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SPEAKERS

Mayor Ron Mozer, Speaker 2, Councilman Orzechowski, Councilman John Nestor, Earnie Telegraphis, Joseph Dalfonso, All, Chief Dave Yuhasz, Councilwoman Karen Cosner, Speaker 1, Mike Korposh

Mayor Ron Mozer 00:07
It's now 630 I'm going to call this city council work session to order. Could I have a roll call please?

Mike Korposh 00:16
Council person, Cosner, here, Councilman Nestor, present. Councilperson, Thomas, Council Member Orzechowski, Mayor Mozer Present mayor, we note four. President, one absent. We note a quorum.

Mayor Ron Mozer 00:33
Our heavenly Father. Bless this city. Keep a good eye on it. Give the council the wisdom to act compassionately and wisely give the citizens the voice to speak and guide us along our way. All these things. I ask name of Jesus, Amen.

All 00:50
I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible with liberty and justice for all you.

Mayor Ron Mozer 01:00
I think everybody has some minutes from February the 22nd 27th of 2025, if somebody could make a motion, we'll get those behind us

Councilman Orzechowski 01:21
Motion to approve the minutes of the previous session. February 27 2025

Mayor Ron Mozer 01:26
Is there a second? Second? Any questions? Call the roll.

Mike Korposh 01:30

Council person Cosner, yes. Council Nestor aye. Council member Orzechowski, yes. Mayor Mozer, yes.

Mayor Ron Mozer 01:36
At this time I'd like to open the floor for public comment, directed to myself on agenda, items only.

01:48
Hello,

Earnie Telegraphis 01:51
Ernest Telegraphus, 29 Rex, the RVE, page 2h complete two grant applications. What are those two grant applications? Mayor

Mayor Ron Mozer 02:08
Didn't say there was two. They made an offer to complete two grant applications.

Earnie Telegraphis 02:13
Oh, so it's offer. We're being tricky with words. You offer. I thought they were working on completing two grants. What were those two offers? Anyway? What was that about?

Mayor Ron Mozer 02:24
I'll explain that when we get to that.

Earnie Telegraphis 02:27
Okay, then page three, we got a whole page of all these numbers, and Tony scares me when I see 1000s and 1000s of dollars. So do we have enough money? What is the total of this that you've given away today, Tony, I'm sorry you're giving away 1000s of dollars. So what total do you have in the bank to cover this?

Councilman Orzechowski 02:54
I'm not giving away anything. I'm paying bills.

Earnie Telegraphis 02:57
Okay, well right now, last month you told us you'd have $500 in the bank. No, I didn't say five. She said, you said 500 play the tape. I got it on tape.

Mayor Ron Mozer 03:10
He also said that that meeting moved 75,000 from from the tan note. And we also had money coming from what's going on.

Earnie Telegraphis 03:17
But I want to know. Tony could say that.

Councilman Orzechowski 03:22

I don't know. I'm the one that made the motions

Earnie Telegraphis 03:25
to stop dead here. But anyway, how much money do we have the 75,000 that is that all gone now, when you pay all this out, because I I'm adding this up, 75,000 doesn't even cover half of this page,

Mayor Ron Mozer 03:40
not all coming out of the same account, either.

Earnie Telegraphis 03:45
So for another 75 from the tandem,

Councilman Orzechowski 03:50
I have a report, I'll give it.

Earnie Telegraphis 03:51
Then you're going to give it a detailed report. Okay, then you're going to tell us at the end of the report, how much is left in the bank.

Councilman Orzechowski 03:58
Do I do that every meeting?

Earnie Telegraphis 04:00
I don't know, because

Councilman Orzechowski 04:01
if you don't know, then, then why are you asking me the question? That's why I asked so you can't remember what you what I would told you, so I don't know what's a redundancy in telling you every time I'm not going to do it at all. Then if you're not going to remember what I told you to do it.

Earnie Telegraphis 04:14
once it be on the tape and I can look at it, I'll play it back over and over without hearing you complaining.

Councilman Orzechowski 04:20
It's no fun in that.

Earnie Telegraphis 04:21
All right, all right. Thanks.

Mayor Ron Mozer 04:25
Any other, anybody else have comments on agenda items only Loris isn't here to read my motions. Well, there is not motions. There's discussion items I'm going to I don't have any prepared comments to make, so we'll skip a and keep on moving. So we have two certisite agreements, one for 575, one for

557 Donner, which is a building across the way that belongs to the city. So. Both of those have the same language in the in the agreement. So I'm going to kind of mix them together to one. But what it basically boils down to is that certisite, Let's restate this Pennsylvania as I understand it, requires that commercial buildings have their fire alarms tested every two years. When they're initially installed, this every year, but after the first time, it goes to two years. That is what this is. It's interesting that these are one year agreements. So they'll do it one time, they'll do nothing for a year, and then they'll come back and we'll have to do another agreement the next time they show up in two years from now. So that's what that's really what those two two items are about. The talks about the code enforcement officer. I did send a job description slash advertisement around everybody, and it's really last week was a tough week. We, we tell our code officer, rise to heaven. But the long and short of it is, we need to continue moving on for the time being. And there's lots of things happening in real time every day. Is something going on. We have k2 engineering that's backing us up, and they can back us up until we get a code enforcement officer in place. But I did prepare a a job description and advertisement. If anybody has any comments about it, I'm all ears. Otherwise, I'd like to start. I'll put in the requisition.

Councilman John Nestor 06:39
Iwould just add that it'd be nice to if they had the qualifications, or been able to maybe try to get the, what is it the UCC

Mayor Ron Mozer 06:49
Building Code official, yeah, and that's what the description advocates, okay?

Councilman John Nestor 06:55
Because then that would help us off a lot too, where we can just have k2 as an emergency when it comes to commercial properties and new buildings, but that's all I had to first off, we gotta find

Mayor Ron Mozer 07:09
Somebody that's qualified, that's qualified. Marvin's going to be a very tough person to, yeah, to replace. He was compassionate. He was qualified. That's that's a tough, tough role to follow, all right. So I'm going to call on the chief a little bit on this one, the security system at the police station still has some issues that need to be resolved. Is that correct? Once you come up here and tell use the mic so it gets on the minutes and everything else. So let me. Let me, let me just start by saying as to the best of my knowledge, they came and they fixed the fire alarm at the police station.

Chief Dave Yuhasz 08:07
the FireStation fire alarm is up and running. Okay, no issues yet. We've got installed, I believe on a third. They started on a third. They finished on fourth. Come over here. Oh, okay. They started on the third, finished on the fourth. Okay. Actually, we got notified. Apparently, our internet went down for five minutes today. Down to police station, it was set an alarms off without call from Guardian. Your system's down, so I go back there, reset the router, and it just everything over time booted up normally. I don't know what the hiccup was. Yeah, I don't either. I don't know the phones were down for that brief time. I don't know what happened. I reset the router. Here we are.

Mayor Ron Mozer 08:54

Okay good, so what we really still have issues with would be the side entry door,

Chief Dave Yuhasz 09:03
The side entry door, the evidence room and the evidence room, what I would like to see is a new access, whatever they're called, a keypad FOB thing, where you can have more control over who has access. But not only say if I was suspended for 30 days, I can restrict my access to the station for 30 days. Go on a computer, type in a debt. There you go. Also to keep a log of like the evidence room, for an example. Yeah, the evidence like, currently I'm the only one to have access to the evidence room. An officer is going to have access to the evidence room. It's just makes it more secure to if anything would happen. Okay? Could have a log. That's a want. The the system we have now is very outdated. To say that, you know, I haven't, I gotta see George. I haven't seen him yet. About talking about reprogramming the keypad that's out there, but getting that re there's guys that retired 10 years ago, their code still worked. I moved out, so just for more security, I'm not saying anything, but I'd rather be ahead of it, then behind it.

Mayor Ron Mozer 10:42
So it would be my suggestion that we probably get a hold of George, George and get him to reprogram the one we got right now. Yeah, clean that up.

Chief Dave Yuhasz 10:52
Clean that up, and possibly get and then again, different eras came in, just even in that building, maybe look to see how much it would be changed the physical keys. Okay, that's just to add a little bit extra security to it. You know, we've had a lot of people come through our doors as officers over the past 10 to 15, years, so that just, I don't know who, who may have a key, who may not. You know, we don't even hand out keys anymore, because we don't even have any without going to get made.

Mayor Ron Mozer 11:28
Okay, very good. It's all really had. Okay. Thank you.

Councilman John Nestor 11:37
Thank you, Chief,

Mayor Ron Mozer 11:47
I believe Mike addressed this next one, the upcoming scheduling of food and beverage inspections within the city, which is something that Marvin was able to do. We have, well, every business in town that serves food and beverage has an inspection sticker that Marvin does. They expire at different times. They're starting to expire here in the very near future. What can you tell us about that? Mike,

Mike Korposh 12:11
Well, Ben Weinecke of the PA Department of Ag is going to be coming in in the next few days, once we give him the listing of those businesses that have liquor licenses, first in the city to do those inspections, and then we'll quantify and do the rest of the list with him over the next few months. And hopefully we can get a code inspection officer that can do it in the future, but in the interim, any member of the administration can go with him, and it'll be a valid code visit with that person. So you myself,

Lloyd, anyone of the administration can work with him. It's a valid, valid look. So that should be happening next week.

