

Council Chambers
Monongahela, PA
May 9, 2018

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Council of the City of Monongahela, due notice of which meeting was published according to law, held Wednesday May 9, 2018 at 7 P.M. in Council Chambers. In the absence of Mayor Kepics, the meeting was called to order by Councilman Ken Kulak who led in the pledge to the flag.

The roll was called and the following present:

Ken Kulak
Claudia Williams
Daryl Miller
William Polonoli

Before the start of public forum, Councilwoman Williams made the following statement. She said that she takes full responsibility for choosing Chess Park as a drop-off location in the Great American Clean Up Movement. She never expected the amount of refuse that was dropped off. The clean-up was very successful and raised awareness in our community that we need more clean-up events. Chess Park is now back to normal thanks to an amazing response.

Public Forum: Councilman Kulak reminded everyone of the three (3) minute time limit.

Kathleen Bordini, 123 Church Street, extended her thanks for taking care of the problem which she presented at the March council meeting. She also thanked Les Pemberton for a job well done.

Attorney Agrafiotis, Charleroi, said he was present for the sale of the Armory. A proposed agreement of sale was presented by our Solicitor Pappasergi and it will be reviewed by himself and buyer John Brice. He also represents Walter Seal about the no parking on Frye Street as a result of Bill 1-2018 which was adopted by council. He said he had hoped to work something out with the owner of the property who has objected but he has made no effort to contact him.

Michelle Parnell, 31 Decker Street, informed council she has received approval from Monongahela Cemetery to start a community garden there. She attended the dedication of the community garden in Donora and has backing from the Donora officials and the county commissioners. Any questions can be obtained at moncitygarden@gmail.com.

James Braum, 503 Park Avenue, said that someone was on social media complaining about the Norfolk Southern trains excessively blowing their horns. He asked that if this subject was brought up, that council don't listen to it.

Robert Harding, Cassidy, said he was concerned about the status of Hillcrest Park. Councilman Polonoli said it will not become a thru-way to travel and there will be no vehicle parking at all.

Corinna Withrow, 401 Sycamore Street, announced that on May 14 blue ribbons will be placed in Chess Park for each police officer who has been killed this year in the line of duty. Then on May 16 Officer Lenzi will be at Little City Coffee from 1:00 to 5:00 to chat and meet residents. On May 17 a bike and safety course will be presented at Chess Park where reflectors will be given out and placed on bikes. The pooch parade will be May 26.

Chad DeSantis, Decker Street, thanked Councilwoman Williams for apologizing for the Chess Park fiasco. He commended the city in its efforts to publish the Police Reports and Code Enforcement Reports on line. He also apologized to City Clerk Carole Foglia for his direct aggression to her at the last council meeting.

Terry Necciai, 400 Meade Street, said the Monongahela Main Street is starting its summer season on May 19 by planting flowers in the planters along Main Street.

