

Point Marion Borough Council Meeting

Minutes

OCT. 24th, 2022

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

Members present: Mayor Carl Ables, J. Corcoran, M. Cottrell, Jack Stewart, Jim Cottrell, Billie Jo Nicklow, Bob Goodwin, and solicitor Doug Sholtis

Absent: Tyler Ables

Others present: Cindi Fisher, Wendy Cottrell, David Everly and Anthony Jordan.

Roll call was taken and a quorum was established.

Minutes of the Regular meeting for September 12, 26 and October 10th, 2022 was approved as presented. A motion was made by Bob Goodwin and seconded by Jack Stewart to approve the minutes of 9/12/2022. M.C. A motion was made by Mitch Cottrell and seconded by Billie Jo Nicklow to approve the minutes of 9/26/2022 as amended. M.C. A motion was made by Mitch Cottrell and seconded by Billie Jo. Nicklow to approve the minutes of 10/10/2022. M.C.

Solicitor's Report:

D.A.'s Office contacted left message no response as of the meeting. Reported sent letters on property maintenance violation issues. No update on Savino case.

Engineer's Report: None

Code Enforcement and Police: Councilman Vice-President Jack Stewart reported working on codes, the tenant registration ordinance needs to be updated.

Solicitor recommends contracting out U.C.C. suggesting contacting Gibson-Thomas to see if they would be willing to take on U.C.C. Council to discuss with engineer.

Mayor's Report:

No Report

Secretary's Report:

A motion was made by Jack Stewart and seconded by Jim Cottrell to pay the bills M.C. Discussion on setting up a meeting to discuss the Budget with Finance committee.

It was noted that Becky Wadsworth of Gibson-Thomas contacted the Borough concerning grant funding opportunities.

Public Comment:

Cyndi Fisher asked when potholes would be patched on Sadler, Cheat, and Freeling Streets. Council acknowledged that these would be addressed.

David Everly asked council if they considered moving street lighting to solar energy as this would save on energizing cost, he presented brochures and cost estimates for lighting with and without a pole. Also presented information to the Borough Council that changes were made to the Sunshine Law in 2021 and those changes are now in effect.

Anthony Jordan requested a copy of sidewalk ordinance and regulations also regulations on fences concerning height is it 8 or 10 ft.

Administration/Water/Sewage

Doug Sholtis stating sent letters out for property maintenance violations.

Report on water repair bill being \$2,800.00 for the cost of gas company contractor to come in and repair broken gas service line. Fresh water pump coming on Wednesday of next week, there is a delay on the service pump until the end of the month. Mitch ordering new Chlorine pump.

Solid Waste and Recycling: None

Sewer: None

Water: None

Streets and Sidewalks: Jim Cottrell asked where utilities were being repaired if those holes in the borough roadways being repaired. Also reported the new plow truck has been picked up. Jack reported the lights on the Cheat bridge that were recently repaired are out, Secretary to contact PennDOT and Miller Electric.

Bills:

Motion to pay bills was made under Secretary's Report

Park

Wendy asks about the security cameras and if there were keys available, she was informed that the only keys available were held by the former police and the mayor. She then asks if the Park Volunteers could purchase a camera system. Wendy then went into after Trick or Treat there would be an event Santa in the Park on December 4th, 2022 beginning at 2 pm with Santa riding on a fire truck around town and ending at the park. Pictures would be taken at a cost of \$10.00 per picture. Wendy asked if the field is wet can they set up on the road behind the fieldhouse a motion was made by Billie Jo Nicklow and seconded by Mitch Cottrell to allow them to set up behind the fieldhouse on the road. M.C.

Unfinished Business: Solicitor asked about budget.

New Business: None

Announcements: None

Motion by Billie Jo Nicklow and seconded by Jim Cottrell to enter Executive Session at 8:02 P.M. M.C.

Motion by Jim Cottrell and seconded by Billie Jo Nicklow to advertise for Police Officer salary, hours, and other compensation TBD. M.C.

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

Motion by Jack Stewart and seconded by Mitch Cottrell to adjourn the meeting. M.C.

President

Date

Secretary

Date