Mayor Ron Mozer 13:01
We've talked about RVE several different times. RVE is the company that is managing our CDBG budget, and everybody says, Why don't they do some grants? Well, they made an offer to us that they will do two grants at zero cost to the city, no overhead whatsoever, under the terms that they get the engineering for that project, if it has engineering involvement. So right now we have the most pressing issue that I'm aware of is probably the Herman Mahalich boat launch. We have two major issues right now. One is the boat ramp itself, where the boats are launched from. And the other is, of course, the barges. The barges is going to be a phenomenally expensive proposition and going to really require a lot of work to get that one done, but I would like to get them. I'd like to bundle that into a project and let them start on getting the boat launched up. What they need to do is they need to do all the engineering required to get a permit so that we can extend that boat ramp into the river further. And that's that's the first challenge I'm going to give to them. Does anybody have any questions or objections to that concept? I Yeah. The other one, I'd like to say for something big, like Parente day, or something along those lines, where we can repay some major roads.

Speaker 2 14:37
The other thing is that the resolution three of 2023. Was, was a resolution that was passed by a council here that, uh, repaid the debt to the line usage account that people had borrowed from over the years, many years, long before our administration that has to be paid back. And that's. Being paid back at the rate of $2,030.72 every quarter, every three months. It turns out, we've prepaid a lot of that right now. What I'm advocating here this number is not right, yeah, the number which will be on the the book on the motion, when we do it later this month, will be $5,000 5700 and some dollars. I don't remember the exact number, but what that will do is that will prepay this, this thing, all the way to this time next year. And we talked about just doing it every quarter, but we'll forget a quarter. We'll miss it. We got into habit of not having to worry about it because we had prepaid so much of it before. The other thing I was wanting to avoid was having this come due at the end of the year, when we're always so tied with our money, if we wait till the this time next year, we will have already started doing some, some work with the roads and streets, and we can do exactly the same thing. Now, it turns out that there's some

Joseph Dalfonso 16:10
I found the number two, okay, good. $5,666.36

Mayor Ron Mozer 16:16
very good. And you got the number of how much we got in credit.

Joseph Dalfonso 16:21
$2,510.42 will go to the general fund.

Mayor Ron Mozer 16:25
So, so there's a total of $8,000 of work that we've done with storm drains and and street sweeper. We're going to use 5000 of that to pay the the the line usage loan for the rest to this time next year, and

then 2000 that will just go into the general fund. Everybody understand what I'm saying. Make sense to everybody.

Speaker 2 17:02
So the next thing here we've got here is Chief Yuhasz and his invitation to the Westmoreland County SWAT team, which I think is an excellent opportunity to expand our vision with the police department. It will have multiple effects with retention and everything else. It gives people the chance to learn new skills. What do you want to tell us about that you got to come back over here and use the mic?

Chief Dave Yuhasz 17:28
I Okay, I said the Westmoreland county SWAT has primarily started up in the New Kensington, lower borough, upper borough area the county up north. They expand, they expand, and they're to the point now where they want to move south. That's us. They got our they have their eyes on us and Ross Traver. I don't know where Ross Draven sits, but I know, but some of my guys have some interest in it because I brought it up to their attention. It is something that we can utilize for, you know, high risk search warrants. You know, barricaded suspect in this day and age, it's anything, anything situation, yeah, it could. It could be a benefit for for that also give guys something else to strive for. When you come become a police officer in Monessen, and basically you're a patrolman for life, regardless of your rank or anything like that, you're a patrolman for life, answering calls. We're a small town. It gives them a little something to work for, strive for. I think it's just a they work out good for us.

Mayor Ron Mozer 19:05
Okay, Is there's a there's a membership fee to be part of this,

Speaker 1 19:08
yeah, and that's what I was trying to pull up on my phone. Here, it breaks out in percentages with all these departments currently what they have a handful of departments today, more than a handful of departments that are in it, but they break it down to percentages, like North Huntington police, they have six guys on there, so they pay a higher percentage us like we're Looking just put one person on see how that goes, if it's more if it goes really good. See if we can put a second one. But they break it down to like compared to upper barrel, who has one officer on the team, the total funding for the outfit, whatever it may be. So. They pay 2.95% I don't have those figures because it was all over the phone. I was talking to just what the director from the he says, roughly, you're looking about $600 a year, 606 50, something like that. Okay, now,

Mayor Ron Mozer 20:16
If I understand this correctly, the once you're on this team, you have all kinds of training that goes on. They have you have exercises, and you have events that may occur during the process. All of that's funded through the county. Is that correct?

Chief Dave Yuhasz 20:32
No that comes on to us, where we I have to pay that officer. You know, we pay the officer benefit to that is, I know that's a low, you know, but whenever, for an example, the officers in Greensburg that who are say, we'll just say detached for them, for this purpose, if they get called out to Manos and city of

Greensburg is paying their wage if same thing, North Huntington, upper borough, New Kensington, if they come out and if they come down here to do something, they're paying their pay. They pay their fair share. They paying their guys their wages, like if we have something here in town, we're not paying their wages for everyone else, I'm just paying everybody pays their own way. Everyone pays their own way through so I'll pay my officer now with the training aspect of it is I can schedule that. I could work that into a schedule. So that's takes that off the plate there for overtime or anything along those lines. Last year, they had 13 calls the SWAT team did so if the and it depends if Council decides to go this direction again, it's not we want to flip of a switch, right? We got to come up with a procedure, because sometimes there's only two guys working, and if the guy that's on the team is working the road, he can't leave Monessen to go run to wherever else in the county, because I need to keep two officers in town. So he may not have to go up to that one. But if he's off duty, he gets called out there you have the overtime. It would be from, you know, again, that's something that we have to sit down talk about. How does you know from the time of call to the time he gets back home?

Councilman John Nestor 22:37
Whatever it is, I hate to interrupt you, Chief, I just had a quick question. If they were calling out, let's say remotely, they'd be taking our vehicle with them, but

Chief Dave Yuhasz 22:42
That would be they would take their own vehicle.

Councilman John Nestor 22:44
They'd take their own vehicle.

Chief Dave Yuhasz 22:45
As far as that, they're not going to have how much I love to complain about police cars here. They can't, I can't let one go. Yeah, you know what I mean,

Councilman John Nestor 22:57
That's not just with the wear and tear that we're having right now.

Chief Dave Yuhasz 22:59
Yeah, it's worried about having a vehicle of ours out there to a location like, let's say, new kinds of activities, they would have to, you know, use their own vehicle. I'll see what.

Councilman John Nestor 23:12
The Question is. But if that officer's leaving Monessen to go route to, let's say to Arnold, and they're using their own vehicle and we're paying are we paying them during that time of them driving? Yeah, the drive so they get in a car accident. Does their insurance covered? Or insurance covered?

Joseph Dalfonso 23:31
It would be a discussion between the city's insurance liability insurance. That's want to see where

Councilman John Nestor 23:35

the liability comes from. Yeah, that officer leaves our domain and enters now another job and then goes to remote location like Arnold or Greensboro. Stand for us with our insurance.

Joseph Dalfonso 23:50
We probably need to talk to the insurance company and see if there's some kind of rider, rider for these vehicles, if they're going to be using them. Do the other municipalities send municipal vehicles, or do they send personal vehicles?

Chief Dave Yuhasz 24:04
I don't know. But some of these departments, again, they have, yeah, they have a plethora of vehicles. Yeah, you know that they could lose one or two. Yeah, we can't No, and you know someone to put you know, it's not like, unfortunately, now, close at the times, we don't have any officers living in town,

Joseph Dalfonso 24:24
That would be hard to somebody's off shift, yeah, first go to the police,

Chief Dave Yuhasz 24:27
yeah. So if safe, so if an officer who's off duty lives in Irwin, you know, I got a couple guys live in Irwin, they get called to new kid again. That doesn't make sense for them to come back to mozing, to go, yeah, out there to grab a car to go, No, that was the case if I had people in town, but I'm the only one in town. But the they could stop at the station and then go, that's a different story. But I can't release a car for someone to be a take home car for right now, for that purpose, you should probably.

Joseph Dalfonso 24:59
Get with Mike to have a conversation with the insurance company and see what that would look like.

Councilman John Nestor 25:05
The idea that's one thing that I'm I'm tiptating about, is the insurance and legality of that office.

Chief Dave Yuhasz 25:10
And I could dive deeper into this with other municipalities, what they do, because, again, that's an emergency you're going to does that, you know, like how volunteer firemen have lights on their cars. Yeah, would that officer be required to do that?

Mayor Ron Mozer 25:26
So besides new Kingington didn't North Huntington, who else is, uh, currently doing this,

Chief Dave Yuhasz 25:38
I have as their policy. Here you have New Kensington, lower borough, upper borough, Murrysville, Washington Township, Allegheny Township, Vandergrift, Greensburg, North Huntington Township, Ligonier Valley, Irwin borough, I said they got that side the county covered. They're working their way to the market. Yes, so that's why they

Mayor Ron Mozer 26:11

It also gives us an opportunity to maybe reach out to some of them, to understand what the cost to the community, to their department is.

Councilman Nestor Yeah, like, do we understand what little bit more 26:19
about they'd be using their own equipment, from

Chief Dave Yuhasz 26:21
They have their they have their own equipment, like they have, like a Bearcat, like one of those armored vehicles that's stationed,

Councilman John Nestor 26:29
I think it's but the uniform and everything, would they be using their uniform? Yeah, I believe our uniform.

