

**COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA**  
**CITY OF MONESSEN**  
**CITY OF MONESSEN COUNCIL CHAMBERS**  
**JANUARY 26, 2023**  
**6:30PM**

**An Executive Session of the City Council of the City of Monessen was held on January 26th, at 5:30 pm in the Office of the Mayor, City Hall, Second Floor to discuss personnel matters of the City of Monessen.**

- 1. ROLL CALL OF ALL MEMBERS PRESENT.**
- 2. OPENING PRAYER OFFERED BY THE REVEREND JOHN CUSTER, ORCHARD CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP CHURCH, MONESSEN PENNSYLVANIA.**
- 3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.**
- 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS SESSION OF JANUARY 12<sup>TH</sup>, 2022.**
- 5. OPEN FLOOR FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY.**
- 6. CORRESPONDENCE**

**OLD BUSINESS N/A**

**7. REPORT OF THE SOLICITOR OF THE CITY OF MONESSEN.**

**8. REPORT OF THE CITY TREASURER OF THE CITY OF MONESSEN.**

**The Report of the Treasurer of the City of Monessen was provided at the Council Meeting of January 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023.**

**9. REPORT OF THE CITY CONTROLLER OF THE CITY OF MONESSEN**

**10. NEW BUSINESS**

**Mayor Ron Mozer, Director of Public Affairs**

Discussion on recent activities.

a. Motion to hire Alex Byers as a full-time Police Officer reporting to Chief Yuhasz at a rate of \$60,566.94 per year according to the Teamsters Local Union 205 Agreement representing the Police Department Employees.

b. Motion to hire Ronald Naylor as a full-time police officer reporting to Chief Yuhasz at a rate of \$60,566.94 per year according to the Teamsters Local Union 205 Agreement representing the Police Department Employees.

c. Motion to hire David Winkler as a part time police officer reporting to Chief Yuhasz at a rate of \$21.00 per hour according to the Teamsters Local Union 205 Agreement representing the Police Department Employees.

d. Motion to approve Notice to Proceed of Award by Greenman-Pedersen, Inc. to Advanced Builders, Inc. for demolition of the

property at 544 Donner Avenue in the City of Monessen for the amount of \$78,400.00 contingent on the receipt of all bonding, insurance and contracting documents and approval of the Engineer. See as "Exhibit 1"

e. As 2023 marks the 125<sup>th</sup> Year of Existence of the City of Monessen, there are several events scheduled throughout the year to Celebrate Monessen. A Motion for each of the following reserves the associated park at no cost and allows food vendors with the appropriate licensing, a safe food certificate from the City, and insurance which will indemnify the City with copies to be on file at City Hall no less than 2 days before each event.

f. Motion to reserve the City Park on May 20<sup>th</sup>, 2023, for Armed Services Day and Veterans Celebrations at the City Park.

g. Motion to reserve the City Park on July 29<sup>th</sup>, 2023, for the NAACP Heritage Festival and for the Mayor's Fireworks Extravaganza.

h. Motion to reserve the City Park for the MCDC Celebrate 125 Celebration on August 19, 2023.

i. Motion to Reserve the City Park Walking Track Area for the annual Mon Valley PAWS event on September 9, 2023.

j. Motion to approve advertising for 1 adult and 2 youth positions on the Recreation Board of the City of Monessen.

k. Motion to appoint Mark Panicucci for another term on the Monessen Recreation Board running from 1/1/2023 to 12/31/2026.

l. Motion to hire Armand Ferrara of Ferrara Appraisals to perform work and services for appraisal, building inspection, mold and related issues and inspection, and overall building review and examination to be fully prepared to offer the structure at 557 Donner Avenue in the City of Monessen for sale as soon as is possible over the next few days. The City Administrator will also assist in attending appointments of the vendors and opening the structure for access to keep costs down. The Total cost off the inspection, examination and report is \$1995.00. See as Exhibit "2"

m. Motion to Advertise for sealed bids for the purchase of the structure at 557 Donner Avenue following the completion of the examination, inspection and report on the subject.

