

Point Marion Borough Council Meeting

Minutes

JUNE 27th, 2022

Council meeting was opened with a moment of silence and Pledge of Allegiance by Council President J. Corcoran.

Members present: J. Corcoran, M. Cottrell, J. Cottrell, Alex Volek, and Jack Stewart, and solicitor Doug Sholtis

Others present: Cindi Fisher and Bob Goodwin

Roll call was taken by the Secretary/Treasurer.

A quorum was present.

Minutes of the Regular meeting for June13, 2022, was approved as read.

Solicitor's Report:

Solicitor Sholtis sent a park waiver for the individuals who are currently volunteering at the park. Lien letter completed for the Blosser property in the amount of \$2,000, A motion was made by Mitch Cottrell and seconded by Alex Volek to file the Lien Letter. Solicitor Sholtis ask for motions on the three posted ordinances. A motion by Jack Stewart and seconded by Jim Cottrell to accept the ordinance for A.T.V's, second ordinance Health and Welfare, handrails, and Safety Ordinance. A motion was made by Jim Cottrell and seconded by Alex Volek to accept the ordinance as posted, Lastly Loitering Prohibited within the Borough Ordinance. A motion was made by Jim Cottrell and seconded by Mitch Cottrell to accept the Ordinance as posted. All motions carried. Discussion by the Solicitor concerning the final draft of the water and sewage regulations.

Engineer's Report: None

Code Enforcement:

Mayor's Report: None

Secretary's Report:

Reported on various tasks and activities as completed by the Borough Secretary/Treasurer.

Building and Grounds: None

Public Comment:

Robert Goodwin present to update Council on Fireworks, raised \$7,000 for the purchase there were some hurdles that needed to be addressed such as purchasing and setting off the fireworks you have to have a license to purchase

and set them off, was able to secure the services of Little Big Shots. It was also noted that the fire department would also need to be present. A motion was made by Jack Stewart and seconded by Jim Cottrell to all Little Big Shots to set off the fire works Time to Be Determined. M.C Robert Goodwin applauded the efforts by the borough in addressing cleaning up properties, but brought concern that for 14 years he has asked the borough to address the condition of his neighbor's house. Borough stated they could not do anything at this time.

Scott Waitilevertch Manager of Government and Public Affairs introduced the team of individuals he brought with him all from Columbia Gas. He went on to explain that in 2023 though 2024 Columbia Gas would replace virtually every distribution gas line, both Main and service lines within the Borough Limits. He also noted there would be some inconveniences to the borough residents but would try to minimize. It was asked if Columbia Gas would work with the Borough and the residents during the construction period, response was in the affirmative by the Gas Company. It was also asked if the Gas Company would restore the roadway, it was noted that the restoration of the roadway would be done to Borough ordinance and if the Borough did not have an ordinance, then to PennDOT standards and specifications.

Brandi Newman was present to ask for permission for a Farmer's Family and Flea market to commence July 9th, 2022 would also like to use the concession stand, concerns was noted about the instability of the concession stand wall on the one side. Borough Council and Employees would work on stabilizing the wall and a motion was made by Jack Stewart and seconded by Jim Cottrell to allow the Farmer's and Family Flea market and use of the concession stand. M.C.

Cyndi Fisher was present and asked if anyone had been notified to cut the grass around the old drug store building.

David Lowery was present to ask the Borough to address a parking issue around the sharp curve on a state right of way. Concerned about a safety issue.

Solid Waste and Recycling:

Sewage plant blower finally went out.

Water:

Solicitor Sholtis stated need final approval to move forward with water and sewage regulations. A list of properties needed that will require liens

CCR to be sent out hesitant to mail because of postage issues with sorting and tearing of the reports, it was decided to go door to door to distribute the report.

Streets and Sidewalks: None

Bills:

A motion made by Mitch Cottrell and seconded by Jim Cottrell to pay all bills M.C.

Motion by Jim Cottrell and seconded by Alex Volek to enter Executive Session Concerning Personnel matters at 8:35 P.M. M.C.

Motion by Jim Cottrell and seconded by Jack Stewart to leave executive Session at 10:00 P.M. M.C.

After Council exited the executive session, a motion was made by Jack Stewart and seconded by Jim Cottrell to suspend Chief Dave Hromoda indefinitely without pay pending the preparation of written termination paperwork pursuant to Pennsylvania code. M.C.

Also, a motion was made to rescind the previous motion to the hiring of two part time police officers as moved in the June 13th 2022 meeting, it was moved by Mitch Cottrell and seconded by Alex Volek. M.C.

Being no further business Council President J. Corcoran called for Adjournment

Motion by Mitch Cottrell and seconded by Jim Cottrell to adjourn the meeting at 10:20 P.M. M.C.

President

Date

Secretary

Date