

**MONACA BOROUGH**  
**Council Meeting Minutes**  
**May 11<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 7:00pm**  
(in person & virtual)

The Regular Meeting of the Monaca Borough Council was held on the above date and time in person and via the Zoom communication remote application. The Meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**Roll Call**

Mrs. Majors-present @ 7:10pm	Mr. McLaughlin- present
Mr. Mitchell- present	Mr. Blanarik- present
(Vacant)	Mr. Michel- present
Mr. LaPearle- present	Vice President Shotter- virtually present
Mr. Wilson- present	President Booher- present
Mayor Simon D. Short-present @ 7:05pm	

**Others Present**

David L. Kramer, Jr. & Rich Urick, Esq.

**Visitors:** None

**Communications:** **Jackson Avenue Bid opening-** Mr. Kramer announced there are 2 bid which was received on Friday May seventh. Mr. Kramer opened the bids. The first bid was from DC Land development, LLC in the amount of \$7,000.00. The second bid was from Edward Keller in the amount of \$22,500.00.

**Minutes:** Mrs. Majors **motioned** to approve virtual workshop meeting minutes of **April 20<sup>th</sup>, 2021**. Second by Mr. Blanarik. Motion carried unanimously. Mr. Mitchell **motioned** to approve virtual Council Meeting Minutes of **April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2021**. Second by Mr. McLaughlin. Motion carried unanimously. Mr. LaPearle **motioned** to approve virtual Council Meeting Minutes of **May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2021**. Second by Mr. LaPearle. Motion carried unanimously.

**Fiscal and Contractual-** Mr. Wilson **motioned** to approve the monthly bills. Second by Mrs. Majors. Motion carried unanimously.

**Mayors Report-** the Honorable Mayor Short gave his report for the Month of April 2020.

Citations and Parking Tickets: **212**

Criminal Arrests: **21**

Call For Service: **477**

Total Miles patrolled: **2967 miles**

**Managers' Report:** Mr. Kramer gave his report. He gave a brief recap of the preconstruction meeting held last Wednesday for Phase I of the Streetscape project. They are looking to start June first. He also rescheduled the fountain meeting due to weather. In regards to the TIF, rep Michael informed them to reach out to the School Board to schedule meeting. And they will meet with the county at the end of May. He then touched base on Pacific Avenue waterline project. The crew is working hard. He mentioned the email communications from Marlene Director of Community Development of Beaver County in regards to the \$1.5 million dollars. According to HUD, the sidewalks are in the Business district and not in a low or moderate income area, the project does not meet HUD guidelines. Mr. Kramer said that he asked her why the borough is just hearing about this now after 3 years when told before it was approved. He told her this isn't sitting well with them since hundreds of thousands of dollars have been spent toward the project. They will be setting up a meeting with the commissioners and herself. He also told council they reached out to Congressman Lamb's office for help as well. Pres. Booher added they also reached out to Borough Solicitor Rich Urick who also advised the Borough to also get with the commissioners and Cong. Conor Lamb.

**Solicitors Report:** Solicitor Urick gave his report.

**Department Report** – Curt DiGiovine, WWTP Supervisor was in attendance and gave the April 2021 report. After his report, Mr. Kramer thanked the Curt and the WWTP crew for all their hard work they've been doing as well.

**Ordinance Review Committee Report-** None. He did mention they do have the sidewalk opening that they will be working on and ordinance to give permission for dogs to be in public spaces once Fire department MOU has been completed.

**Monaca Recreation Report-** Mr. Blanarik had nothing to report.

**New Business:**

1. Pres. Booher recommended the Jackson Avenue Bid be tabled to discuss in Executive Session. Mr. Wilson made the **motioned** to table Jackson Avenue Bid to Executive. Second by Mr. Michel. Motion carried unanimously.
2. VP Shotter **motioned** to authorize Borough Manager to enter into agreement with iWorQ Systems Inc. for new permit database system for an annual amount of \$6,500.00 plus an implementation fee of \$2,500.00. Second by Mr. LaPearle. Motion carried unanimously.
3. Mrs. Majors **motioned** to approve Columbia Gas quote to install gas line for the generator in the amount of \$20,579.77. Second by Mr. Mitchell. Motion carried unanimously.
4. Mr. Blanarik **motioned** to approve \$2,500 Gold Sponsorship for Beaver County Boom. Second by Mr. McLaughlin. Motion carried unanimously.
5. Mayor Short briefly explained the LPR Camera/Network for the police department in the amount of \$48,068.00 (\$6,068.00 to be paid from Borough) and annual fee of \$5,800.00 per year beginning in 2022. Solicitor Urick advised they do not discuss any further details about the cameras in the public meeting. Chief Piuri added comment about the cameras and gave purpose behind them. He also added that the District Attorney is willing to give \$15,000 toward the project. VP Shotter asked about the \$27,000 dollar funds and will it go toward the K-9 program. Chief Piuri said yes and no. He said there is more money coming. The \$27,000 is from a certain case and more money is coming in a sizable chunk that will also go toward the K-9 program. Mr. Wilson **motioned** to approve purchase of the LPR Camera/Network for the police department in the amount of \$48,068.00 (\$6,068.00 to be paid from Borough) and annual fee of \$5,800.00 per year beginning in 2022. Second by Mr. Michel. Motion carried unanimously.
6. Pres. Booher briefly discussed the three purchased vehicles that were motioned in the last meeting for the police and which vehicles will be designated to which officer. Mr. Michel **motioned** to approve purchase of 2021 Chevrolet Tahoe K-9 Vehicle in the amount of \$65,762.28 on a 3 year lease. Second by Mr. Blanarik. Motion carried unanimously.
7. Pres. Booher recommended council discuss the lease for Daycare at CJ Mangin in executive session. Mr. Wilson **motioned** to table entering into new lease with Abby Bernard and Daycare at CJ Mangin to Executive Session. Second by Mr. Michel. Motion carried unanimously.

**Citizens:** None

**Announcements:** Mayor Short read the announcements: May 18<sup>th</sup>- Primary Election/ Workshop Meeting scheduled for May Nineteenth. May 22<sup>nd</sup>- Beaver County Drive-Thru Recycling Collection, 9:00am to 1:00pm @Brady's Run Park. May 31<sup>st</sup>, Borough Office closed in observance of Memorial Day. May 31<sup>st</sup>, Memorial Day Parade sponsored by the Legion beginning at 10:30am. Ceremony to follow at Veterans Park lead by Honorable Mayor Short. Garbage & Recycling collection scheduled for Tues/Wed the week of Memorial Day.

**Executive Session:** VP Shotter **motioned** to go into Executive Session for Legal and Real Estate matters at 7:38pm. Second by Mr. Mitchell. Motion carried unanimously.

VP Shotter **motioned** to come out of Executive Session at 10:32pm. Second by Mr. Blanarik. Motion carried unanimously.

VP Shotter **motioned** to resume the public meeting at 10:32pm. Second by Mr. Blanarik. Motion carried unanimously.

**Adjournment:** There being no further business, VP Shotter **motioned** to adjourn the meeting at 10:33pm. Second by Mr. Michel. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Brittany Bologna, Secretary

