

# **Point Marion Borough Council Meeting**

## **Minutes**

**NOVEMBER 13th, 2023**

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

**Members present: Joseph Corcoran, Jack Stewart, M. Cottrell, Jim Cottrell, Bob Goodwin, and Mayor Ables, also present Solicitor Doug Sholtis (arriving late).**

**Absent: Billie Jo Nicklow, and Trish Steve**

**Others present: Cyndi Fisher**

**Roll call was taken and a quorum was established.**

**Minutes of the Regular meeting for October 23rd, 2023 was approved as read a motion was made by Jack Stewart and seconded by Bob Goodwin to approve the minutes M.C.**

### **Engineer's Report:**

**None**

### **Public Comment**

**Cyndi Fisher commended the Borough on a great job on the repairs to Prospect and Ontario St. Council stated there would be some additional maintenance.**

### **Code Enforcement and Police:**

**None**

### **Mayor's Report:**

**Mayor Ables reported on monthly police activities.**

### **Secretary's Report:**

**A motion was made by Jim Cottrell and seconded by Mitch Cottrell to pay the bills. M.C.**

**Secretary reported that an engagement letter had been sent by Beer Ream and felt that they had performed well and should be engaged to perform the 2022 audit a motion was made by Bob Goodwin and seconded by Jack Stewart to sign the engagement letter for the 2022 audit. M.C.**

**Lastly the Secretary reported that all Council stakeholders had been met with and that the 2024 budget was ready to be posted for review and advertised a motion was made by Bob Goodwin and seconded by Jack Stewart to post and advertise the budget. M.C.**

### **Solicitor's Report:**

Discussed the need for either a Resolution or Ordinance based upon whether taxes would be raised or not. Even if taxes were not going to be raised. The solicitor was informed that real estate taxes was not going to be raised he would prepare the resolution for the same.

### **Code Officer's Report**

Vice-President Jack Stewart requested to delay the report.

### **Committee Reports**

#### **Public Safety**

Mayor Ables gave the Police report under his report.

#### **Infrastructure Committee**

Councilman Jim Cottrell gave the following report: Daily operations of water and sewage Plants, and 4<sup>th</sup> Ave. pump station. Installed 2 new 6-inch valves at the water plant, installed 2 new 4-inch valves at the water plant, added new media to filters #1 and #2. Delivered 59 shut off notices. Volute has shipped hopefully will be installed this coming week. Flow meters were tested for raw and final and final flow meter is working perfectly. Getting bid for new Raw meter. Water line repair on Prospect Street. Filled in potholes. Called in Don Shriver for 2 sewage issues on Morgantown and Highland Ave. Service Line repair scheduled for Tuesday 11/14/23 Butcher. SCADA guy needs to come back to water plant the Borough now has password and drawings. Spoke with Secretary/Treasurer about ordering salt for Winter and upcoming expenses. New screens and bead package for filters. Need level sensors for water tanks, clear well, and backwash pond. Lastly would like to send out 6-inch valves we replaced to be sand blasted after would like to order rebuild kits for them.

#### **Administration**

None

#### **Community Development and Enhancement**

Damaged fence to be replaced this week.

#### **Bills:**

Motion was made under Secretary's Report to pay all bills.

#### **Unfinished Business:**

None

**New Business:**

None

**Announcements:**

None

A motion was made by Jim Cottrell and seconded by Mitch Cottrell to enter into executive session at 7:35 P.M. M.C.

A motion was made by Bob Goodwin and seconded by Jim Cottrell to exit executive session at 9:13 P.M. M.C.

After the following discussions took place motions were made.

A motion was made by Bob Goodwin and seconded by Jack Stewart to have I Know 2 Guys LLC to install a camera system in the borough building at a cost of \$6,259.11. M.C.

A motion was made by Mitch Cottrell and seconded by Bob Goodwin to have R-T Design remove the kennel cage and install the seat and rear plastic prisoner seat and partition at a cost of \$2,975.00. M.C.

A motion was made by Jack Stewart and seconded by Mitch Cottrell to have the solicitor send a letter to Morgan owner of the old skating rink having equipment parked and obstruction of sidewalk. M.C.

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

Motion by Bob Goodwin and seconded by Mitch Cottrell to adjourn the meeting at 9:15 P.M. M.C.

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President

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Secretary

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