

**Council Meeting Minutes**  
**April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at 7:00pm**  
In person & virtual

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- <b>absent</b>
Mr. Mitchell-present	Mr. Yothers- present
Mr. J. Wilson-present	Mr. Michel- present <i>virtually</i>
Mr. LaPearle- present	Vice President Shotter- <b>absent</b>
Mr. D. Wilson-present	President Booher- present
Mayor Antoline- present	

**Others Present**

David L. Kramer, Jr.-present, Rich Urick, Esq.

**Visitors:** None

**Engineers Report:** Tony Sadaka gave the engineers report of all pending projects that were discussed at last Friday's engineers meeting. Tony brought up the Water disinfection system project, the borough will prepare a bid package so a contractor can perform the installation. He then announced Penn Dot finally approved the Storm Sewer Separation project for 9<sup>th</sup>/Penn Avenue. Next, they just need easement approval from Stoelzle and CVS. Tony reiterated; they have sixty days to award this bid after the date it's advertised. Mr. Kramer said they can get the bid package ready, but they must wait until he hears if they are awarded the grant in early June. Council discussed. They said they will wait until the next engineers meeting to move forward. Next, Tony touched base on the transmission line project. Council discussed. He had nothing further to report.

**Communications:** None.

**Minutes:** Mrs. Majors **motioned** to approve Council Meeting Minutes of April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Second by Mr. J. Wilson. Motion carried unanimously.

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

**Managers' Report:** Mr. Kramer gave his report. He touched base on the Civic Center. He will be meeting with the designers every 2 weeks to see what progress is being made on the site area. Nick is working on the meeting for the variance, late May, early June. He will keep everyone posted on that set date. Next, he said he met with Sean Garrigan regarding Streetscape project last week. They were anticipating an approval from Penn Dot with the HOP, but a question keeps coming back into play that was once asked before when the original permit was first submitted, and now just brought up again. He explained Penn Dot states because the trash cans and benches are in a right-of-way, they need to be made breakaway. SGA investigated this product and there is no such product out there. Penn Dot also cannot provide a product the borough can use that is "breakaway". Solutions are to sign off an addendum agreement that if any accident would happen it would fall back on the borough, not on Penn Dot, which Solicitor Urick would have to look over this agreement. Pres. Booher asked Mr. Sadaka if he's ever heard of such a thing. And he has states he has never. Mr. LaPearle reiterated they are asking for a product that doesn't exist. More was discussed. Mr. Kramer said he will keep everyone posted. Next, Mr. Kramer talked about Road Paving list and which roads they are deciding to mill and pave or tar and chip. Mr. Kramer then gave update on the upcoming Penn Dot Bridge project. On his last call with Penn Dot, they explained they are putting it out to bid June 2023 and won't begin work until Spring of next year. Next, road crew work, they are now waiting on the rain gardens that were ordered so they can install when received. It is on the Road crew's agenda as top priority. He will be attending the 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting for Downtown businesses. He also has a webinar tomorrow for Safe Streets and Roads. Lastly, the COG delegates meeting will be held Thursday at 7 o'clock. The county assessor will be attending to answer public questions. This meeting will be held at the Beaver Borough office.

**Solicitor's Report:** Solicitor Urick gave his report.

**New Business:**

1. Mr. Kramer explained the current Zero-Turn for the Public Works department met it's life expectancy and it's time for a new one. Mr. LaPearle **motioned** to approve Zero-Turn from American Outdoor Power Equipment in the amount of \$9,839.20. Second by Mr. Mitchell. Motion carried unanimously.
2. President Booher briefly discussed the borough's past experience with the following request. They have not had much luck over the years when waiving borough taxes for bidders who bought out of the repository due to no set plans for the property after purchase. Solicitor Urick also gave his expertise, and he recommends the borough not authorizing this anymore for those reasons of not knowing what will happen to those properties after purchase and taxes are waived. More was discussed. Pres. Booher asked if there was a motion to authorize Borough Manager to sign Repository Sale Form waving borough taxes for parcels #37-001-0220.000 & 37-001-0219.000 (808 & 810 Beach Street) to bidder Kendall Liggins. There were no motions made. Motion Failed.

**Citizens:** None

**Announcements:** Mr. J. Wilson gave the following announcements: Saturday, April 29<sup>th</sup>, Monaca Road Garage – Bulk Item Day / Antoline Park – Electronics Recycling Event, both from 10:00am-2:00pm. Spring Leaf Collection will be collected every Monday in April. Contact the Borough office for pick up. Biodegradable bags can be purchased at the borough office, \$3 per bundle.

**Executive Session:** motioned to go into Executive Session for Personnel and Legal at 8:08pm. Second by Mr. D. Wilson. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. LaPearle **motioned** to adjourn Executive Session at 8:14pm. Second by Mr. D. Wilson. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Mitchell **motioned** to resume the Public Meeting at 8:14pm. Second by Mrs. Majors. Motion carried unanimously.

**Adjourn:** There being no further business, Mrs. Majors **motioned** to adjourn the meeting at 8:15p.m. Second by Mr. Yothers. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Brittany Bologna, Secretary