

**MONACA BOROUGH**  
**Virtual**  
**Budget & Council Meeting Minutes**  
**November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 6:00pm**

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

**Roll Call**

Mrs. Majors-present	Mr. McLaughlin- present
Mr. Mitchell- present	Mr. Blanarik- present
(Vacant)	Mr. Michel- present
Mr. LaPearle- present	Vice President Shotter- present
Mr. Wilson- present	President Booher- present
Mayor Simon D. Short-present	

**>2022 BUDGET MEETING<** (6:00PM-6:15PM) In this portion of the meeting, Mr. Kramer gave explanation to all changes and updates to the proposed 2022 budget for Water, Sewer and General Funds. The Budget meeting ending at 6:15PM. Council took a break until 7:00PM. The regular council meeting began at 7:00PM.

**Others Present**

David L. Kramer, Jr.-present, Rich Urick, Esq.

**Visitors:** None

**Communications:** None

**Solicitors Report:** Solicitor Urick was in attendance. He began by first thanking the borough for their thoughts, prayers, gifts as he was recovering from being sick. He stated they will go into Executive session that evening to discuss the Covid vaccine policy. He mentioned to council that the advertisement for Wayne/Taylor Avenue properties has been prepared and council will later make a motion in the meeting to authorize him to advertise for this. Lastly, he thanked all once more for everyone's sincere thoughts and prayers and delicious cookies sent to him during his recovery.

**Minutes:** Mr. Blanarik **motioned** Motion to approve the Budget & Council Meeting Minutes of October 26<sup>th</sup>, 2021. Second by Mrs. Majors. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Mitchell **motioned** to Workshop Meeting Minutes of November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2021. Second by Mr. McLaughlin. Motion carried unanimously.

**Fiscal and Contractual-** Mr. Blanarik **motioned** to approve the monthly bills. Second by Mr. LaPearle. Motion carried unanimously.

**Mayors Report-** the Honorable Mayor Short gave his report for the **Month of October 2021.**

Citations and Parking Tickets: **182**

Criminal Arrests: **18**

Calls for Service: **466**

Total Miles patrolled: **3,994 miles**

**Managers' Report:** Mr. Kramer gave his report. He touched base on the Pennsylvania Avenue Waterline replacement project and the progress they are making. He also inquired a Zoning Board member is needed and they will discuss in a later meeting those who they wish to appoint.

**Department Report** – Curt DiGiovine, WWTP Supervisor was in attendance and gave his report for the month of October 2021.

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

**Monaca Recreation Report-** Mr. Blanarik had nothing to report until their next meeting. As for now, they are working on Hometown Christmas event.

**Monaca Library Report-** Mr. LaPearle had nothing to report.

**New Business:**

1. Mrs. Majors **motioned** to advertise the proposed 2022 Water Budget. Second by Mr. McLaughlin. Motion carried unanimously.
2. Mr. Billy **motioned** to advertise the proposed 2022 Sewer Budget. Second by Mrs. Majors. Motion carried unanimously.
3. Mr. LaPearle **motioned** to advertise the proposed 2022 General Budget. Second by Mr. Blanarik. Motion carried unanimously.
4. Mr. Michel **motioned** to approve payment #2 to Ferpel in the amount of \$285,957.00 for Phase 2 of the PA Avenue Waterline Project. Second by Mr. McLaughlin. Motion carried unanimously.
5. Mr. Michel **motioned** to approve Widmer Engineer to begin design of 9<sup>th</sup> Street & Pennsylvania Ave. intersection Sewer Separation project. Second by Mrs. Majors. Motion carried unanimously.
6. Mr. Michel **motioned** to approve payment #5 to JP Environmental in the amount of \$74,234.70 for WWTP Secondary Clarifier Mechanical Replacement project. Second by Mr. Mitchell. Motion carried unanimously.
7. Mr. Michel **motioned** to approve invoice from Stefanik's in the amount of \$56,998.00 for supply labor equipment and materials for emergency sewer repair on Elm Street. Second by Mr. LaPearle. Motion carried unanimously.
8. Pres. Booher went over the Wayne/Taylor Avenue lot for bid advertisement that Solicitor Urick has prepared. VP Shotter **motioned** authorize Borough Solicitor to advertise Wayne/Taylor Avenue lot for bid. Second by Mr. McLaughlin. Motion carried unanimously.

**Citizens:** None

**Announcements:** Mayor Short read the announcements: Thursday, November 11<sup>th</sup> Borough Office will be closed for Veterans Day. November 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>, Borough office Closed for Thanksgiving Holiday. December 4<sup>th</sup>, Parade & Hometown Christmas Celebration. Parade will begin at 1:30PM at St. Johns and will end at Washington Plaza where there will be an array of activities, food, music, gingerbread house decorating contest, caroling, and the traditional Lighting of the Christmas tree at 5:30pm.

**Executive Session:** VP Shotter **motioned** to go into Executive Session under personnel at 7:24PM. Second by Mrs. Majors. Motion carried unanimously.

\*Due to being unable to let the Public back into the Zoom meeting, the Executive Session and meeting of **November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2021** was continued to the next regular meeting of **November 16<sup>th</sup>, 2021** workshop meeting which a quorum was present. Council voted to adjourn Executive Session and returned to regular session at which a **motion** was made by VP Shotter and second by Mr. Blanarik to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

Brittany Bologna, Secretary