

Council Chambers
Monongahela, PA
August 10, 2016

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Council of the City of Monongahela, due notice of which meeting was published according to law, held Wednesday August 10, 2016 at 7 P.M. in Council Chambers. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Kepics who led in the pledge to the flag.

The roll was called and the following present:

Bob Kepics
Tom Caudill
Al Veliky
Ken Kulak
Daryl Miller

Mayor Kepics announced that those speaking in public forum will be limited to five minutes per subject.

Public Forum:

Chad DeSantis, Lawton Street, asked permission to close Sherman Street on October 2 for a Neighborhood Block Party. Chief Tempest said it would be alright if no residents objected and it was agreed that the time would be from noon until 5:00. He also said that the Mon City Scoop would be conducting a raffle fundraiser for the benefit of Clayton Bobnar who works with feral cats and asked for support of the chicken ordinance.

Dave Frye, 826 Lawrence Street, informed council he has almost been hit while attempting to turn onto 4th Street from Main Street and asked council if a turning lane would be established. Chief Tempest said that PennDOT has ruled that we cannot make a turning lane unless all the parking meters on the other side of the street are removed. Councilman Caudill asked that our solicitor look into the problem. Mr. Frye also asked about the chicken ordinance as he knows many residents who do not want them. Solicitor Bassi said there will be a second reading at this meeting.

Bud Cook, Coal Center, informed council about a program entitled "Marketing the Mon Valley" hosted by Donora Borough and invited all present to attend.

Terry Necciai, 400 Meade Street, gave an update on the Main Street Program which is celebrating its one year anniversary as a non-profit organization and has given their first approval for the Main Street Facade Program for Tom Ruschak.

Tom Ruschak, owner of 424 Main Street, thanked council for the opportunity to restore his building as a result of the city receiving a grant through the Washington County LSA Program. He said he hopes that many other businesses would take advantage of the program.

Alan Benyak, 29 Craven Drive, introduced himself as the democratic nominee for the State House of Representatives and just wanted to say hello and if elected his agenda will be for property tax reform.

Michelle Parnell, 31 Decker Street, asked for support of the chicken ordinance and hoped for a resolution this evening.

Report of City Clerk:

Police Report

It was recommended and so moved by Mayor Kepics, seconded by Councilman Miller, the police report be approved, and the same was agreed to by the following Yea and Nay vote to the call of the roll by the Clerk:

