COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

CITY OF MONESSEN

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FEBRUARY 23, 2023

6:30PM

Meeting called to order by Ron Mozer at 6:30 pm.

1. ROLL CALL OF ALL MEMBERS PRESENT. Roll call by Michael Korposh – Anthony Orzechowski present – Lois Thomas present – John Nestor present – Donald Gregor present – Ron Mozer present

2. OPENING PRAYER OFFERED BY REV. ROBERT C. HOLMES, PASTOR OF CHRISTIAN LIFE MINISTRIES OF MONESSEN, PA. Opening prayer offered by Lois Thomas

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. Pledge lead by Ron Mozer

Motion to add Johanna from AJ Ceramics to the agenda – seconded by John Nestor – vote 5 – 0

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS SESSION OF FEBRUARY 9, 2023. Motion to approve previous session meeting minutes by Lois Thomas – seconded by John Nestor – vote 5 - 0

Johanna – 109 6TH Street – never had water in basement – tore the building down – Marvin and Lloyd stopped by – Desak plumbing came out – an extra line that was not shut off – walls in basement wet – dehumidifiers – shop vac – floor dry pads – drying agent – has been better since they took care off – church had damage too – not sure who's fault – contractor – water company – no one notified me – they gave information to the church but not me – a line ran for sprinkler systems – they never shut them off – we were not notified

(John Nestor – sorry – did the inspector check to see if all the lines were off) (Ron Mozer – not easy to answer – bottom line no one knew about the sprinkler line – turned off in 2015 – water went through the ground under church into your shop – the contractor should be held responsible for it) saw them today when they came for the equipment – gave my number – gutter hanging from Schoonmaker – I am concerned about that (Ron Mozer – working with them – it is not complete – the only one that is complete is the 5th street hotel – shared wall with the church – not protested for several months – they are liability – should have covered it – I will keep dogging it) I have made several calls here and no return calls – my building shook when the building went down – afraid of foundation damage (Ron Mozer – get an inspector)

5. OPEN FLOOR FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY.

Pino Cianflone – make sure what was said at the last meeting is correct – look where my name is – I did not say that – make sure whoever is do this is doing it right – whatever you right down should be correct – my father gave me a name – not that one – they gave me a false name

Ernest Telegrahis – 6th street fiasco with people getting water logged – systemic problem going back over 8 administrations – you get approval by contractor or Westmoreland County to do something – is there someone from the council to keep and evaluate how they are proceeding – you guys give at carte blanche – when there is a problem - you guys are chasing after the fact – someone should be there watching people – we do a contract project at your house – you don't just leave and say I'll see you later – come back later and see what they did – what is going down (Ron Mozer – it was not our project – it was a county project – we are going to have to start

doing that - we need to find a better way to control that) when we did the police and library project (Ron Mozer – that was a Monessen project) nobody watched it – we went $480,000 over the budget – another half a million – no body said nothing – we just pay the bills (Ron Mozer – there you go - we don't pay that bill) something has to be done (Ron Mozer – I don't disagree with you) something has to be done – Joey Pagano – not charging them anything – city park – not charging them anything for that – guideline for non-profit (Ron Mozer – you come to the council with your idea and we will vote on it) (Joseph Dalfonso – they public can come to it – it's open to the public - it's not a birthday party at a pavilion) are the guidelines (Ron Mozer – if you are doing something for the city you will probably get approved to) page 3 – cancel credit card from old community bank – new one from cfs bank – is the percentage the same (Ron Mozer – it's just a debit card) years ago I heard this on a radio – towns and city have a credit or capital fund – capital reserve – do we put money in this (Anthony Orzechowski - we do not have a capital reserve – we do what we can to pay the bills – we would like to build something up – this year we would like to see where we are going – money keeps going every year – we need things done in the city hopefully it can build something – look at the roads) that what I say when to said we have a big cash flow – you said you wanted to buy a police car – what the winter – how much money do we still have for the pandemic (Anthony Orzechowski - I will give a report when it's my turn – I give one every time – I tell you that twice a month) I want to see if I get the same answer – sometimes you talk on both sides (Donald Gregor – add one comment – have someone check – little unsettled they did not fix this water line – water had to be coming out (Ron Mozer - water was below and they must have broken it

when they filled in) (Donald Gregor - very important debris keeps washing down)

6. CORRESPONDENCE

OLD BUSINESS N/A

7. REPORT OF THE SOLICITOR OF THE CITY OF MONESSEN. Joseph Dalfonso – demo hearings – CDBG – 5 properties – 4 Rostraver – 1 Leeds Ave – sent Mike over postings today – EQ Tank – designing and construction – final design – little change – sewage authority owes the tank itself – they rent the property – they feel it's better – will be an ordinance to vacate a street – county landbank – update demo projects – city to get properties ready demo (Donald Gregor – what is the benefit for the sewage authority to own the property) Joseph Dalfonso - I believe it's for lability purposes – once the tank is in – it's not going any where

8. REPORT OF THE CITY TREASURER OF THE CITY OF MONESSEN. Gerald Saksun - garbage revenue fees – current $174,130 – year-to-date $174,130 – 2023 budget $325,587 – delinquent – current $7,204.38 – year-to-date $7,204.38 – 2023 budget $80,780 – penalty and interest Portnoff 2023 budget $2,145 – garbage collected for next year 2024 – current $345 – year-to-date $345 – 2023 budget $1,385 – City Real Estate Taxes Revenue – 2023 budget $1,400,947.79 general - $380,191.09 debt service - $40,677.22 library - $191,907.90 parks – delinquent city taxes – collected by city $8,673.30 – year-to-date $8,673.30 – 2023 budget $5,503 – collected by Westmoreland 2023 budget $167,423 – total year-to-date taxes $8,673.30 – city real estate tax distribution as of January 31, 2023 - $6,034.02 general fund - $1,637.52 debt service - $175.20 library - $826.56 parks – total $8,673.30 – real estate transfer tax – current $5,481.81 – year-to-date $5,481.81 – 2023 budget $89,333 – earned

income tax – current $17,679.76 – year-to-date $17,679.76 – 2023 budget $513,898 – mercantile tax – 2023 budget $22,579 – local services tax – current $2,341.55 – year-to-date $2,341.55 – 2023 budget $53,357 – tax certifications – current $770 – year-to-date $770 – 20223 budget $21,940 – municipal lien letters – current $525 – year-to-date $525 – 2023 budget $14,775 – line usage account – line usage fee – current $88,678.25 – year-to-date $88,678.25 – Motion to approve treasurer report by John Nestor – vote 5 – 0

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

Rosalie Nicksich – General fund Community Bank Checking Account – beginning balance as of November 30, 2022 $300,586.45 – deposits $231,286.07 – expenses $217,707.39 – ending balance as of December 30, 2022 $314,165.18 – outstanding checks $128,197.23 – outstanding deposits $7,956.32 – reconcile balance to bank statement $193,924.22 - General Fund CFS Bank Checking Account – Beginning balance as of December 30, 2022 - $314,165.18 – deposits $706,934.25 – expenses $465,792.22 – ending balance as of January 31, 2023 - $555,307.21 – outstanding checks $41,945.52 – no outstanding deposits – reconcile balance to Bank Statement $513,361.69

10. NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Ron Mozer, Director of Public Affairs

a. **Mayor Mozer offers a Proclamation to be presented by Councilperson Thomas on behalf of the City of Monessen and Council to commemorate Black History Month in the City of Monessen.** Presented by Lois Thomas. Proclamation of Services – Black History Month – Whereas, African Americans have resisted historic and ongoing oppression, in all forms, especially the racial terrorism of lynching, racial programs, and police killings since our arrival upon these shores. Whereas,

African Americans have had to consistently push the United State to live up to its ideals of freedom, liberty, and justice for all.

Whereas, Systematic oppression has sought to negate much of the dreams of our griots, like Langston Hughes and Zora Neale Hurston, and our freedom fighters, like the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr,, Septima Clark, and Fannie Lou Hamer fought to realize.

Whereas, African Americans have sought ways to nurture and protect Black lives, and for autonomy of their physical and intellectual bodies through armed resistance, voluntary emigration, nonviolence, education, literature, sports, media, and legislation/politics. Black led institutions and affiliations have lobbied, litigated, legislated, protested, and achieved success.

