

Council Chambers
Monongahela, PA
October 9, 2019

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 October 9, 2019 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:

Tim Parsons, Fourth Street, informed council they are not doing their jobs because he previously filed a complaint on Dustin Devault in 2017 and they should take their oaths of office more seriously.

Laura Magone, on behalf of the Monongahela Historical Society, announced there will be a free screening on November 6 at the Ringgold Middle School about native Sgt. Vernon Hamilton, who was shot down in Germany. The documentary is being produced by former Ringgold alumni David Solomon.

Dana Miller, representing the Monongahela Area Revitalization Committee, announced that MARC is sponsoring a Halloween decorating contest and outlined the various categories.

Kenneth Yonek, presented a program on water conservation and the conductivity of water with the sampling of Pidgeon Creek.

James Brawn, Carroll Township, informed council that the Mid Mon Valley Railroad Club will be starting their open houses starting in November and continuing through January. He will have flyers to distribute next month.

Lori Massafra, speaking on behalf of her grandmother, she inquired about a light pole on Jackson Street near the Marra Funeral Home. Mayor Kepics said he would contact West Penn Power.

Karla Roman, Ninth Street, asked for the status of her prior request to have the crosswalks painted at Modonna Catholic School. Street Foreman Mark Gadd asked if it was necessary. She replied it was necessary for the safety of the children she crosses. Mayor Kepics advised Mr. Gadd to paint them. She also asked the status of the house on Ninth Street and was told it is in a historical district and can't be torn down until the state allows it.

Chad DeSantis, Decker Street, asked what was spent on the recent proposed zoning change that the Planning Commission shot down with a 4-0 vote. The City Clerk responded many hours are needed for his right-to-know requests. Councilman Kulak said he will continue to work on his request.

Lynn Belluso, representing the 3rd Ward, asked what was the next step in the process of the re-zoning. Councilman Kulak asked if the Bill 2 gets tabled, how long will it stay in that stage and the Solicitor said indefinitely. Mr. Kulak then said that perhaps the 3rd ward group can do more research for better ideas. Councilwoman Williams asked if the Dry Run Road area could be re-zoned separately and the answer was yes. Solicitor Pappasergi said council could table the second reading of the bill and cancel the public hearing until such time to do more research.

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

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 carried by Mayor Kepics and so ordered.

Code Enforcement Report

It was recommended and so moved by Councilwoman Williams, seconded by Councilman Polonoli, 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 carried by Mayor Kepics and so ordered.

Resolution 14-2019 amending Resolution 1-2006 Civil Service Commission Rules & Regulations

It was recommended and so moved by Mayor Kepics, seconded by Councilman Kulak, Resolution 14-2019 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 carried by Mayor Kepics and so ordered.

Wallace Sub-division

It was recommended and so moved by Mayor Kepics, seconded by Councilman Kulak, the Wallace Sub-division 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 carried by Mayor Kepics and so ordered.

Report of Mayor Kepics:

Asked if there were any corrections to the minutes of September 11, 2019. There being none, the minutes were approved.

Announced that the beautification award for the month was given to Angelos II.

Presented a citation to Officer John Dytko for his work in apprehending a wanted criminal on his own time.

Report of Councilman Kulak:

Announced that the City Clerk position has been posted and the budget forms are ready to be distributed.

Presented a proclamation to the City Clerk for her years of service to the city. The City Clerk said it was an honor to serve her community and thanked her husband and family for their support over the years.

Report of Councilwoman Williams: None

Report of Councilman Miller:

Announced that leaf pick-up would start by the end of the month.

Report of Parks & Property:

Announced that another grant has been submitted since the Greenway Trails grant was denied.

Report of Solicitor Pappasergi:

Questioned council about the zoning map change and after much discussion of the zoning change the following motion was made.

It was recommended and so moved by Councilman Kulak, seconded by Mayor Kepics, to table any further consideration of Bill 2-2019 and to cancel the public hearing scheduled for November 13, 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 carried by Mayor Kepics and so ordered.

Solicitor Pappasergi informed council that even though the city approved the civil service rules and regulations, they still have to be ratified by the civil service board.

Report of Police Chief Harris:

Announced that once the civil service rules and regulations are ratified, he would like to move forward with the testing of a new police officer and he received a grant from the Office of Justice in the amount of \$6,569.71 for bullet proof vest for the police.

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:

Total Yeas 5
Nays 0

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

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

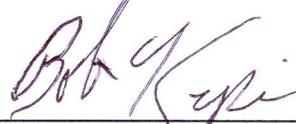
Yeas

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 carried by Mayor Kepics and so ordered.

Mayor Kepics then declared council adjourned.



Mayor

ATTEST:



City Clerk