

COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA
CITY OF MONESSEN
CITY OF MONESSEN COUNCIL CHAMBERS
FEBRUARY 22, 2024
6:30PM

- 1. ROLL CALL OF ALL MEMBERS PRESENT.**
- 2. OPENING PRAYER OFFERED BY PASTOR JOHN CUSTER AND EVANGELIST CHRIS SHEPPICK, ORCHARD CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP AND THE MONESSEN COMMUNITY OF PASTORS.**
- 3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.**
- 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS SESSION OF FEBRUARY 8, 2024.**
- 5. PUBLIC COMMENT DIRECTED TO MAYOR MOZER 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.**
- 9. REPORT OF THE CITY CONTROLLER OF THE CITY OF MONESSEN.**

10. NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Ron Mozer, Director of Public Affairs

- a. Motion to offer Full Employment to Ryan Bartolomew as a Police Officer in the City of Monessen effective upon his start of shift duties and responsibilities within the Department.
- b. Motion to recognize the promotion of Officer Chris Gray, Officer Brian Mickens and Officer James Stoken to the rank of Sergeant within the City of Monessen Police Department effective immediately.

SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR THE SWEARING IN OF OFFICER RYAN BARTOLOMEW AS A NEW POLICE OFFICER WITHIN THE CITY OF MONESSEN, AND THE PROMOTION OF OFFICER CHRIS GRAY, OFFICER BRIAN MICKENS, AND OFFICER JAMES STOKEN TO THE RANK OF SERGEANT WITHIN THE POLICE FORCE OF THE CITY OF MONESSEN BY DISTRICT JUSTICE WAYNE VLASIC.

SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS AND PROCLAMATION BY MAYOR MOZER TO CELEBRATE THE 40 YEAR CAREER AND RETIREMENT OF STEVE BECK WITH THE CITY OF MONESSEN, AND TO WISH HIM GOOD LUCK, GOOD HEALTH, AND A LONG AND WELL-DESERVED RETIREMENT WITH FAMILY AND FRIENDS.

- c. Mayor Mozer's Update of Issues within the City of Monessen from February 8, 2024, to February 22, 2024.
- d. Motion to permit advertising for the procurement of installation of necessary and appropriate cameras and related

equipment within the City of Monessen to assist in law enforcement and public safety activities within the City.

e. Motion to accept the resignation of Ernest Telegraphis from the Library Board of the City of Monessen to permit him to serve on his recently appointed position on the Planning Commission of the City of Monessen.

f. Motion to correct and amend the term of office of the previously approved nomination of Tom Salak as a member of the Mon Valley Sewage Authority from a 4-year term to the statutorily required 5-year term of office.

g. Motion to approve the process of initiating negotiations and the submittal of a proposal to partner with the Pittsburgh Pirates Charities to procure and install a batting cage at the Shawnee Park Baseball and Softball fields contingent on the participation of an appropriate and cost-effective funding grant by the Pirate Charities for the project.

h. Motion to approve a Resolution # by the City of Monessen certifying the provision of a Local Match for State operating Financial Assistance in the amount of \$2,998.00 for the Mid Mon Valley Transit Authority (MMVTA). For fiscal year 2024-2025, July 1, 2024, to June 30th, 2025. Attached to this Agenda as "Exhibit1".

i. Motion to waive the \$300.00 rental fee for the Monessen Civic Center to defray costs for an event to be held on May 18th, 2024, by the Union Baptist Church. The \$50.00 Kitchen Cleaning fee deposit will still apply to the event. Attached as "Exhibit "2".

j. Motion for second reading of an Ordinance No. 1268, of the City of Monessen, County of Westmoreland, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, amending Chapter 340 Streets and Sidewalks, by repealing certain provisions of Article I Openings and Excavations related to Deposits and Bonds and Resurfacing Requirements.

k. Motion to Exonerate taxes for 207 Lenawee Avenue as recommended by the City of Monessen Tax Forgiveness Board as the property is in compliance with the Tax Forgiveness Program.

Councilman Anthony Orzechowski, Director of Accounts and Finance

a. Motion to pay the following invoices from the General Fund in the amount of \$113,233.73. 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 \$190.09. 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 \$19,384.00. All invoices are attached to this Agenda as "Attachment "C".

d. Motion to pay the following invoices from the Line Usage account in the amount of \$1,128.59. All invoices are attached to this Agenda as "Attachment "D".

e. Motion to pay the following invoice from the Grant Fund in the amount of \$865.36. All invoices are attached to this Agenda as "Attachment "E".

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f. Motion to approve the transfer of \$71,529.05 from the General Fund to the Payroll Account to cover the payroll expenses.

g. Motion to pay Retired Worker Health Care Benefits for February 2024 in the amount of \$10, 817.13.

Councilperson Lois Thomas Director of Streets and Public Improvements

Streets and Public Improvement Report for month ending January 31st, 2023.

Councilman John Nestor, Director of Public Safety

Police and Public Safety Report for month ending January 31st, 2023.

Councilperson Karen Cosner, Director of Parks, and Public Property

Parks and Public Property Report for the month ending January 31st, 2023.

11. OPEN THE FLOOR FOR PUBLIC COMMENT DIRECTED TO THE MAYOR ON ANY ITEM RELATING TO THE BUSINESS, ORDINANCES, STATUTES, RESOLUTIONS OR DAILY WORK PRODUCT AND ATTENTION OF THE CITY OF MONESSEN.

12. ADJOURNMENT