Whereas, in an effort to live, and maintain and protect economic success African Americans have organized/planned violent insurrections against those who enslaved them, such as in Haiti, and armed themselves against murderous white mobs as seen in Memphis, TN (1892), Rosewood, Fl (1923), and New Orleans, LA (1900). Additionally, some African Americans thought that the best way to resist was to self-liberate as seen by the actions those who left the plantation system, of Henry Adams and Benjamin “Pap” Singleton, when they led a mass exodus westward in 1879 and Bishop Henry McNeal Turner of the African Methodist Episcopal Church, who organized emigration to Liberia.

Whereas, education, whether in elementary, secondary, or high education institutions have been seen as a way for African Americans and communities to resist the narrative that African

Americans are intellectually inferior. When Carter G. Woodson founded Negro History Week (NHW) in 1926, he saw it as a way to provide a space and resources to critically educate students about their history.

Whereas, by resisting, African Americans have achieved triumphs, success, and progress as seen in the end of chattel slavery, dismantling of Jim and Jan Crow segregation in the south, increased political representation at all levels of government, desegregation of educational institutions, the passage of Civil Rights Act of 1964, the opening of the Smithsonian National Museum of African American History in DC and increased and diverse representation of Black experiences in media. Black resistance strategies have served as a model for every other social movement in the country, thus, the legacy and importance of these actions cannot be understated.

Now therefore, I, Ron Mozer, Mayor of the City of Monessen do hereby deem it an honor and pleasure to be part of the "Black History Month' as part of my theme "Equality and Prosperity for all".

In witness whereof, I do hereby set my hand and cause the seal of my office to be affixed, this 23rd day of February in the year of 2023. Ron Mozer, Mayor, City of Monessen

b. Mayor Mozer on behalf of the Mon Valley NAACP Unit #2274 designates the 53rd day of the year as "WE STAND FOR AMARI" DAY, dedicated to the fight against gun violence in the City of Monessen and our Mon Valley communities. Read by Ron Mozer - Mon Valley NAACP, Unit #2274, 435 Donne Avenue, Monessen, PA 15062-0151 – December 9, 2022 – Beginning in the year of our Lord 2023 as long as The Mon Valley NAACP #2274

deems it so. We will honor the 53rd day of the year as "WE STAND FOR AMARI". A day dedicated to the fight against gun violence in the Monessen and Mon Valley Communities. On that day we will honor all lives lost unnecessarily due to gun violence. We send our condolences and prayers for healing, care and comfort to all families that are affected by these senseless acts of violence. May God continue to comfort and see all the families that are affected through these challenging times. In his service, and service to the Mon Valley Community, Kenneth David Silva, Sr. – President Elect – Mon Valley NAACP Unit #2274 – "Mon Valley on the Move"

c. Resolution by the City of Monessen to provide a Local Match of Funds for State Operating Financial Assistance to the Mid Mon Valley Transit Authority (MMVTA) in the amount of $2, 855.00.for the fiscal year 2023-2024 (July 1, 2023, to June 30th, 2024.) Resolution read by Lois Thomas - seconded by Donald **Gregor** – vote 5 - 0

d. A motion to provide permission to the County of Westmoreland by the City of Monessen to include the following blighted properties owned by the City of Monessen and in need of demolition within the County of Westmoreland's plans for demolition of blighted and unoccupied properties within the City of Monessen: 20-02-06-0-196, 921 McMahon Ave., 20-02-06-0-308, 912 McMahon Ave., 20-02-06-0-403, 628 9th Street, 20-02-06-0-576, 618 Locust Street, and 20-02-07-0-014, 413 4th Street. Motion by Lois Thomas – seconded by John Nestor (Ron Mozer - properties owned by the city of Monessen – I believe this is the last that the city owns) vote 5 - 0

e. Motion to permit Joey Pagano, Club Serenity, and his Rock for Recovery event to utilize the entire City Park area including the

Amphitheatre, Seating, Pavilion and Parking areas on Sunday August 20th from 12pm to 7 pm to promote addiction recovery programs, physical and behavioral options to drugs and addiction, and healthy lifestyle alternatives. Motion by Lois Thomas – seconded by John Nestor – vote 5 – 0

f. A motion to permit Monessen Police Officer Brandon Heinzelman to continue his service as a part time officer on the Monessen Police Force from his current full-time status, and Officer David Doroshkevich to continue service as a full-time officer on the force from his current duties as a part time officer. Motion by Lois Thomas – seconded by John Nestor – vote 5 – 0

g. Motion to approve the hiring of Christina Evans for the position of Clerk within the Office of the Treasurer of the City of Monessen under the salary, benefits and duties and responsibilities outlined in the recently ratified contractual agreement between the City of Monessen and the American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees, AFL-CIO Council 83, Local 769. Motion by Lois Thomas – seconded by John Nestor – vote 5 – 0

h. Motion to cancel the credit card from Community Bank for the City of Monessen and apply for a credit card from the CFS Bank on behalf of the City of Monessen. Motion by Lois Thomas – seconded by John Nestor – (John Nestor – change to debit card instead of credit card) Motion by Ron Mozer to cancel the debit card from Community Bank for the City of Monessen and apply for a debit card from the CFS Bank on behalf of the City of Monessen – seconded by John Nestor – vote 5 – 0

i. Motion to designate and approve Saturday April 22, 2023, as Monessen Community Cleanup Day. Motion by Lois Thomas – seconded by John Nestor – vote 5 - 0

j. Motion for a sign designating an Autistic and Deaf child residing at 945 Athalia Avenue in the City of Monessen. Motion by Lois Thomas – seconded by John Nestor – vote 5 – 0

k. Motion for a Handicapped sign to be placed at 29 Aliquippa Avenue in the City of Monessen due to severe medical conditions of the resident at this address. Motion by Lois Thomas – seconded by John Nestor – vote 5 - 0

l. Motion to authorize a refund of $65.00 for a requested and paid for occupancy inspection and report at 410 Longfellow Street, Vandergrift, PA which was never performed for the resident due to the resident leaving the Monessen area. Motion by Lois Thomas – seconded by John Nestor (Donald Gregor -what address) (Michael Korposh - I will get that for your) vote 5 - 0

m. Motion to exonerate City of Monessen taxes in the amount of $2,392.05 based upon the review and approval of the Monessen Tax Exoneration Board, for Property 20-02-07-0-758 known as 110 Reed Avenue. Motion by Lois Thomas – seconded by John Nestor – vote 5 - 0

n. Mayor's Status Report for weeks of February 9th to February 23rd, 2023. Ron Mozer – one of the things I done in private business I have provided a status report periodically – I want to get back to this – recap highlight last year - took office in January – requiring money from line usage to make payroll – kick off CDBG project – in February 500 Donner becomes problem – brick on street – applied to money to use of demo – March bids went out

for that – obtained a PNC interim loan for $15 million – in April we saw 500 Donner come down – paid off line usage money we borrowed from January – took a $2,3 million Penn Vest phase 4 project loan – May 2022 the commissioners finally agreed to commit to funding of demo of properties – June we had our Juneteenth remembrance – boar launch celebration – deal with gas company to repave 6th street – introduce new zoning plan – what an accomplishment – made a trip to Pittsburgh – visit CMU – very productive meeting – July – held Mayor's celebrate fireworks – will do that again – august – implement purchase order system – go through process with organized system – September closed boat launch – safety problem – old Mon Valley Independent building collapse – enter into be with them to get rid of 544 Donner – we will complete ours first – October – identify properties for demo – interesting we get a large number of Hispanic visiting for cheap housing – great thought – does not always work – make changes to the markings on Montraver & 3rd Street – ARP money was used to subsidize payroll – continue that throughout the year – the old post office was demolished – the 5th street hotel was demolished – 6 blighted houses demolished – had Christmas parade – success – January – obtain TAN note for $500,000

Councilman Anthony Orzechowski, Director of Accounts and Finance

a. Motion to pay the following invoices from the General Fund in the amount of $66,897.15. All invoices are attached to this Agenda as Attachment "A". Motion by Anthony Orzechowski – seconded by John Nestor – vote 5 - 0

b. Motion to pay the following invoices from the Recreational Account in the amount of $79.99. All invoices are attached to this Agenda as Attachment "B." Motion by Anthony Orzechowski – seconded by John Nestor – vote 5 - 0

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". Motion by Anthony Orzechowski – seconded by John Nestor – vote 5 - 0

d. Motion to pay the following invoices from the Line Usage Fund in the amount of $4,100.00 All invoices are attached to this Agenda as "Attachment "D". Motion by Anthony Orzechowski – seconded by John Nestor – vote 5 - 0

e. Motion to pay the following invoices from the Grant Fund in the amount of $93.45. All invoices are attached to this Agenda as "Attachment "E". Motion by Anthony Orzechowski – seconded by John Nestor – vote 5 - 0

f. Motion to authorize payment for retiree health insurance from the General Account in the amount of $8,471.96 for February 2023. Motion by Anthony Orzechowski – seconded by John Nestor – vote 5 - 0

g. Motion to approve the transfer of $65,536.63 from the General Fund to the Payroll Account to cover the payroll expenses. Motion by Anthony Orzechowski – seconded by John Nestor – vote 5 - 0

Account balances – general $421,724.78 – grant $102,358.80 – payroll $13,965.33 – healthcare $5,530.59 – American rescue $271,195.55 – refuse $365,639.48 – fire escrow $49,367.48 – debt service $503,926.08 – park $7,984.28 – recreation $2,652.86 – line usage $611,416.35 – liquid fuels $275.07

Councilman Lois Thomas Director of Streets and Public Improvements

Streets and Public Improvement Report for month ending January 31st, 2023. Lois Thomas - emptied garbage downtown – answered 50 PA one calls – cold patched several roads – answered complaints – salted the roads when need -lunch Marvin and WEC. Inc. met at 9th Street park – water hydrant – water fountain – start process in April – another portion of the wall

Library report – people counter of 242 people for the month of January – Westmoreland is having a chess tournament on Saturday March 25th – two groups k- 4 and 5 – 8

Councilman John Nestor, Director of Public Safety

Police and Public Safety Report for month ending January 31st, 2023. John Nestor – police department receipts for the month of January 2023 – court receipts from district justice office – vehicle code fines collected $639.54 – crimes code fines collected $294.18 – code enforcement collected $124.50 – total receipts from district justice office $1,058.22 – total receipts collected for December 2022 $1,058.22 – total citations for police 103 – year-to-date 103 – Code activity report for January 2023 – habitation permit 17 – correction letters 13 – animal complaints 7 – misc. complaints 9 – health inspections 1 – building permits 3 – office meetings with residents 6 – water shut off 8 – citations issued 4 –

Monessen Fire Chief Report Station 81 – January 2023 – automatic fire alarm 8 – smoke scare 1 – residential flooding 2 – wires down 1 – natural gas leak 2 – vehicle accident 2 – EMS assist 3 – landing zone 1 – carbon monoxide 3 – vehicle fire 1 – gas leak North Belle Vernon 2 – automatic fire alarm Charleroi 3 – structure fire Charleroi 4 – total calls 34 – total responding 345 – average responding per call 10.4 – total man hours 340 – EMS – meeting with Mon Valley and Rostraver – gave some statistics on the amount of call and what they consisted of – Alpha 8 – Charlie 9 – Delta 10 – Echo 9 (Ron Mozer – from 911 dispatch I received a detail of calls for the 4th quarter of 2022 – Mon Valley EMS serviced 60% of calls – Rostraver 20% and 20% by someone else – January numbers were tremendous Mon Valley EMS 80% - Rostraver 20% - just recently they are up to 87% - when you call 911 – they find out what's wrong – they do triage over the phone – Alpha being minor – Echo is a big deal – above Charlie is a big deal - social media gets a hold of things – last summer up at the walking track a gentlemen fell and scrapped his leg and call for an ambulance – they rated the call as an Alpha – Mon Valley EMS was dispatched – while in route they received another call rated Charlie – they were diverted – 911 called Rostraver – the same thing happens to them when they were in route – 911 called Monongahela – they are 20 minutes away – ambulance arrived 45 minutes after he called – people were walking by while he was sitting there waiting on the ambulance – everyone's comment was if I was having a heart attack I would have been dead – you know social media – this ran like a wild fire in town – they did not understand how calls are handled – I believe Mon Valley EMS is doing an excellent job – Rostraver EMS I have nothing against but it would cost the city dearly – we would need to provide a place

for the ambulance to park, indoors because of the medicine – quarters for drivers – they want a tiered stipend starting at $6 per person in Monessen up to $10 per person – they are a viable service – cost more for us – Mon Valley is doing a good job – Rostraver can respond in a few minutes) (Ernest Telegraphis – about the EMS) (Ron Mozer - can you please wait unit public comments for your remarks) I think we should keep watching the numbers (Lois Thomas – most people think first come first serve – that was good that you explained how it is handled)

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

Parks and Public Property Report for the month ending January 31st, 2023. Donald Gregor – cleaned the Civic Center – picked up litter – cut up trees that fallen in the windstorm – helped the streets department as needed

Motion to approve the donation of a Memorial Bench to be installed near the handicapped entrance of the Amphitheatre by Joseph's Nursery and Garden Center in honor of Irene and Earl Shorraw. Motion by Donald Gregor – seconded by John Nestor – (Ron Mozer - only comment – city start restricting park benches – city has to maintain them) vote 5 – 0

Discussion and Motion for the approval of a Batting cage unit at Shawnee Park in the City of Monessen. Exhibit "1" includes the (3) bids received on the project for discussion and approval by a Motion of Council. I just want to discuss at this time – looking at quality of different option – vary – have one 12 x 14 x 72 – frame cost $7,000 – net $750 – shipping $2,850 for a total $10,598 – more substantial – others spindly – I would like to look at a couple more options – lighter frame is about $2,500 – would like one

more like the one at Columbus Park – I need more time – need to get better information – I will have for next meeting – I received a phone call from Anthony Orzechowski on Saturday about someone cutting trees at the cemetery – that was not correct – Hepple – the city crew cut the trees down on Friday – it was wrong for them to run their mouth – they did not have all their facts correct - the trees were cut down on Friday – there were 10 individual people – I discussed this with Mike – they were cutting up good fire wood – this has been city practice – if that's a problem, do they need a waiver, show of insurance – 2 did have insurance – people taking pictures and phone calls – need to have all the facts – they saved the city $1,000s of dollars – 2 had insurance – city crew was covered under the city insurance (Ron Mozer – I don't disagree – we may want to consider a resolution – provide an update – courtesy to notify council) who gave them the ok to cut the trees down – the City Administrator – they were just following orders – no problem (Ron Mozer – we have taken down a lot of trees – we have a lot of stumps – the council will have to address a stump grinder) there is money in my budget for that (Anthony Orzechowski – not now) taxes will be coming in – don't pick on people cutting logs at city park – clean up what is left – should they sign a waiver (Joseph Dalfonso – something we need to look into – liability release – proof of insurance) no projects now – before any further projects we need to run through meeting (Delmar Hepple – I don't like emails at 1:30 in the morning – we are adults and professionals – because 1 councilman screams – work was being handed out – we are adults not kids – you ask for help then you pick on when they do help (Anthony Orzechowski – lets get the facts straight – I received a phone call from a resident) (Ron Mozer – tone down) (Anthony

Orzechowski – let's get this shit straight – I called Don – as the person in charge of parks, I thought he should know) (Donald Gregor – you said they were cutting down trees – when I got there they have already been cut down – I appreciate the call – I believe we were aware of them to come down – council talked about it – there was no time line to cut the trees down) (Delmar Hepple – I don't appreciate a 1:30 am email) (Ron Mozer – I was concerned about what was going on – I apologize to you – we took care of it) (Delmar Hepple – I want to be able to work with you – we are here to help) (Michael Korposh – my concern was the liability – insurance issue – I didn't know it was done) (Joseph Dalfonso – was this call done by the Shade Tree – all dead trees – we need to get update from them) (Ron Mozer – all boards need to report to the council) (Donald Gregor – are we going to just let people cut up trees or should we have a wavier – publish that you need to stop at city hall to sign waiver) (Joseph Dalfonso – a waiver at the least) (Ron Mozer – provide copy of minutes from every board to the City Administrator)

11. OPEN FLOOR FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON ANY ITEM.

Ernest Telegraphis – back to the EMS Monessen – you said responses increased – are they solvent (Ron Mozer – I met with the Board of Directors they are able to stay in business) are they going to fill the position they lost (Ron Mozer – we take the results – as long as they are responding – we will stick with them) after the damage is done – we had 45 properties that the school board had to exonerate – how may have been done (Ron Mozer – all that have completed the project) how many came thru (Ron Mozer – quit interrupting me – let me finish – not one that was sent through did not be approved) how many (Ron Mozer – 5 –

the other did not do anything to the house) why (Ron Mozer – I did not ask them – you go ask them) you are not providing details