n. Motion to approve the advertising of a position within the Monessen Streets Department for upcoming interview and consideration.

o. Motion to advertise the following open board and authority positions:

Environmental Advisory Board (2 positions, 5-year term)

Human Relations Commission (2 positions, 5-year term)

Monessen Planning Commission (2 positions, 4 year term)

Monessen Shade Tree Commission (1 position, 5 year term)

Mon Valley Refuse Authority (1 position, 5 year term)

Police Accountability and Internal Affairs (2 positions, 5 year term)

p. Motion to satisfy CDBG liens in the amount of \$14,910 for property 20-02-03-0-129 known as 220 Donner St.

q. Motion to approve the Employment Agreement for the 2023 calendar year of the City Clerk, of the City of Monessen, Cheryl Gordon, in the amount of \$47,000.00.

r. Motion to approve the Employment Agreement for the 2023 calendar year of the City Administrator of the City of Monessen, Michael J. Korposh in the amount of \$60,000.00.

s. Motion to hire Glenn A. Shipley at a rate of \$12.00 per hour as required to serve as Prisoner Watch at the Police Station facility.

t. Motion to hire A and J On Lot Services as the Sewer Enforcement Officers for the City of Monessen, based upon their fee schedule materials attached as "Exhibit "3" to this Motion.

**Councilman Anthony Orzechowski, Director of Accounts and Finance**

a. Motion to pay the following invoices from the General Fund in the amount of \$54,575.41 All invoices are attached to this Agenda as Attachment "A".

b. Motion to pay the following invoices from the Recreational Account in the amount of \$179.99. All invoices are attached to this Agenda as Attachment "B."

c. Motion to pay the following invoices from the Parks Fund in the amount of \$330.00. All invoices are attached to this Agenda as "Attachment "C".

d. Motion to pay the following invoices from the Grants Fund in the amount of \$456.20. All invoices are attached to this Agenda as "Attachment "D".

e. Motion to transfer \$3200.00 from the General Fund to the Health Care Account.

f. Motion to approve the transfer of \$65,998.85 from the General Fund to the Payroll Account to cover the payroll expenses for January 19, 2023.

g. Motion to transfer funds from the General Account to the Line Usage account for the 2018 balance year for a refund to the Line Usage account in the amount of \$7, 833.62. The Balance due to the Line Usage Account from the General Fund after this transaction would be \$344,150.93.

h. Motion to transfer funds from the General Fund to the Line Usage Account for the 2022 balance year for a refund to the Line Usage Account in the amount of \$42,555.78. The Balance due to the Line Usage Account after this transaction is \$301,595.15.

**Councilman Lois Thomas Director of Streets and Public Improvements**

Streets and Public Improvement Report for month ending December 31st, 2022.

**Councilman John Nestor, Director of Public Safety**

Police and Public Safety Report for month ending December 31st, 2022.

**Councilman Donald S. Gregor, Director of Parks, and Public Property**

Parks and Public Property Report for the month ending December 31st, 2022.

- a. Discussion and potential Motion by Councilman Gregor to resurface the Tennis courts at City Park utilizing American Recovery Act funds with the anticipated costs based upon the extent of the project and appropriate submitted bids and Option 1 @ approximately \$30,000.00, Option 2 @ approximately \$60,000.00, Option 3 @\$55,000.00 to \$65,000.00 See Exhibit “3”.
- b. Discussion and Motion by Councilman Gregor through Julie Thieser to accept a donation of a swing and frame in memory of her parents, lifelong residents, John and Dorothy Novakovich. She was looking for approval for Joseph’s Nursery to install the swing and frame at the City Park Walking Track.

**11. OPEN FLOOR FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON ANY ITEM.**

**12. ADJOURNMENT**