Chief Dave Yuhasz 26:33
No ammunition or gun. I think when it comes to the firearm aspect, would be our firearms. But I think they give them armor. I think they give them the uniform to give that everything like that. But we would have to supply here. Every officer has their own duty weapon anyway. You know, worst case, I might have to go out buy a new rifle. You know, that way that rifle goes with that officer at all times. But again, it's worth a discussion. And again, this was brought up to me recently. That's why we're here's that officer something to work for? Yeah, and that's what I know. There's a burden, and Nothing's ever perfect, and especially, I could use a lot more officers, but I think this is something that helped strive because I've had guys, you know, they want to be detectives. They want to do this. This might strive for them to recruiting tool too. It could be a recruiting tool too.

Mayor Ron Mozer 27:35
Thank you. Thank you, Chief.

Chief Dave Yuhasz 27:37
You. You skipped over me for the civil service. Alright, you're all around with that. Yeah, sorry, I did a few walls I didn't want to travel back and forth against. Thank you, Chief. I like that idea.

Mayor Ron Mozer 28:01
Okay, Councilman Orzechowski,

Councilman Orzechowski 28:03
Okay, Mayor, make a motion to pay the following invoices from the general fund in the amount of $81,290.81 all invoices are attached. This agenda is attachment. A

Mayor Ron Mozer 28:13
Is there a second? Second? Any questions? Call the roll.

Mike Korposh 28:16
Council person Cosner, yes. Councilman Nestor aye. Councilman orchakowski, yes. Mayor Mozer, yes.

Councilman Orzechowski 28:22
Make a motion to pay the following invoices from the parks fund account in the amount of $1,006.84 all invoices are attached as agenda attachment B.

Mayor Ron Mozer 28:31
Is there a second? Second? Any questions?

Mike Korposh 28:33
Call the roll. Council person Costner, yes. Councilman Nestor aye, Council Member jakowski, yes. Mayor Mozer, Yes.

Councilman Orzechowski 28:40
Motion to pay the following invoices from the line usage fund in the amount of $5,791.74 all invoices are attached. This agenda is attachment C.

Mayor Ron Mozer 28:49
Is there a second? Second? Any questions? Call the roll. Council person Costner, yes. Council Minister aye. Councilman wichowski, yes. Mayor Mozer, Yes.

Councilman Orzechowski 28:58
Motion to pay the following invoices from the grant fund in the amount of $188.65 amount of $188.65 all invoices are attached. This agenda is Attachment D. I

Mayor Ron Mozer 29:06
Is there a second? Second? Any questions? Call the roll.

Mike Korposh 29:10
Council person, Cosner, yes. Councilman Nester aye. Council member, Orzechowski, yes. Mayor Mozer, yes

Councilman Orzechowski 29:15
Motion to approve the transfer of $62,981.20 from the general fund to the payroll account for payroll.

Mayor Ron Mozer 29:22
Is there a second second? Any questions, call the roll

Mike Korposh 29:26
Council person Cosner, yes. Councilman Nestor aye. Councilman Ozerchowski, yes. Mayor Mozer, Yes.

Councilman Orzechowski 29:31
Motion to transfer 56,000 from the refuge account to the general account.

Mayor Ron Mozer 29:35
Is there a second second? Any questions, call the roll

Mike Korposh 29:39
Council person Cosner, yes. Councilman Nestor aye, Councilman Orzechowski, yes,

Councilman Orzechowski 29:44
Motion to transfer $2,500 from the general fund to the Health Care Fund.

Mayor Ron Mozer 29:48
Is there a second? Second, any questions? Call the roll.

Mike Korposh 29:52
Council person Cosner, yes. Councilman Nestor, aye. Councilman Orzechowski, yes. Mayor Mozer yes,

Councilman Orzechowski 29:57
Discussion and motion to approve the payments. Resolution on number 28 and served certificate in the amount of $202,055.14 for Phase Three work performed during the November 27 2024 through February 3, 2025 for sewer rehabilitation project phase three, certificate 28

Mayor Ron Mozer 30:17
Is there a second?

Councilman John Nestor 30:18
Second?

Mayor Ron Mozer 30:18
Is there any discussion? Call the roll.

Mike Korposh 30:22
Council person Cosner, yes. Councilman Nester, aye. Councilman Orzechowski, yes. Mayor Mozer, yes. Discussion

Councilman Orzechowski 30:29
Motion to approve payment requisition number 29 and certificate in the amount of $40,025.96 for Phase Three work performed during the February 1, 2025 through February 28 2025 pursue a rehabilitation cost project, phase three, certificate number 29

Mayor Ron Mozer 30:46
Is there a second?

Councilman John Nestor 30:47

Second?

Mayor Ron Mozer 30:48
Any questions or discussion? Call the roll.

Mike Korposh 30:51
Council person Cosner, yes. Councilman Nestor aye. Councilman Orzechowski, yes. Mayor Mozer, yes.

Councilman Orzechowski 30:57
And these are the balances, even though Ernie is not here, American rescue is 45,004 7985 debt service is 609 $59,314.90 fire Escrow is $22,127.56 general fund is $29,196.12 grant fund has $131,939.30 health care has $5,961.75 line usage has 762,072 72 cents. Liquid fuels has $1,558.85 parks fund has 32,000 through $298.93 $198.93 payroll has $18,243.01 Oh, I'm sorry, 91 cents. Rec fund has $310.80 refuge has $433,939.55 and 10 note is $326,253.72 $26,253.72 mayor, that's my report.

Mayor Ron Mozer 32:05
Thank you. I won't say that. I've really gone down and talked to the the Treasury Department, but I know they've been working on the real estate taxes. They're going to be going out soon, and I think we will be seeing some money coming in here pretty quick. Thank you, John. Do you have anything for us?

Councilman John Nestor 32:28
Thank you, Mayor, Honorable Mayor. Members of Council, administrative staff, citizens, Vanessa and rail office. I currently do not have anything except for when hitting the pavement. The past few weeks, it was brought to my attention that some people in the community are complaining on from Leeds Avenue going up Summit, passing grant Avenue, like if you're heading towards Ninth Street, the vehicles are parked on the right hand side of the street are kind of blocking the flow of traffic. It's a narrow kind of road, and how the road goes, it peaks so you can't see oncoming cars. There's a few times where cars have actually been having almost head on collisions. So I was wondering if we could probably maybe paint one side of the street a yellow line to help the flow of traffic going through that location.

Mayor Ron Mozer 33:21
How much kickback will we get from the residents having to park on their side from where they're used to? Well, the

Councilman John Nestor 33:28
hey, that's what I thought when I looked around it, when I looked over there, there was some spots of yellow. So then just needs to be I think it needs to be redone. But, I mean, I haven't really looked through the minutes or past ordinances, but from just to cover our butt. I think we should just repay the the spot, it would be on the right hand side, going towards Ninth Street that was painted yellow. If you're coming, if you're coming from,

Chief Dave Yuhasz 33:53

what I

Councilman John Nestor 33:56
was saying is you if you're actually coming from, let's say the the convenience store, and you're going, Yeah, and you're going up, I would like the right hand side. That's the side that used to be painted yellow. Yeah, it's between grant leads.

Mayor Ron Mozer 34:17
Sounds like a reasonable thing to me. I'll go and take a look at it. Yeah,

Councilman John Nestor 34:19
if you there's right now, there's like, a truck that's parked there, and it's blocking the flow traffic. So if you're coming up the hill, you can't see cars coming towards you from from Ninth Street, because how the hill peaks? Yeah. So you're kind of like maneuvering between cars and then hoping the oncoming car is not speeding through and gonna hit you head on. So there I, when I was walking around, there is some, you know, attachments of yellow that's been there for a while, some resin, but I think he's

Mayor Ron Mozer 34:47
touched up. Get it touched up, but then we gotta start enforcing it again, too, exactly. So that's where we need to make sure all the residents understand what we're doing and why we're doing it.

Councilman John Nestor 34:57
Yeah. So I just wanted to bring that up to Council's attention. I. But that's been brought to my attention from several of the residents in that area, okay, that that live on Summit and Leeds and then that's good

Mayor Ron Mozer 35:15
microphone.

Chief Dave Yuhasz 35:19
Yeah, and is there signage that we can put parking on one side of the street?

Councilman John Nestor 35:25
That's what I was looking like. I didn't see anything attached at one time. Like, usually would say, like, no parking from corner to corner or something. I didn't see anything on the ground, but there is, like, some old residue from paint, yeah? So maybe even look at, maybe talk to Rodney and see if there's any signs laying around or something. Yeah, exactly. There's between grant and summit there, yeah, okay, yeah, towards ninth, yeah, it's, there's that crest city, like, that little bit of a hill right there. So I don't know if council want to put that on next meeting for just to have a motion to, just to make the motion to do it, even though there was already, or you just want to do it.

Mayor Ron Mozer 36:05

I don't know if that require motion, but rather, we need to go up there and find out what was done in the past, and then, okay, make sure that we we make it safe for the residents, and don't put the residents out too much.

Councilman John Nestor 36:19
And if you are speed on that road. You must have an amazing car, because are you? Are you really don't care about your car where you're live.

Mayor Ron Mozer 36:30
Thank you. Thank you. Shut it off. Just take it with you.

Councilman John Nestor 36:34
That's all I have. Mary, yield the floor. Thank you,

Mayor Ron Mozer 36:38
Karen. Do you have anything for us?

Councilwoman Karen Cosner 36:40
I do have a few things I just want to remind remind everyone again of our clean update that's coming up quicker than you think, on Saturday, April 26 from nine to one o'clock at Madison Park. And the rain date Saturday May 3. I'm hoping so if you, if you belong to any organization and you have a bulletin board, I'd appreciate if you take one, if you do Facebook, put it, put this out on Facebook, so we can have a nice turnout. And I always tell people, they say, Well, can I go someplace else? Well, absolutely, but I we do the Salvation Army said they provide lunch, but I need to know an approximate number of people to order those lunches. So if we could do that, and of course, the flea markets coming up in April as well. That'll be April 19, prior Saturday, rain or shine, down there on Donner and fifth. And I believe was probably the first meeting in May last year, Delmar brought up that he wanted, would like to rename the walking track in honor of Dr Martin dudas. But it turns out that the walking track, the amphitheater and all the civilians, have been named for veterans in april 24 on market year the Marty's been gone, and I would like us to do something for him. I'm not sure what I noticed around town there are like Memorial signs, and I don't know how those came to be. And I think I sent everybody again, you notice I have too much free time. And came up with a renaming, not renaming really, but a policy of how you choose to honor people with the street signs or whatever like that. So I'm maybe we could think, in the next few weeks, doing something for him, like the street that he lived on, or something, yeah, which is, oh my goodness, not rational. Shaw, drive something like that. Because throughout the years, he, I know one time he was on council, he was involved in everything, and Monessen was the love of his life. And I would, I don't want to see another year go by and not honor him in some way. So that was one thing. And then the benches, I sent you my little blueprint of I went around last year, some of our benches. I know they are Memorial benches, but they are in terrible shape, and they have to go. There are safety hazards. If somebody sits on them, they're going to fall. The underlying the cement supports are tilted and everything. And I can make some effort to contact the families if there's a name on it, but even if I can't, the ones that are in bad shape, I still think they need to be removed because it's a safety issue and it look horrible. A lot of the new benches, they're the resin, and they're beautiful. And I don't know how you feel about city park, but we have so many benches around that walking track.

How many more do we need? Yeah, so maybe think about, if people want benches some place, where do we need a bench? Where do we see people sitting? And that was one thing I did. And then I also sent you. I went around and I looked at all the playground equipment, and I came up with for each park what I thought needed to be done. And I met with Ron. Me this morning and the boat launch that that's a beautiful, beautiful parking, not parking. Oh my goodness. Playground. I don't see anything that needs to be done with that, but each of the other parks, there is a need. And I had sent this list to Ronnie. He already has taken care of some of the things that are on the list, but you have small children, and you'd be a good person to be on a committee to re evaluate this. But I noticed that the swing sets that are in the upper part of city park. Rodney says Those were there when I was kid. Yeah, there's been there forever. Yeah, I hate to say this. I think they need to go. I think they cut off the bottom, and Mayor said, we have some money, maybe we can replace one unit. I looked online, and you can get different bays of the more modern design, with the thought that in the future, maybe we could put together grants and get a real playground up on top of the hill nearest park. Manner that that area has a lot of land. I just I also talked to Dante decario. He's the director of Westmoreland County Parks and Rec public works, and he emailed me a copy of the public playground safety handbook that put out by the state. And if you would read that handbook, you would take that handbook and you look at those swing sets, I think, I think you might have an opinion of what should happen to them. And his guys go through a certified playground instructor certification. It's a three day conference, and you have to take a written test, not saying our guys need to do that, but we need to know what's in that. So we can inspect those, those swing sets. I can look at them and make a thought, but I'm certainly not certified to do anything. I just think when I put my child on those swings, and those baby swings are so old they're sort of falling apart. If you put a little one in there, tear their legs up. Yeah, that's why we always go down the river, because that's the one that's more but I think that if the kids in city park are there, they're unattended. They don't have an adult saying, Don't go in there. So if you would just think about this, and I could email you, I don't think I sent this to anybody except the mayor and Mike about my thoughts, and let me know what you think. I just think if somebody goes on the swing sets and they break, we're gonna, you know, you could have issues. I just would be so nice to have updated things. And do you want to put a lot of money into to painting them, replacing everything but the support and the is not wood, and I can't make that determination. But you know, if you take a walk out to the parts, let me know what you think. If you could say, Yeah, this is good. I like these. I'm gonna put my little one in it, yeah, then I'll forget this idea. So I think, Oh, and also, in your packet, you see a band contract for Billy price, for $3,000 we're in the process of asking for donors which have gotten some money. I submitted a grant today for the arts grant out of Westmoreland County. We're waiting to hear from PNC. So even though you could probably better explain because you talked

Mayor Ron Mozer 43:16
First off, we don't have to pay them anything right now, so until after the concert. So all this is is a commitment to put on the concert. We've got how much money we got collected so far,

Councilwoman Karen Cosner 43:32
probably about $1,500

Mayor Ron Mozer 43:34

We got to have about half the money collected so far. We got to get the rest of it collected. But this is a commitment to get Billy price into the area.