Linda Lacey – two things - #1 – when the lady from the nail salon was talking – remember the sink hole on McMann – 2018 – we paid Morgan to remove debris – they never removed it – they crushed it with the bull dozer and buried it in the ground – they were to fix the sidewalk – the backhoe crushed it – on the corner of 10th and McMann – behind the church on Knox – alley part – I was worried when you talked about people cutting down trees – removing the dead trees is ok – will someone take care of the ones on 3rd Street to Grande – why can't they do that (Ron Mozer – cut trees on city property – they need to sign a waiver) can we use the ARP money to repair the sidewalk (Ron Mozer – I think that should be line usage) (Joseph Dalfonso – work is going to be done as part of the sewage project with USDA – project will go further up the hill) I will keep watching this

Pino Cianflone – Landbank – building being torn down on 4th and 5th street – who owns them (Ron Mozer – Guy Simpson still owns the property where the old newspaper was) rest of the building (Ron Mozer – they own the 5th street hotel – 544 Donner is owned by the city – 500 Donner is owned by the city and lot next to that is the redevelopment building – Landbank will likely give the land back to the city – they don't want to own land) stick with landbank (Ron Mozer – Landbank sent three people yesterday to look at things – look at how they can make it productive) they have the authority to sell it or give it (Ron Mozer – yes) how are we coming along with the cars and junk along the streets (Ron Mozer – chief can you help) (David Yuhasz – I have a folder full of reports – I would say 25 to 30 roughly – I will have to check my folder on abandoned vehicles) (Ron Mozer – is there a way we can

keep track of the reported vehicles) I travel through the city – my little Fiat – a lot of places – I guess if you are a privileged person you get away with murder (Ron Mozer – I hope not) I think it is a funny as hell – why it happens to me – parked wrong way on Montraver – I wish I was a little quicker – they had the equipment from the old newspaper building – they were going the wrong way – the truck and the equipment – they came the wrong way – no flag – I got one bad eye – they need to be told to follow the law – if I knew I would have let them hit my Fiat – talking about trees – you can cut a tree where ever you want – at the dock – they cut a tree so their boat would not get scratched – I saw it at the end of summer (Ron Mozer – how can we fix the problem) privileged in Monessen you can do whatever – this coming month – March – meeting in this building with the trash – how many of you will show up – I know the girls notified you - a whole bunch of phone calls – will only take 3 bags – anything over that will have to get another tag – no one but Mike was on the phone at the last meeting and a guy from Belle Vernon) (Linda Lacey – did you just raise the garbage - you are going to charge us more if we had more bags) (Ron Mozer – they are an authority – we have nothing to do with that – let me talk for a second - before I was mayor – we had three bid on the trash in Monessen – Waste Management – been servicing us of year $1 million higher than anyone else – County Hauling – is $1 million less – the authority went with them) one guy should be there so you can tell everyone else) (Ron Mozer – we have you on the board to tell us) we still have 6 or 7 people from Monessen attend the meeting (Linda Lacey – we are trying to get people here) I am not a privileged person – you made an agenda you can only speak on that agenda – you double talk – you let her talk about something else (Ron Mozer – she made the

request in advance) (Michael Korposh – we accommodated a citizen that could not make it later) it took you 9 months to sign the contract and you did not want to sign it (Linda Lacey – you have increased our fee and now you want to add more if we have too many bags) (Joseph Dalfonso – you are talking to the wrong board) (Ron Mozer – it's not us) (Linda Lacey – I will definitely be at that meeting) the refuse authority does not sign the contract (Joseph Dalfonso – the refuse authority contracted with County Hauling – they have a contract) the city of Monessen does not have to sign on that contract (Joseph Dalfonso - took time because they had to put the amount we were to pay to the authority) (Donald Gregor – we were waiting for price in the contract) (Joseph Dalfonso – I was waiting on contract with the price on it) the next meeting for the refuse authority is March 5th at 6pm – we send a email (Ron Mozer – I receive and email)

12. ADJOURNMENT – Motion to adjourn meeting by John Nestor at 8:21 pm - vote 5 - 0