

MONACA BOROUGH
Virtual Council Meeting Minutes
September 28th, 2021 at 7:00pm

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

Roll Call

Mrs. Majors-present	Ken McLaughlin- present
Mr. Mitchell- absent	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	

Others Present

Dave L. Kramer, Jr., Rich Urick, Esq. (**absent**)

Engineers Report: Mr. Tony Sadaka of Widmer Engineer gave his report. After his report, he was excused from the meeting.

Visitors: None

Communications: Mr. Kramer read aloud a letter from Frank Bovalino from Beaver Borough. This letter is regarding the Beaver pool. Mr. Bovalino is asking support from the surrounding communities for funding purposes. VP Shotter asked which grants they are applying for incase they are submitting for ones that the Borough is applying for. Mr. Kramer said that's a good question and will get back to council regarding their grant submittal options.

Minutes- Mrs. Majors **motioned** approve regular Council Meeting Minutes of September 14th, 2021. Second by Mr. LaPearle. Motion carried unanimously.

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

Manager Report- Mr. Kramer gave his report. Mr. Kramer touched base on the Waterline project. Jake Iorio, Road Dept foreman also gave a recap. Mr. Wilson added a comment and thanked the road department and office staff for helping and working on the weekends with a current water issue.

Mr. Kramer then updated council on Marlene Landrums email regarding HUD funding. Next, he announced the upcoming public virtual meeting that Penn Dot is having on October 20th at 5pm to 6:30pm in regard to the Monaca Gateway Project on 17th Street. Public participation is welcome and encouraged during the meeting. He then announced the KSA meeting on Friday for the RCAP that he will update council on. Mr. Kramer then gave a quick recap of the successful Electronics Day and they will certainly do another one for the number of people they had. He thanked those who worked the event as well. Lastly, he announced Wednesday, October 6th is COG Municipal Fire Service Workshop Meeting at CJ from 8:30am-11:30am that he will be attending.

Borough Solicitors Report- Solicitor Urick was absent. Borough Manager Mr. Kramer read an email sent by Solicitor Urick of the following: 1.) Resolution is being drafted for the K-9 vehicle. 2.) If property at Wayne/Taylor Ave gets passed a draft of bid specs will need done. 3.) Fire truck purchase with agreement to sign will need signed off on. 4.) He asked if Daycare contract ready to be signed, And Mr. Kramer answered aloud and said yes, it is ready to be signed. 5.) Title search for Taylor Avenue property is still pending. 6.) He sent a draft of the Mechanical devices Ordinance to Pres Booher and himself. He blended the Ordinance with 2 different ones in the county. 7.) He then went over the steps to vacate Buckeye Alley, Summit Avenue & Marshall Road request by DC Land Development. First step already completed receiving request letter. Mr. Kramer said the second step would be seeing the layout/drawings of the property and which portions they wish to vacate. He stated he will have these and send them to council to view. 8.) He then mentioned Solicitor Urick did research on Covid vaccines/weekly covid-testing for Borough employees. Mr. Kramer added he and Mayor Short are currently working on that issue. 9.) Lastly, the appeals from the assessments. Mike Jones sat in for Rich. They did not

mention any decisions.

New Business:

1. Pres. Booher added, before they vote on Wayne/Taylor Avenue, he was told by engineer Tony Sadaka this should have a Clause written up before it goes out to bid mentioning the easement. Mr. Michel asked if we are selling it. Pres. Booher said yes, and they need to put in this clause before we put it out for bid. VP Shotter asked if they had an appraised value on this. Mr. Kramer said yes.
2. Mr. Kramer announced the difference between the 2 proposals for both backhoe from Cleveland Brothers is either a 7 year or 8 year. Nothing further was discussed.
3. Also previously discussed, President Booher confirmed they will wait for more information to approve D.C. Land Development LLC's request to vacate portions of Buckeye Alley, Summit Avenue and Marshall Road.
4. VP Shotter **motioned** to approve Borough Manager & Council President to sign Lease documents for new pumper. Second by Mr. McLaughlin. Mr. Michel asked are they leasing this with a buy out at the end. Mr. Kramer said yes. VP Shotter reiterated it's the same structure as a police vehicle. Motion carried unanimously.

Citizens: None

Announcements: Mayor Short read the following announcements: October 1st: Monaca Friday Concert Series at Washington Plaza, 6-9pm. October 1st: Movie in the Park playing Goosebumps, beginning at Dusk. Monday, October 4th: Fall Leaf Collection begins. October 8th-10th: PSAB Fall Conference. October 21st: Food Truck Thursday. October 28th: Trick-Or-Treat from 6-8pm.

Executive Session: None

Adjournment: There being no further business, VP Shotter **motioned** to adjourn the meeting at 7:45pm. Second by Mr. LaPearle. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Brittany Bologna, Secretary