MONACA BOROUGH

Virtual & In Person Workshop Meeting Minutes September 6th, 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-absent Mr. Mitchell-absent Mr. Yothers- present

Mr. J. Wilson-present Mr. Michel- present (virtually)
Mr. LaPearle- **absent** Vice President Shotter- present
Mr. D. Wilson-present President Booher- present

Others Present

David L. Kramer, Jr.; Mayor Antoline

Visitors: None

List of Attendees: None

Manager's Update: Mr. Kramer announced there will be an Emergency Responders Appreciation Day held in Rochester near the round about on September 18th for those who would like to attend. Next, he gave a paving program update. Youngblood said they will start on Blaine and Linden Street this week and they'll come back the end of the month to finish up the program. He annual COG Conference will be held at the Beaver Valley Mall this year Wednesday, September 28th, Brittany can register anyone who would like to attend. Mr. Kramer then gave a recap of the YMCA summer youth program that was held at Washington Avenue basketball courts and Antoline Park. He gave stats of how many children attended and how many lunches they served overall. He read 511 children attended at Antoline Park and 233 children downtown. He said it was another successful summer event and was well received. SGA- Sean Garrigan came in last week and notified Mr. Kramer they will be resubmitting for the third time the HOP to Penn Dot. He is confident this will be the last round. He stated Sean commented to him that this delay isn't a bad thing because materials haven't been available, and it will be best to put this out to bid first of the year. KSA is working on a couple different grant programs they would like to apply for. One for instance was for Antoline Park. They are also working on a press release for Rep. Matzie. They are also on the look out for Monaca Lofts for those tax credits, and Monaca CDC third grant applications. Monaca Lofts- Mr. Kramer said he received an email from Trey Barber. They are having a Grand opening/open house in Canonsburg with a similar project on September 15th for those who would like to attend. Thursday night, the Water Department will finish the work on 17th Street to fix the 2 service lines, which they did apply for HOP through Penn Dot. Fall-Fest: He mentioned Gabby, Rec, Britt, and CDC, all doing a great job planning. They have over twenty vendors, a magician, children's games, there is a chili cookoff, pumpkin carving contest and more. This event has been posted all over on the website, mobile app and Facebook page. Lastly, he added to the announcements below that Bulk Item and Electronics Recycling Collection Day will be held Saturday, September 24th from 10-2p.m. Bulk items and yard waste can be collected at Road Garage and Electronics collected at Antoline Park.

Items to Discuss: Pres. Booher briefly went over the following two resolutions. Council discussed.

- 1. VP Shotter **motioned** to adopt Resolution No. 6-2022. Second by Mr. D. Wilson. Motion carried unanimously.
- 2. Pres. Booher announced to table Resolution 7-22 to the regular council meeting next week since Solicitor Urick will be there in case there are questions. VP Shotter **motioned** to table to adopt Resolution No. 7-2022 to next meeting. Second by Mr. J. Wilson. Motion carried unanimously.
- 3. Mr. D. Wilson **motioned** to hire Mitchell Himes as full-time police officer at an hourly rate provided by the Collective Bargaining Agreement pending, he passes physical and physiological exam and drug screening. Second by Mr. J. Wilson. Motion carried unanimously.
 - >At 7:12pm, Mayor Antoline swore in Mitchell Himes as full-time Monaca Borough Police Officer/Patrolman. The audience gave a round of applause as mayor concluded.

Old/New Business:

>Mr. Michel asked about low hanging tree limbs in the borough and over borough roads. Mr. D. Wilson informed all that Duquesne Light is trimming trees right now in town and cleaning up branches covering the electrical lines. He also said DLC is going to the necessary homes knocking on doors and giving three options to the homeowners of how they would like the trees handled. Mr. Michel thanked him for the information, so he is prepared to know what the protocol is. >Mr. Yothers suggested giving the office staff an opportunity to take a day out of the week, possibly Fridays, to close the borough doors, and take by appointment only so they could get work done without interruptions. Council discussed. Pres. Booher said this decision can go on next meetings agenda.

Announcements: Mr. D. Wilson read the following announcements: September 15th is the last Food Truck Thursday of the season. Washington Plaza 4-7PM. Food trucks attending are Los Gingos, Trish's Truffles & Steel City Fries. October 1st is Fall Fest at Antoline Park 1-5PM. He announced there will also be a Chili Cook-off contest, a pumpkin carving contest, magician, children's games, and so much more. October 7th, Monaca CDC Friday Concert Series at Washington Plaza from 6-9PM.

<u>Executive Session</u>: Mrs. Majors **motioned** to enter Executive Session at 7:18pm for Personnel. Second by VP Shotter. Motion carried unanimously.

VP Shotter **motioned** to come out of Executive Session at 8:40pm. Second by Mr. J. Wilson. Motion carried unanimously.

VP Shotter motioned to resume the Public Meeting at 8:40pm. Second by Mrs. Majors. Motion carried unanimously.

<u>Adjourn</u>: There being no further business, VP Shotter **motioned** to adjourn the meeting at 8:41p.m. Second by Mr. J. Wilson. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Brittany Bologna, Secretary