Councilwoman Karen Cosner 43:45
Yeah, and I see the mayor has to sign it. It's got, you look at that contract.

Mayor Ron Mozer 43:51
It's got some funny dates in it. I think Billy price made some errors in his date. He allows you to cancel the contract after he's already done the performance. There's some funny things like that, but I think the context of the thing is we needed to be on his schedule.

Joseph Dalfonso 44:07
And that wasn't a typo.

Mayor Ron Mozer 44:11
It could be anything. I didn't ask him need to verify. Didn't make sense. So it didn't make sense.

Councilman Orzechowski 44:18
So do we have a date? Specifically, yes, when is it

Councilwoman Karen Cosner 44:22
June 29

Councilman Orzechowski 44:24
and is there a rain date?

Councilwoman Karen Cosner 44:28
No, we, we can't, didn't they say we don't really set rain dates. Yeah,

Mayor Ron Mozer 44:33
basically, what he said was, if we notify and that's what the confusion of the date was, was the rain date? If there is a rain he allows you to change it up, up to within 48 hours of the concert. I think that was what he was trying to another date to another date within 48 hours of the rain for a different location. And where are we having is that amphitheater city park, and I mean, Its:

Councilman Orzechowski 44:59
Great, but how? How are we doing the logistics of those?

Mayor Ron Mozer 45:07
There's a lot of things that have to be done before between now and then that will get ironed out. It will be a major event. There'll be people coming from all over Western Pennsylvania to

Councilman Orzechowski 45:17
See this. That's my point. How you doing crowd control? Well, it'll require

Mayor Ron Mozer 45:23
Some something for sure. Okay, we got lots of time to plan for those types of things.

Councilwoman Karen Cosner 45:30
I met with Randy Marina last week, who does pause. And Randy probably has more expensive that more experience than almost anybody in having a big events at City Park. And he gave me a lot of tips on what we needed to do. And I felt, I felt good after I met with him, because he's, he's done this.

Mayor Ron Mozer 45:47
It's not the first time that we've done events to this magnitude up there. Randy does it every year. His pause event is huge. 1000s of people. It is 1000s of people. Yes, it is. He has people parked at the at the high school. He has people parked all around town, but taking busses to it.

Councilman Orzechowski 46:08
It's huge. I don't remember that ever happening in the city park

Mayor Ron Mozer 46:10
That happens at the walking track every year. In fact, it's getting so big, he wants to move it out of the city park, because it's just too big for city

Councilwoman Karen Cosner 46:21
He says they he has people park at the high school parking lot and has a shuttle that brings them into city park.

Councilman Orzechowski 46:29
Okay, how are we providing

Councilwoman Karen Cosner 46:31
A shuttle? Well, those are things we're going to work on.

Mayor Ron Mozer 46:33
Lots of issues that we got to solve right now. We need to get on the schedule to have it at all. Okay? It.

Councilwoman Karen Cosner 46:43
Anybody has any ideas on these things? Give us a call. Yeah,

Mayor Ron Mozer 46:49
without a doubt, it's going to be a big undertaking, and it's the first of four that we want to do. The first one will be the get your feet wet. By the fourth one, we'll understand what we're doing. Maybe, yeah, we'll pass it this evening. Motion.

Councilman Orzechowski 47:15
What's a motion for

Mayor Ron Mozer 47:16
the contract to allow the contract to be signed, paid, not paid. We don't pay. This is motion to pay for contracts. So we got to alter that. Yes. Well, motion to accept the contract work, to sign motion to accept the contract for a billy price span for upcoming music in the park concert on June 29 2025 and scratch out that last in the amount of $3,000 is there a second?

Councilman John Nestor 47:50
Second?

Speaker 2 47:51
Any other questions? Call the roll.

Mike Korposh 47:54
Council person Cosner, yes. Councilman Nester aye. Councilman Orzechowski, yes. Yes.

Mayor Ron Mozer 48:02
This time, I'd like to make a motion that we adjourn. Is there a second? Second? Any questions? Call the roll. Let's say, all say, aye, aye. We're done.

ATTEST: SIGNED:

Linda Matthews / City Clerk

Ron Mozer / Mayor