

Council Chambers
Monongahela, PA
November 8, 2017

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 November 8, 2017 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

Public Forum:

Melvin O'Brien, 168 West Main Street, complained about bicycles and skateboards on the sidewalks and streets. Chief Tempest said there is a curfew and it is enforced and also the city has many bicycles and skateboards that have been confiscated. The city also has an ordinance stating no bicycles, skateboards or scooters are allowed on the sidewalks of Main Street between 1st and 5th Streets.

Peggy Brown, Meade Street, stated that the Monongahela Main Street Program was awarded a \$1,000.00 grant from the Washington County Community Foundation to develop a state certified polinator garden at the city's Welcome to Monongahela sign at East Main Street & Route 88.

Terry Necciai, 400 Meade Street, distributed the monthly calendars and thanked all who helped with the hanging of 37 jack-o-lanterns. Lowes and Home Depot have donated dwarf spruce trees which will be planted in the planters along Main Street. The Library will be closed from Thanksgiving until possibly December 10 in order to replace new lighting. He also asked that Susan Gruber be appointed to the facade program.

George Eckert, President of MARC, announced that MARC will be sponsoring a Holiday Decorating Contest at no cost to enter. It is for both residential and commercial properties.

Jim Braum, 503 Park Avenue, commended the city saying it looks cleaner and better and to keep it up.

Mike Petrosky, 1032 Fifth Avenue, asked is anything about making 5th Avenue one way and the probability of adding speed bumps. Chief Tempest said that speed humps are permitted but not speed bumps. Speed humps are three inches lower and have many restrictions. The city would also lose its liquid fuels money for maintenance and snow removal on that street.

Chad DeSantis, Lawton Street, on behalf of Mr. Necciai, asked who said the VFW was going to disband the Veterans Banner Program. Mayor Kepics said he would not go into it now. He also asked where the complain has gone regarding the lawsuit against the city that was discussed at the work session. Solicitor Pappasergi said there was no comment as it is pending litigation. Mr. DeSantis asked if the city could re-consider implementing a citizens review board.

Dave Frye, Lawrence Street, asked what is going to happen to Lawrence Street since it has been ground up and if fiber mat would be used again. He was told it would probably be paved when the weather permits.

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:

