COUNCIL MEETING WORK SESSION AGENDA

CITY OF MONESSEN

CITY OF MONESSEN COUNCIL CHAMBERS

AUGUST 14, 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 SESSIONS OF JULY 10TH AND JULY 24TH, 2025.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT DIRECTED TO MAYOR MOZER ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY.

OLD BUSINESS N/A

6. Mayor's Discussion Items

a. Comments made by Ron Mozer, Mayor.

b. Discussion of Upcoming meetings with the Mon Valley EMS Services within the City of Monessen and related EMS and 911 Emergency Services issues within the City.

c. Discussion of the Contract about Dennis Martinak and the management of the Downtown Development Grant application and contractual services and implementation.

e. Discussion and Approval of Advertising at the request of Chief Yuhasz for the Administration of Civil Service Testing within the City of Monessen.

f. Discussion of Animal Control and Protection Services within the City of Monessen.

g. Discussion and approval to complete two DCED Single Application submissions to total $150,000 for the purchase of two new Police vehicles for the City of Monessen under the Pennsylvania DCED Enterprise Grant System.

h. Discussion on upcoming LSA Grant Application, County and Local Share through Westmoreland County, for submission within the July 1st through September 1st application period.

i. Discussion of CDBG meeting held on Wednesday August 13th at 5:30 pm at City Hall.

j Discussion of the utilization of participants from the Life's Work of Western Pennsylvania Community Services to utilize youth from their facilities to assist the Shade Tree Commission in the volunteer service of watering plants in the Madison Park and Downtown areas of the City with an appropriate waiver provided by the City of Monessen and its Solicitor to utilize this help and assistance within the City of Monessen.

k. Discussion to ratify and adopt a concept of a COG from meetings emanating from the Mon Valley Planning District Meetings of local communities over the last few months.

l. Discussion of upcoming Police Pension Board meetings.

m. Discussion of the City Clerk vacancy in the City of Monessen and filling a position in the Code Enforcement office over the next few weeks.

n. Discussion about appointing Lloyd Aldrich as interim Code Enforcement Officer within the City of Monessen.

8. Councilman Anthony Orzechowski, Director of Accounts and Finance

a. Motion to pay the following invoices from the General Fund in the amount of $38,292.89. 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 $2,874.05. All invoices are attached to this Agenda as Attachment "B."

c. Motion to pay the following invoices from Line the Line Usage Fund in the amount of $52,380.59. 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 $11,250.28. All invoices are attached to this Agenda as "Attachment "D".

e. Motion to pay the following invoices from the Liquid Fuels Fund in the amount of $14,233.70. All invoices are attached to this Agenda as “Attachment “E.”

f. Motion to pay the following invoices from the Recreation fund in the amount of $988.25. All invoices are attached to this Agenda as “Attachment “F”.

g. Motion to approve the transfer of $70,927.68 from the General Fund to the Payroll Account for payroll expenses for the July 31st payroll.

h. Motion to approve the transfer of $76,877.29 from the General Fund to the Payroll Account for payroll expenses for the August 14, 2025 payroll.

h. Motion to approve Sewer Rehabilitation Project Phase 3, Payment Requisition and Certificate No. 34 in the amount of $295,114.86 for Phase 3 work performed by W.E.C. Engineers, Inc from June 28th, 2025 through August 1, 2025, 2025 in the amount of $36,946.60, and an invoice from Insight Pipe Contracting, LLC for work performed from June 1st, 2025 to July 23rd , 2025 in the amount of $258,168.26.

i. Motion to approve Resolution No. 8 of 2025, A Resolution of the Council of the City of Monessen, County of Westmoreland, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, approving and authorizing the modification of the FY 2024 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Application.

j. Discussion to approve Fire Escrow payments for 425 Reed Avenue, with payments made to the Vendor, All Dry Services, of

Rostraver Fay West, $8, 198.67, and the Owner of the Property, Shelly Illig, $7,207.31.

k. Motion to purchase Kubota Tractor, Model B2601HSD-1 4WD,and 60" Deck from Murphy Family, Inc. for the price of $19,200.00.

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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b. Discussion of Road Safety and related issues between Leeds Avenue and Grant Avenue.

c. Discussion of Public Parking to support local businesses impacted by the closure of the downtown Parking Garage.

d. Discussion of a Loading Zone for safety near the Third Street Intersection, to provide a safe location for couriers to drop off and pick up packages for Mon Valley Phone Repair and other nearby businesses.

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

a. Discussion of the repair of a shower facility at the Number 2 Fire Department in the City of Monessen for the utilization of the Firefighters.

b. Discussion of fundraising ideas and plans of the Nehemiah CDC of Monessen to assist the Civic Center of the City of Monessen with various upgrade projects and efforts over the next few months, and to define the specifics of these projects.

13. ADJOURNMENT