

# COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

JANUARY 12, 2021

7:00PM

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Approval of minutes from the December 28, 2020 meeting Seconded by Councilman Gregor 5-0
5. Open the floor for public comment on agenda items only (3 minutes)
6. Correspondence:
  - A. State of the City Address
7. Old Business: N/A
8. City Treasurer: Gerald Saksun
  - A. Treasurer's Report for the month ending December 2020 Seconded by Councilman Gregor 5-0
  - B. Treasurer's Report on Revenue Comparisons for(2018-2019-2020)
9. City Controller: Rosalie Nicksich
  - A. Controller's Report for the month ending December 2020
- 10: New Business:

## **Mayor Matt Shorraw: Public Affairs**

- A. Motion to adopt Resolution 1 of 2021, a Resolution of the City of Monessen , Westmoreland County, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Adopting the Municipal Comprehensive Plan (The plan is on the City's website at [www.cityofmonessen.com](http://www.cityofmonessen.com)) Seconded by Councilman Gregor 5-0
- B. Motion to adopt Resolution 2 of 2021, a Resolution of the City of Monessen, Westmoreland County, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Adopting the

Westmoreland County Hazard Mitigation Plan. Seconded by Councilman Gregor 5-0

- C. Motion to approve a handicap parking space at 916 Athalia Avenue for Carmella Devine. Seconded by Councilwoman Lois Thomas.
- D. Motion to ratify the December 28, 2020 reappointment of Paul Beradelli to the Mon Valley Sewage Authority seconded Councilman Don Gregor. 5-0
- E. Motion to appoint DeVona Carter to the Planning Commission (4-year term beginning 1/1/2021) seconded Councilman Don Gregor 5-0
- F. Motion to appoint Jean Aiello to the Shade Tree Commission (1-year term beginning 1/1/2021) seconded Councilman Gil Coles 5-0
- G. Motion to appoint Marsha Adams to the Environmental Advisory Board (4-year term beginning 1/1/2021) seconded Councilman Don Gregor 5-0
- H. Motion to appoint Candid Kelley to the Environmental Advisory Board (4-year term beginning 1/1/2021) seconded Councilman Don Gregor 5-0
- I. Motion to appoint William Manus to the Zoning and Hearing Board (1-year term beginning 1/1/2021) seconded Councilman Don Gregor 5-0
- J. Motion to conduct the second reading of Ordinance 14-2020, an Ordinance of the City of Monessen, Westmoreland County, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, acknowledging certain conduct as discrimination in housing, commercial property, employment and public accommodations based upon race, color, religious creed, ancestry, age, sex, national origin, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, genetic information, handicap or disability, use of guide or support animals because the user is a handler or trainer of support or guide animals, providing for the creation of the City of Monessen Human Relations Commission; providing definitions; and providing for an effective date. Seconded Councilman Don Gregor
- K. Motion to conduct the second reading of Ordinance 16-2020 an Ordinance of the City of Monessen, Westmoreland County, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, requiring the mapping and documentation of the existence and removal of abandoned underground utilities; requiring the mapping and documentation of replacement utility lines; establishing fines and

enforcement; providing for an effective date. Seconded Councilman Gil Coles 5-0

- L. Motion to conduct the second reading of Ordinance 1229 (19-2020) an ordinance of the City of Monessen, Westmoreland County, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, correcting incorrectly numbered ordinances by and for the City of Monessen; and providing for an effective date. Seconded Councilman Don Gregor 5-0
- M. Motion to conduct the first reading of Bill 1-2021, Ordinance 1231, an ordinance of the City of Monessen, Westmoreland County, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, re-establishing a blighted property review board by and for the City of Monessen; re-establishing a purpose; re-establishing rules and regulations governing the board; providing definitions; providing procedures for the determination, acquisition, and reuse of blighted property; establishing an appeal process; establishing additional board functions; repealing Ordinance 5 of 2008; repealing Ordinance 7 of 1978; and providing for an effective date. Seconded Councilman Don Gregor 5 - 0
- N. Motion to advertise for the vacant positions on the Monessen Human Relations Commission. Seconded Councilman Don Gregoe 5 - 0
- O. Motion to approve the purchase of a 2020 Ford Interceptor- Model K8A AWD for the Police Dept. This vehicle will replace the vehicle that was previously totaled in November. The purchase price is \$43,811.00 using PA CoStars 013. Dealer is C. Harper Ford Seconded Councilman Don Gregor 3 – 2 No Councilman Tony Orzechowski and Councilwoman Lois Thomas
- P. Police Report for the month ending December
- Q. Police Report for the year ending 2020

**Councilwoman Lois Thomas: Department of Streets**

- A. Street Report for the month ending December
- B. Library Board Report (liaison)
  - 1. All repairs to the Library have been completed
- C. Redevelopment Authority Report (liaison)

**Councilman Anthony Orzechowski: Depart. Parks & Public Property**

- A. Parks Report for the month ending December

**Councilman Don Gregor: Department of Public Safety**

- A. Code Enforcement Office Financial Report
- B. Code Enforcement Activity Report
- C. Mon Valley Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Report
- D. Fire Department Report

**Councilman Gilbert Coles: Department of Accounts & Finance**

- A. Motion to approve payment of invoices-General Fund \$293,574.44 seconded  
Mayor Matt Shorraw 5 - 0
- B. Motion to approve payment of invoices-Liquid Fuels \$ 48,988.77 seconded  
Mayor Matt Shorraw 5 - 0
- C. Motion to approve payment of invoices-Line Usage \$ 10,525.68 seconded  
Mayor Matt Shorraw 5 - 0
- D. Motion to approve payment of invoices-Park Fund \$ 10,293.10 seconded  
Mayor Matt Shorraw 5 - 0
- E. Motion to approve payment of invoices-Recreation \$ 1,339.50 seconded  
Mayor Matt Shorraw 5 - 0
- F. Large Dollar Account balances, for the month ending December
  - 1. General Fund \$237,410.67
  - 2. Debt Service Fund \$ 91,842.80
  - 3. Line Usage Fund \$ 66,940.94
  - 4. Liquid Fuels Fund \$ 30,430.67
  - 5. Parks & Recreation \$ 29,564.99

10. Open floor for public comment on any item (3 minutes)

Message was read from Ernie Telegraphis.

Councilman Don Gregor reported Audit in process 2019 then 2020 we got an extension.

Ron Mozer talked about PA 1 call and cameras

11. Adjournment 8:32