

COUNCIL MEETING WORK SESSION AGENDA

CITY OF MONESSEN

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APRIL 10, 2025

6:30 PM

- 1. ROLL CALL OF ALL MEMBERS PRESENT.**
- 2. OPENING PRAYER OFFERED BY REV. JOHN CUSTER, PASTOR OF THE ORCHARD CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP CHURCH OF MONESSEN, PA.**
- 3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.**
- 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS SESSION OF MARCH 27, 2025.**
- 5. REPORT OF THE CITY TREASURER OF THE CITY OF MONESSEN.**
- 6. PUBLIC COMMENT DIRECTED TO MAYOR MOZER ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY.**

OLD BUSINESS N/A

7. Mayor's Discussion Items

- a. Comments made by Ron Mozer, Mayor.
- b. Discussion with Chief Yuhasz and Detective Sergeant Zachary Beam, of the Lower Burrel Police Department on the invitation of the Westmoreland County SWAT Team for the City of Monessen Police

Department to participate and join their expanded County SWAT team operations and efforts.

c. Discussion and Agreement to permit the Mon Valley Paws, Paws in the Park and Vendor Show, September 6th, 2025 from 10 am. to 2 pm. In City Park and the Walking Track.

d. Discussion and presentation by Pastor Holmes regarding a program partially funded through Mellon designed to inspire and give guidance to our high school students through providing examples of future career paths available to them. This effort will involve use of City Park and Madison Park on certain days.

e. Discussion on 20-02-06-0723 (936 Grant Avenue) and 20-02-06-0-724 (944 Grant Avenue) and their transfer to the Monessen RDA for the express purpose of returning them to the tax roll. They have a receptive buyer ready for the property.

f. Discussion on the known issues that have been identified on our roads in the City and our efforts to address them. Winter has been especially hard on the roads this year and priority will be assigned to addressing the roads as required.

g. Discussion of Easter related activities and the request by the Christian Center Church to use the Civic Center.

h. Update on the PennVest Phase 4 project. DEP and Westmoreland Conservation have been notified that all requirements necessary to facilitate closing are awaiting their final approval. Once review by these environmental agencies is completed, PennVest will close out the interim loan by transferring balance to a long-term loan paid with a set

interest rate of 1.00% for 20 years financed through our Debt Service Fund.

i. Discussion of work authorized on Reed Street to complete restoration work from upper 9th to the crest of the hill where PennVest Phase 4 work was performed in a residential neighborhood and the participation of Reynolds Brothers, Inc.

j. Discussion and approval of Easter Egg Hunt in City Park utilizing a pavilion and areas surrounding the pavilion on April 12th from 10 am to 4 pm.

8. Councilman Anthony Orzechowski, Director of Accounts and Finance

a. Motion to pay the following invoices from the General Fund in the amount of \$19,019.58 All invoices are attached to this Agenda as Attachment "A".

b. Motion to pay the following invoices from the Parks Fund account in the amount of \$1,444.32. All invoices are attached to this Agenda as Attachment "B."

c. Motion to pay the following invoices from the Line Usage Fund in the amount of \$3,251.56. All invoices are attached to this Agenda as "Attachment "C".

d. Motion to pay the following invoices from the Grant Fund in the amount of \$600.00. All invoices are attached to this Agenda as "Attachment "D".

e. Motion to approve the transfer of \$68,389.23 from the General Fund to the Payroll Account for payroll expenses. To be offered and approved.

f. Motion to approve Payment Resolution No. 30 and Certificate in the amount of \$99,527.88 for Phase 3 work performed from November 27, 2024, through February 3, 2025, for Sewer Rehabilitation Project Phase 3, Certificate 30 from March 1st 2025 through March 28th, 2025, as well as work covered under Amendment, 8, performed from 10/28/2024 to 03/28/2025.

g. Motion to approve Payment Requisition No. 30 and Certificate of the final invoice in the amount of \$17,612.09 for final Phase 3 work performed from 05/14/2024 to 03/25/2025 by MSRP, Inc. and an invoice from Insight Pipe Contracting, LLC for work performed from 09/01/2024 to 03/31/2025 in the amount of \$22,916.32 for Phase 3 work performed on the USDA project.

h. Discussion of Councilman Orzechowski's Resolution on Spending and Allocation of funds within the Government of the City of Monessen.

9. Councilperson Lois Thomas Director of Streets and Public Improvements

a. Items for Discussion and Report to the City of Monessen

10. Councilman John Nestor, Director of Public Safety

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11. Councilperson Karen Cosner, Director of Parks, and Public Property

- a. Items for Discussion and Report to the City of Monessen

12. ADJOURNMENT