

MONACA BOROUGH
Workshop Meeting Minutes
Wed. May 17th, 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	(vacant)
Mr. Mitchell- absent	Mr. Yothers- present
Mr. J. Wilson-present	Mr. Michel- absent
Mr. LaPearle- present	Vice President Shotter- present
Mr. D. Wilson-present	President Booher- present

Others Present

David L. Kramer, Jr.; Mayor Antoline

Visitors: None

List Of Attendees: Mr. Kramer called up Adam and Jason Liberatore to the podium. Jason began by introducing himself and his brother. Jason explained they had formed a youth baseball travel organization called Liberatore Baseball Club. The teams consist of all ages up to 16-year-olds. Jason said they are currently looking to expand which they would need to utilize practice space, which areas are slim in the area. He did stumble upon Stone Quarry field in Monaca that is not being used and they would like to bring that field back to life. Jason was seeking council's permission if they could use this field, while maintaining it and oversee the schedule and who could use this field if they were given permission to manage Stone Quarry. He explained more in detail. Council discussed and gave their thoughts. Mr. D. Wilson is in favor of this but is concerned about damaging the french drain that was put in years ago. VP Shotter was also for this field coming back to life but he commented about liability and that their would need to be terms and conditions. Jason said they are an LLC and do have liability insurance. More was discussed. Mr. Kramer thanked them for coming and said he will be in touch with them as soon as possible. Jason and Adam thanked council for their time and consideration.

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

Citations: **184**

Criminal Arrests: **11**

Calls for Service: **453**

Monetary Receipts: **\$1,619.73**

Managers' Update: Mr. Kramer gave his report. (1.) Civic Center: Mr. Kramer said they were in touch with the DEP regarding the ground and area and because it is a little over an acre they would need permits, but overall it was a good meeting. VP Shotter suggested they go over the drawings before moving forward. Mr. Kramer put the slides up on the projector and council went over each slide. There were no questions. Mr. Kramer briefly discussed the current funds available once more so council is aware. He then went over the DCED meeting and the meeting he had with the conservation district at Antoline Park. They recommended that the borough seed the area again and Mr. Kramer agreed to let the company who they purchase the grass seed off to lay the seed down this time and not the borough employees. Next he explained the CV softball field also needs improvements. Representative Matzie recommended a grant they could apply for and Mr. Kramer said he will meet with Anthony Antoline Monday for this. Up next, Mr. Kramer said he is setting up dates with the contractors for Antoline Park roof updates for Legion and Lions Shelter. He also ordered the concrete games for the park which are 6-8weeks out. Shelter 4 will be done with rentals in late August which is when they plan to tear it down and rebuild.

Items to Discuss/Motion:

1. Discussion: Mr. Kramer discussed the quote from Team Force Inc for updated docking stations in each police vehicle. Officer St. Clair brought this to his attention. They have a grant already that will cover 5 out of the 10 police cars. And this system would be installed in all cars. Council posed a few questions that Mr. Kramer will answer at another meeting when he has more information.

He also suggested having Corporal St Clair or Sargant Nicol attend an upcoming meeting to elaborate what exactly they are updating in the vehicles and why they need them.

2. Mr. D. Wilson **motioned** to approve internal Borough posting for the open Operators position. Second by VP Shotter. Motion carried unanimously.
3. Discussion: Mr. Kramer read out loud a proposal, written by water foreman Jared McKay, to rename Monaca Riverfront Park to Theo Polce Park in honor of her years of service in the Community (letter attached to minutes). Council expressed their excitement of the idea and posed their thoughts on how to present this properly for Mrs. Polce. VP Shotter said something like this would need a Resolution passed, they should approach Theo as well to let her in the know, and that there is no rush on this and to do it correctly. Mr. D. Wilson asked if they are allowed to change the name of "Riverfront Park" since it was developed by grants. Council discussed. Mr. Kramer said he will keep Jared posted and they will certainly circle back on this.

New/Old Business: President Booher went around the room asking if anyone had any old or new business to discuss.

-VP Shotter asked due to Ken McLaughlin's vacancy of the council seat for 4th ward, he's asking if they should put a notice on social media to bring applicants in. Letters are due to borough office Monday at the close of work. Pres. Booher would rather have this go on borough website than on Facebook. Council posed their opinions. Pres. Booher and VP Shotter explained to the new council members how to re-appoint a new council member when there is a seat empty and what the stipulations are. Next, VP Shotter asked Mr. Kramer about two neighbors that have very high grass. Mr. Kramer said Nick has already cited them and they must wait seven days before taking further action.

-Mr. D. Wilson asked the status of the paving program. Mr. Kramer said by next meeting they will motion to advertise the paving bid. VP Shotter went through the list of roads and council and Mr. Kramer discussed one by one which will be mill & pave and which to be tar & chip.

Announcements: VP Shotter gave the following announcements: Thurs. May 18th, Food Truck Thursday- Washington Plaza 4-7pm. May 22nd, BCRC Picnic- Antoline Park Main Pavilion. Monaca Art Walk & Brushes, Blooms, and Brews Kick-off Event May 27 - June 17 throughout Downtown Monaca. Mon. May 29th, Memorial Day Parade down Pennsylvania Avenue sponsored by the Legion beginning at 10:30AM, by St. Johns Church. Ceremony to follow at Veterans Park, led by Honorable Mayor Antoline. June 4th-7th, PSAB Conference. Mr. Kramer added the Art walk has been postponed to September.

Executive Session: None

Adjourn: There being no further business, VP Shotter **motioned** to adjourn the meeting at 8:15p.m. Second by Mr. J. Wilson. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Brittany Bologna, Secretary