

**MONACA BOROUGH**  
**Virtual & In Person**  
**Council Meeting Minutes**  
**July 12<sup>th</sup>, 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- <b>absent</b>
Mr. Mitchell- present	Mr. Yothers- present
Mr. J. Wilson-present	Mr. Michel- present (virtually)
Mr. LaPearle- present	Vice President Shotter- present
Mr. D. Wilson- <b>absent</b>	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 **Council Meeting Minutes** of June 28<sup>th</sup>, 2022. Second by Mrs. Majors. Motion carried unanimously.

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

**Mayors Report-** the Honorable Mayor Antoline gave the report for the **Month of June 2022**

Monetary Receipts: **\$819.12**

Citations: **121**

Criminal Arrests: **10**

Calls for Service: **466**

**Mayor Antoline** added comments about the Community Day event that was held on June 25<sup>th</sup> downtown. He thanked all those involved. He said the crowd was tremendous and fireworks display at the end was great. He did make a note that the borough should investigate adding a lamp or lighting of some sort at the top of the ramp in that area for how dark it is at night for how many people are there to watch the fireworks.

**Managers' Report:** Mr. Kramer gave his report. 1.) Audits-Mr. Kramer said they are finishing up the Police Pension audit that has been underway and they also have the overall audit with Turnley's office to complete as well. 2.) Civic Center-Mr. Kramer said he spoke with Kevin Turkall and gave an update of the upcoming plans for the civic center. 3.) Fall Fest Meeting- Mr. Kramer announced they had a meeting last Friday with the CDC & Recreation for plans for Fall Fest on October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022. It will be held at Antoline Park. They do have vendors lined up and he's hoping this event becomes as big as Community Day. 4.) Abandoned Buildings-He touched base that himself and Nick have been tackling this project with reaching out to the owners of these buildings to get them cleaned up. They did have a hearing that day on one of the store fronts in the downtown area. They are making progress overall. 5.) Hills/weeds-Tuma's was out today spraying the weeds on the hills. Pres. Booher reiterated they must do this late in the summer to only have to spray once instead of twice. 6.) 15<sup>th</sup> Street playground- He announced the 15<sup>th</sup> street playground will be closed Friday July 15<sup>th</sup> for maintenance. Due to spraying weeds, they must leave it closed for 24hours. It will be open after that timeframe.

**Solicitors Report:** Solicitor Urick gave his report. He caught council up on each of the following properties: Pacific Avenue, Jackson Avenue and Tammy's Treasurers building.

**Department Report** – Curt DiGiovine, WWTP Supervisor gave his report for the month of June 2022.

Mr. Michel asked Curt how the algae situation was. Curt said they have an algae remover system in the clarifier that rotates 24/7 and breaks up the algae. Therefore, money well spent on this and they have had zero algae issues.

**Ordinance Review Committee Report-** VP Shotter had nothing to report.

**Monaca Recreation Report-** Mr. Yothers gave a brief report. He said they have a meeting next Monday July nineteenth. He also touched base on Community Day event on June 25<sup>th</sup> and he also emphasized the success of the event and also thanked all those that helped and how wonderful the area looked after cleaning up.

**Monaca Library Report-** Mr. LaPearle had nothing to report and said the Library Board will not be meeting this month or in August.

**New Business:**

1. Mr. Kramer specified that this motion was a payment to Keystone Fire Apparatus. VP Shotter **motioned** to approve down payment of \$100,000.00 to Keystone Fire Apparatus 2022 Spartan Chassis. Second by Mrs. Majors. Motion carried unanimously.
2. Council discussed purchase/lease 2022 Chevrolet Silverado 3500 from Wright in the amount of \$57,220.47 for the Water Department. Pres. Booher said the water department has had a newer truck on their wish list for the budget for the past 3 years. Pres. Booher elaborated how pitiful the truck looks. Mr. Kramer concurred. Doesn't look good when they show up for appointments. Mr. LaPearle questioned the amount. He researched and it's showing the market value is \$4,300.00 less. Mr. Kramer said he will investigate the retail value. Council discussed details about the truck. Pres. Booher said they will put this on next meeting agenda to motion.
3. Pres. Booher announced there has been a lot of vandalism going on at Antoline Park lately, along with the constant watch by the DEP for illegal dumping by others which Mr. Kramer specified they are working on trying to solve that issue with moving the fence further back. He insists they get a better camera system at the park. VP Shotter **motioned** to approve quote from Secure Technical Solutions, Inc. for Antoline Park cameras. Second by Mr. Mitchell. Motion carried unanimously.
4. Booster Station- Borough manager mentioned earlier in the meeting he has nothing on this as of today and will discuss it at the next meeting.

**Citizens:**

1. Michael Frye- 2508 Beaver Ave, Monaca-was in attendance to ask if the borough could look at the properties next to him with high grass and tall weeds that's becoming a problem. Mr. Kramer said he and Nick NSO have already investigated these properties and have condemned a couple as well. Mr. Frye thanked him for the update.
2. Nora Frye- 2508 Beaver Ave, Monaca-was in attendance to also thank council for trimming trees on her road. She also inquired about the mirror that was placed on Beaver Ave for traffic. She said it was tilting up a tad too high and needs altered. Mr. Kramer said they will look at it that.

**Announcements:** Mayor Antoline gave the following announcements: July 21<sup>st</sup>- Food Truck Thursday- Washington Plaza- 4-7pm. Food truck line up can be found on the borough website & mobile app. July 29<sup>th</sup>- Movies at Antoline Park featuring Spiderman- No Way Home, beginning at dusk. Wear your favorite Superhero attire and enjoy the last movies of the year under the stars on the new 30 foot blow up screen.

**Executive Session:** None

**Adjourn:** There being no further business, VP Shotter **motioned** to adjourn the meeting at 7:50p.m. Second by Mr. J. Wilson. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Brittany Bologna, Secretary