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Second by Mrs. Majors. Motion carried unanimously.  
Mr. J. Wilson **motioned** to approve Council Meeting Minutes of March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Second by Mr. Mitchell. Motion carried unanimously.

**Mayors' Report-** the Honorable Mayor Antoline gave the report for the **Month of February 2023**

Monetary Receipts: **\$1,024.66**  
Citations: **140**  
Criminal Arrests: **11**  
Calls for Service: **394**

**Recreation Report:** Mayor Antoline continued to give the recreation report, due to Councilman Yothers' absence. He stated they had their meeting yesterday with two new members who were appointed. He also said they reorganized making Jodi Palvanich director, Tammy VP, Judy Polce Secretary and Susan Polce remains the Treasurer. April 8<sup>th</sup> they are holding the annual Easter Egg Hunt at Antoline Park, weather permitting. Also, June 24<sup>th</sup> is Community Day date with a start time of 5:00p.m.. Lastly, he mentioned they will host the annual BCRC picnic at Antoline Park Monday, May twenty-second.

**Managers' Update:** Mr. Kramer first began by stating he met with Kevin Turkall that week at the Pacific Avenue site where the Civic Center is going. He said the engineers are getting ready for the site prep work also, who are working hand in hand with Kevin, so this project is moving forward. The engineers' meeting was on Friday. After that meeting, the engineers himself and President Booher took a ride around the borough to take a closer look at roads for the paving program. Mr. Kramer said he had emailed Council the combined list of roads. Mr. D. Wilson asked if he could update the list per his requests from the Engineers meeting of Childs and Front Street. Mr. Kramer said he will do so. Next, per the LSA Grant, on Thursday Rep Matzie gave him a call. The borough had applied for a grant for the site prep work for the civic center in the amount of \$586,000.00. Rep Matzie awarded the borough \$284,500.00. That is a grant funding total of \$2,284,500.00 and the Borough will also match one million dollars which brings the funds a little over three million. He expressed his excitement for this good news. Next, he mentioned the assessment letters were sent out per school district last Friday, Central Valley being one of them so keep a look out for Monaca's coming soon. Lastly, Mr. Kramer updated council on the Columbia Gas project that is still in the planning process on Bechtel Street. He had given council a map in their agenda packet. They plan on closing Bechtel ST from Marshall to Kazar, directing traffic to Walnut, which is a one-way street that they did not know of. Then they thought to possibly shut down to one lane. VP Shotter suggested a temporary signal be put in during work. Mr. Kramer reiterated they are going back and forth with e-mails, and they are trying to find the right course of action. Mr. Kramer sent this over to Tony already for his thoughts. VP Shotter emphasized Widmer should investigate this project for best scenario. Mr. Kramer added, Simon reached out on behalf of CDC per the "Welcome to Monaca" sign. He wants to come to a

meeting soon to discuss his drawings and plans for the new sign & backing of the sign.

**Solicitors' Report:** Solicitor Urick was virtually in attendance via Zoom. He began by stating he still needs to meet up with Tony to get information for the Street Maintenance Ordinance. He needs this info to draft the ordinance for excavations for repair on the street that council requested from curb to mid road. He stated the other item he wanted to discuss will be discussed in Executive Session. Lastly, he mentioned Mr. Kramer is currently working with Penn Dot on the Round About which he keeps him in the loops. As that becomes clearer, Mr. Kramer will circle back to council on this. He had nothing further to report. Pres. Booher had two ordinances that need finished, one regarding parking spaces in the borough, which Tony has this one.

**Engineers Report:** Tony Sadaka gave his report.

Tony brought up the Paving project, and Mr. Kramer asked if he could add two more Roads to the list that he has. Lastly, President Booher reiterated he sent out meeting minutes to council from the Engineers meeting held last Friday.

**Department Reports:** Curt DiGiovine was in attendance and gave the February 2023 Monthly report for the WWTP.

**Items to Discuss/Motion:**

1. Pres. Booher briefly explained this motion has been deemed emergency and they need to move forward as soon as possible with the generator. Mr. Michel **motioned** to approve **Peoples** quote in the amount of \$29,060.00 for installation of transmission line located at the pump station. Second by VP Shotter. Motion carried unanimously.
2. Mr. LaPearle **motioned** to internally advertise Class III Fulltime Operators position. Second by Mr. Mitchell. Motion carried unanimously.

**Visitors:** None

**Announcements:** Mr. LaPearle gave the following announcements: Friday, **April 7<sup>th</sup>**, Good Friday- Borough office Closed. Saturday, **April 8<sup>th</sup>**, Monaca Recreation's Annual Easter Egg Hunt- Antoline Park- beginning at 1PM. Saturday, April 29<sup>th</sup>, Monaca Road Garage – Bulk Item Day, Antoline Park – Electronics Recycling 10:00am-2:00pm. Spring Leaf Collection will be collected every Monday in April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup>. Contact the Borough office for pick up.

Lastly Tony Sadaka stressed his concerns with the Columbia Gas project that was discussed earlier in the meeting. He is questioning when they close the road how local deliveries will be made, trash pick up and such. Mr. D. Wilson said he agrees with VP Shotter and they will go with Widmers' expertise moving forward. Mr. Sadaka had given Mr. Kramer an email with his concerns. Mr. Kramer said he will contact Tony and they can discuss this further this week.

**Executive Session:** VP Shotter **motioned** to go into Executive Session under Legal & Personnel at 7:40pm. Second by Mrs. Majors. Motion carried unanimously.

VP Shotter **motioned** to adjourn Executive Session at 8:32pm. Second by Mrs. Majors. Motion carried unanimously. Mr. Mitchell **motioned** to resume the Public Meeting at 8:32pm. Second by VP Shotter. Motion carried unanimously.

**Adjourn:** There being no further business, VP Shotter **motioned** to adjourn the meeting at 8:37p.m. Second by Mrs. Majors. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Brittany Bologna, Secretary