

MONACA BOROUGH
Virtual & In Person
Workshop Meeting Minutes
July 19th, 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-present
Mr. Mitchell- absent	Mr. Yothers- present
Mr. J. Wilson-present	Mr. Michel- present (virtually)
Mr. LaPearle- present	Vice President Shotter- present
Mr. D. Wilson-present	President Booher- present

Others Present

David L. Kramer, Jr.; Mayor Antoline (**absent**)

Visitors: None

List of Attendees: None

Manager's Update: Mr. Kramer stated his meeting with Kevin Turkall was postponed until next week which he will report on. Next, he stated the cameras at Antoline Park are now being worked on and should be installed soon. He then mentioned the monthly Engineers meeting they had last Friday which was focused around lining the transmission line. Himself, Tony, Dan, and Jake sat in on a call from Fer-Pal to discuss options. He stated they must try to get a hold of the railroad if they are going to line it, which is going to be complicated to get a hold of someone there. He said overall the main discussion was how they will place a line either under the railroad and possibly run a new line up the hill. Next, he mentioned Dan Sell is almost done with his recent study on all the waterline replacements they have done thus far to see how much they have spent and saved doing this all "in house". They also talked about the Pit Repair at the booster station. They are going out this Thursday to get measurements itself and that will give them a better idea of cost that Mr. Kramer said he can provide in the next few weeks or so. Next, they also did sign the contract for Youngblood for paving project. Friday, they received the grant money from the County for reimbursement for PA Avenue. This was in the amount of \$1.25 million dollars. He then stated himself and Nick are still in the process of going to court hearings for a lot of the vacant properties in town to get them cleaned up and he will keep council updated on those. The letters and the court dates are working. October 14-16th is the Fall Leadership conference, which is in Gettysburg, and will send details out on that if anyone is interested.

Mr. Michel asked about the transmission line specs and asked about the width of the right of way. He wants to make sure they have room to put in another line. Mr. Kramer said he asked Solicitor Urick and he will get back to him on that. More was discussed about the R.O.W. and where the temp lines would be placed. Pres. Booher said there is still a lot of studying that needs to be done.

Mr. Kramer shared the updated Funding Spreadsheet for council to review. Council discussed the updated funds available for the following projects: Streetscape, Civic Center & 17th Street. The excel spreadsheet also provided details of Bond monies available. It also let council preview Grants Pending, Funds for Sales of Buildings, Potential dollars for Future Spending and Possible Additional Revenue. Council discussed

Pres. Booher added he asked Mr. Kramer to have Gabby make a spreadsheet at the end of August after she is done with billing on how much they made these 2 quarters since the increases in water/sewer compared to last years.

Items to Discuss:

1. Council had previously discussed the Taylor Avenue Booster Station earlier in the meeting.
2. Council then discussed the current Water and Sewer tap in fees that Pres. Booher reiterated they have not raised these fees in the last 20 years. These fees are both \$2,500 per. Mr. Kramer said Beaver remains at \$2,500 for tap in fees for water and \$2,500 for sewer. VP Shotter & Mr. LaPearle both agreed it would not benefit anyone to raise the tap in fees. They would rather keep the fees as is which looks more appealing to the builders. This is

turn would continue to bring in new construction that will add value through property tax. Council debated and discussed this further.

3. Pres. Booher asked that this motion be tabled to next meeting. Mr. D. Wilson **motioned to table** to next meeting: Widmer Engineering to advertise for bidding on Chlorination System upgrade at the Pumphouse. Second by Mr. McLaughlin. Motion carried unanimously.

Old/New Business:

-VP Shotter made it known that the engine was dropped off at Keystone over the weekend. The current date to pick up is December.

-Mr. Michel just wanted to know future for Stone Quarry field. It sits idle and wanted to know what is happening to it. Pres. Booher said earlier in the meeting they will discuss this at another meeting in Executive with Rich since it involves legal.

Announcements: VP Shotter gave the following announcements: July 21st- Food Truck Thursday Washington Plaza 4-7pm. July 29th- Movies at Antoline Park featuring Spiderman- No Way Home, beginning at dusk. Aug 5th- Monaca CDC Friday Concert Series at Washington Plaza from 6-9PM

Executive Session: VP Shotter **motioned** to enter Executive Session at 7:55pm for Real Estate. Second by Mr. Michel. Motion carried unanimously.

VP Shotter **motioned** to come out of Executive Session at 8:09pm. Second by Mrs. Majors. Motion carried unanimously.

VP Shotter **motioned** to resume the Public Meeting at 8:09pm. Second by Mr. J. Wilson. Motion carried unanimously.

Adjourn: There being no further business, VP Shotter **motioned** to adjourn the meeting at 8:10p.m. Second by Mrs. Majors. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted

Brittany Bologna, Secretary