

Council Chambers  
Monongahela, PA.  
December 12, 2018

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 December 12, 2018 at 7:00 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  
Ken Kulak  
Claudia Williams  
Daryl Miller  
William Polonoli

Public Forum:

Washington County District Attorney Eugene Vittone presented the city a check in the amount of \$2,695.50. The money was collected from drug arrests and once approved by the court, it is split between the DA's office and the city.

Diane Roman, complained about the property at 210 Ninth St. that was sold instead of being demolished as was intended. Councilwoman Williams said the house was on the demolition list and was also on the county repository sales list. A letter has been sent to the property owner who has 90 days to bring it up to code. Ms. Roman was assured the city will be taking all steps to insure the house will be either brought up to code or demolished.

Terry Necciai, 400 Meade Street, reported that Union Twp. will not be giving their allotment this year to the Monongahela Library and the Library has already had to reduce the Saturday hours. He thanked the city for its continued support. The Monongahela Main Street Youth Program would like to have a street fair during the 250th Celebration on Railroad Street and would like to see it that will be possible to block off the street. He also asked council about water breaks which are not fixed by the water company in a timely manner. There have been four water main breaks on Meade Street within six months where water is running under the pavement.

Chad DeSantis, Decker Street, agreed with Mr. Necciai about the water leaks on Meade Street, but added there have been similar leaks on Lawrence Street.

Gretchen Clegg De Lopez, 507 Second Street, asked if there was an engineering report yet on the hillside on Second Street. She was told there wasn't but the house is scheduled to be demolished next week.

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 votes to the call for the roll by the Clerk:

Yeas

Bob Kepics  
Ken Kulak  
Claudia Williams  
Daryl Miller  
William Polonoli

Total Yeas 5  
Nays 0

The motion having received the majority vote of Council the same was declared by Mayor Kepics and so ordered.

Code Enforcement Report:

It was recommended and so moved by Councilwoman Williams, seconded by Councilman Kulak, the Code Enforcement 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:

Yeas

Bob Kepics  
Ken Kulak  
Claudia Williams  
Daryl Miller  
William Polonoli

Total Yeas 5  
Nays 0

The motion having received the majority vote of Council the same was declared by Mayor Kepics and so ordered.

2nd reading of Bill 4-2018 - the 2019 Budget

It was recommended and so moved by Councilman Kulak, seconded by Mayor Kepics, that Bill 4-2018 be adopted and become Ordinance 4-2018, and the same was agreed to by the following Yea and Nay vote to the call of the roll by the Clerk:

Yeas

Bob Kepics  
Ken Kulak  
Claudia Williams  
Daryl Miller  
William Polonoli

Total Yeas 5  
Nays 0

The motion having received the majority vote of Council the same was declared by Mayor Kepics and so ordered.

1st reading of Bill 5-2018 - Tax Millage for 2019

Bill 6-2018 - Tax Re-enactments for 2019

Bill 7-2018 - Salary Ordinance for 2019

Resolution 15-2018 CDBG funding for 2019

It was recommended and so moved by Mayor Kepics, seconded by Councilman Miller, Resolution 15-2018 be adopted as read, and the same was agreed to by the following Yea and Nay vote to the call of the roll by the Clerk:

Yeas

Bob Kepics  
Ken Kulak  
Claudia Williams  
Daryl Miller  
William Polonoli

Total Yeas 5  
Nays 0

The motion having received the majority vote of Council the same was declared by Mayor Kepics and so ordered.

Opening of bids for Tax Anticipation Loan:

CFS Bank	\$500,000.00	2.956%
KeyBank	\$500,000.00	3.61%

It was recommended and so moved by Councilwoman Williams, seconded by Mayor Kepics, the bid for the Tax Anticipation Loan be awarded to the lowest bidder, CFS Bank, upon review of the Solicitor, and the same was agreed to by the following Yea and Nay vote to the call of the roll by the Clerk:

Yeas

Bob Kepics  
Ken Kulak  
Claudia Williams  
Daryl Miller  
William Polonoli

Total Yeas 5  
Nays 0

The motion having received the majority vote of Council the same was declared by Mayor Kepics and so ordered.

Report of Mayor Kepics:

Asked if there were any corrections to the minutes of November 14 and November 28, 2018. There being none, the minutes were approved.

It was recommended and so moved by Mayor Kepics, seconded by Councilman Miller, to accept a three year police contract, and the same was agreed to by the following Yea and Nay vote to the call of the roll by the Clerk:

Yeas

Bob Kepics  
Ken Kulak  
Claudia Williams  
Daryl Miller  
William Polonoli

Total Yeas 5  
Nays 0

The motion having received the majority vote of Council the same was declared by Mayor Kepics and so ordered.

Mayor Kepics announced there will be free parking from December 13 until January 2, 2019.

Report of Accounts & Finance:

Councilman Kulak announced that the one-half mill increase in property taxes is due to increases across the board to keep finances in order.

Report of Public Safety:

It was recommended and so moved by Councilwoman Williams, seconded by Councilman Polonoli, to extend the trash contract with Big's for one additional year, and the same was agreed to by the following Yea and Nay vote to the call of the roll by the Clerk:

Yeas

Bob Kepics  
Ken Kulak  
Claudia Williams  
Daryl Miller  
William Polonoli

Total Yeas 5  
Nays 0

The motion having received the majority vote of Council the same was declared by Mayor Kepics and so ordered.

It was recommended and so moved by Councilwoman Williams, seconded by Councilman Polonoli, permission be granted to hire Tom Bonidie effective January 1 with a ninety day probation for the position of rental inspector and become code enforcement officer pending his re-certification, and the same was agreed to by the following Yea and Nay vote to the call of the roll by the Clerk:

Yeas

Bob Kepics  
Ken Kulak  
Claudia Williams  
Daryl Miller  
William Polonoli

Total Yeas 5  
Nays 0

The motion having received the majority vote of Council the same was declared by Mayor Kepics and so ordered.

Report of Streets & Improvements:

Councilman Miller reported that the leaf collection is ongoing and commended the street department for a job well done for the first snowfall of the season.

Report of Parks & Property:

Councilman Polonoli asked the public to refrain from the feeding of the ducks and geese at the Aquatorium. He also announced that he is looking into the possibility of closing the Aquatorium for the winter.

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

Yeas

Bob Kepics  
Ken Kulak  
Claudia Williams  
Daryl Miller  
William Polonoli

Total Yeas 5  
Nays 0

The motion having received the majority vote of Council the same was declared by Mayor Kepics and so ordered.

It was moved by Mayor Kepics, seconded by Councilman Miller, council adjourn, and the same was agreed to by the following Yea and Nay vote to the call of the roll by the Clerk:

Yeas

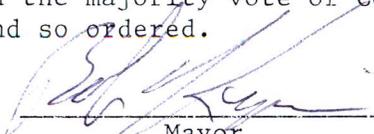
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Total Yeas 5  
Nays 0

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ATTEST:

Carole Foglia  
City Clerk

  
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Mayor