

MONACA BOROUGH
Workshop Meeting Minutes
June 1st, 2021 at 7:18pm

The Work Shop Meeting of the Monaca Borough Council was held on the above date and time via Zoom communication remote 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. Blanarik- present
(vacant)	Mr. Michel- absent
Mr. LaPearle- present	Vice President Shotter- present
Mr. Wilson- present	President Booher- present

Others Present

Mayor Short; David L. Kramer, Jr.;

Visitors: Solicitor Mike Jones, was in attendance to give a recap of the Zoning hearing meeting that evening. He stated the hearing was complete and council may proceed with taking action on adopting the ordinance further in the meeting for the rezoning change of PROD District to R-3.

List of Attendees: Monaca Volunteer Fire Department representatives Chief Mike Siegel and Chief Glen Rambo were in attendance to give a power point presentation on fleet assessment of the fire department and what's going to happen to the fire apparatus once departments merge. He passed a booklet out to each council member which explained the future plan and gave current apparatus state of each vehicle. Council asked questions pertaining to fire tax. VP Chris Shotter spoke as Monaca VFD President and answered the question accordingly. He stated the 2 mill fire tax is split by 1 mill goes to the building and 1 mill goes toward the apparatus plan. Council then discussed with Fire Chief Siegel how they would sell parts from the fire apparatus and debated the best way to do so. The presentation and discussion ended at 8:06pm.

Manager's Update: Mr. Kramer gave the following project updates.

Waterline projects are both moving along. They are set to begin June seventh on Pennsylvania Avenue for Phase 1. Phase 2 is currently out for bid, which will open June twenty-second. Kermiet Avenue waterline replacement will be done next Monday as well. They are still waiting to hear back from RCAP awards. Summer help is set to start next Monday as well. Lastly, he did submit request to Senator Casey last Friday. Pres. Booher paused and thanked Mr. Kramer for working on this grant submittal and getting it all done in one week. Mr. Wilson asked if anyone else around the county submitted for this grant. Mr. Kramer said Aliquippa, RiverWise, Beaver Falls, and Ambridge all submitted for this grant as well.

New Business/Items to Discuss:

1. Mrs. Majors **motioned** to adopt Ordinance No. 975, amending the Borough Zoning Map
2. VP Shotter **motioned** to table discussion of the daycare to Executive session. Second by Mr. Wilson. Pres. Booher asked the audience three times if there were any questions on the motion. There were none. Motion carried unanimously.

President Booher went around the room for council's comments on old/new business.

-Mrs. Majors had a question about the arts in Monaca project. She remembered Mayor stating there were spires from the bridge up at the road garage that are mobile. She said the CDC was wondering if they could bring them down to plaza and paint them with historic old business scenes in Monaca. Mr. Majors said there could be a sealant put on them as a protective coating. Council discussed. She was asking Council's blessing on behalf of the Monaca CDC. And then they also wish to do the Pump house "welcome" sign which will be done in aluminum rather than wood. Mrs. Majors said she will get the designs/sketches from the artists and present it to council to review before anything is completed.

-Mr. LaPearle asked for an update with the HUD funding. Mr. Kramer said the Commissioners and Marlene are meeting tomorrow. He asked if they should contact the design team for the project. Mr. Kramer reassured him that they are on hold at the time.

-Mr. McLaughlin said Veterans Memorial Park grass and the area looked really nice for the ceremony that was held on Memorial Day.

Executive Session: VP Shotter **motioned** to go into Executive session for Contractual matters at 8:21pm. Second by Mr. LaPearle. Motion carried unanimously.

VP Shotter **motioned** to come out of executive session at 8:51pm. Second by Mr. Wilson. Motion carried unanimously.

VP Shotter **motioned** to resume to public meeting at 8:51pm. Second by Mrs. Majors. Motion carried unanimously.

Announcements: Mr. Blanarik read the announcements: June 11th, Monaca Friday Concert Series is back. Live music (featured musicians TBA) to play at Washington Plaza from 6-9pm, sponsored by the Monaca CDC. June 26th- Monaca Mad Dash 5K Run/Walk at Antoline Park. Registration will begin at 7:45A.M. Race will begin at 9:00A.M. June 26th, Monaca Community Day event, new times are from 5pm to 10pm, located on Atlantic Ave by the Pump house. Fireworks will display at 9:45pm sponsored by the Beaver County Boom.

Adjourn: There being no further business, VP Shotter **motioned** to adjourn the meeting at 8:53p.m. Second by Mr. McLaughlin. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Brittany Bologna, Secretary