

Council Chambers
Monongahela, PA
July 12, 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 July 12, 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:

Chad DeSantis, Lawton Street, asked if there was a date set for the demolition of the house at 1135 Lawton Street and the house at East Main & Nelson. This project will commence when CDBG funds are received by the Washington County Redevelopment Authority. On behalf of Don Anderson at 104 Third Avenue, he reported a storm drain in front of that location that is overflowing. Councilman Kulak said he would look into it. Mr. DeSantis recommended to council to consider forming a citizen review board after previewing prior misconduct of three former Monongahela police officers. Councilman Kulak asked what would have been different in those three instances had the city had a review board. DeSantis said if nothing else, it would be a deterrent. Mayor Kepics said the police do a fine job. Chief Tempest said that if a resident has a complaint, they can come to the station and file a complaint form.

Karl Amoroso, Chess Street, thanked council for getting Main Street fixed and asked when Chess Street is being done. Councilman Kulak said the city is working on it but at the present there is a possible storm sewer collapse.

George Eckert, President of the Monongahela Area Revitalization Corp. (MARC), informed council that the 3rd Monday in September will be the town hall meeting with the county commissioners to address blighted properties. Plans are also in the process of securing naming rights for its 5K race.

Terry Necciai, 400 Meade Street, said he is glad to see so many things happening in this positive community and the calendar this month is about activities and people.

John Conte, Lawton Street, asked if there can be some boarding up on the ground level at the house at 1135 Lawton Street. The grass in the back of the house is 3 to 4 feet deep. Solicitor Pappasergi said there are property rights that we have to protect along with funding issues.

Report of City Clerk:

Police Report

It was recommended and so moved by Mayor Kepics, seconded by Councilman Caudill, 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:

Yeas

Bob Kepics
Tom Caudill
Al Veliky
Ken Kulak
Daryl Miller

Total Yeas 5
Nays 0

