

Point Marion Borough Council Meeting

Minutes

JUNE 10th, 2024

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

Members present: J. Corcoran, J. Stewart, M. Cottrell, Jim Cottrell, Anthony Jordon, and Mayor Carl Ables.

Absent: Billie Jo Nicklow, Bob Goodwin, and Solicitor Doug Sholtis

Others present:

Roll call was taken by the Secretary and quorum was established.

Minutes of the May 13th, 2024 meeting were presented a motion was made by Jack Stewart and seconded by Anthony Jordan to accept the minutes as presented. M.C.

Engineering Report:

None

Public Comment:

Cyndi Fisher asked if the Borough intends on having a clean – up day and if the intention was to obtain a dumpster, Council President responded that there are details to be worked out. Cyndi also brought up a concern about public safety.

Mrs. Rosemary Costa raised a question about 22 and 23 audits and when could it be expected to be completed, Borough Secretary stated the 22 audit is near completion and the 23 audit would begin.

Cristina Cottrell asked a question about rental registration and the purpose. Councilman Jack Stewart explained the purpose and the need.

Mayor's Report:

None

Secretary's Report:

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

Secretary updated Council on the 2022 Audit.

Lastly a discussion took place on the Springhill and Nicholson Township's request to participate in paying a portion of the Worker's Compensation for the Fire services provided in both Townships. Jack Stewart and Joe Corcoran plan on attending the next Springhill and Nicholson Township's monthly meetings.

Secretary Whyel updated Council on the status of the First United Capital improvement loan and that he was in contact with Andrew Hardesty he has everything needed to complete the financial packet to present to the bank

A meeting was set up to meet with Ed Schmidt of ESI Insurance consultant. On June 13th, 2024 1:30 P.M.

A motion was made by Mitch Cottrell and seconded by Jack Stewart to grant full access to Linda Bise Utility Manager to the Capital improvement fund at First United Bank. M.C.

Solicitor's Report:

No report

Code Officer's Report:

Jack Stewart passes out and reviews with Council the code enforcement activities for the month. He also informs Council the Betty Justice property has been torn down, he also stated there is a court hearing concerning the old drug store building (Big K) on June 13th, 2024. Lastly Jack Stewart mentions there are a number of structures with issues within the Borough and one of them being 201 Jeanette Street being uninhabitable.

Committee Reports:

Public Safety:

None

Infrastructure:

Jim Cottrell gave a report on the following Daily operations of the water, sewage, and 4th Ave plants and pump stations. Grass was cut in various locations within the Borough. Cleaned up two fallen trees within the Borough. Delivered 67 shut off notices. Waterline repairs various locations. Also fixed various water and sewage lines from gas line construction. Gibson Thomas in town to measure for Morgantown St. waterline.

Administrative

Joe states there will be committee reassignments.

Community Development and Enhancement:

Wendy states that she was informed Point Marion Park was awarded a 40K grant from the Pennsylvania Park Fund, the Fund committee would have to raise the funds and once completed could commence working on necessary item. Wendy also informed the Council that Vita Link will install various internet hotspots at the park. Lastly Wendy gave a report on the Regatta stated it was a success there will be a family fun day. A Car show on 06/29 and fireworks were rescheduled for 07/06/2024 and a band will play from 5 – 7 P.M.

Unfinished Business:

None

New Business:

Anthony Jordan brings a discussion before Council concerning public safety and suggest that ordinances the Borough has in place concerning the issue maybe strengthen them to ensure public safety.

A motion was made by Jim Cottrell and seconded by Jack Stewart to enter into executive session at 7:40 P.M.

A Motion was made by Jack Stewart and seconded by Jim Cottrell to exit executive session at 8:45 P.M. M.C.

Give no further business before council President Joe Corcoran called for Adjournment.

A motion was made by Mitch Cottrell and seconded by Jack Stewart to adjourn the meeting at 9:10 P.M. M.C.

President

Secretary

Date