## Point Marion Borough Council Meeting Minutes

**January 17, 2022** 

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

Members present: J. Corcoran, J. Stewart, T. Ables, M. Cottrell, J. Cottrell, Billie Jo Nickelow, Mayor C. Ables, and solicitor Doug Sholtis

Others present: Cyndi Fisher and Julia Casteel

A quorum was present.

Roll call was taken by Secretary/Treasurer

Minutes of the Reorganization meeting and Regular meeting for January 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2022 presented to the council for review and approval. A motion was made by Billie Jo Nickelow and seconded by Jack Stewart to approve the meeting minutes. M.C.

Financial Report was presented to council after review a motion was made by Jack Stewart and seconded by Billie Jo Nickelow to approve the report as presented. M.C.

Solicitor's Report: The solicitor reported that a trial date for Savino was set for April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

Solicitor Sholtis brought before the council concerning a letter that probably should be sent to Savino, after the discussion a motion was made by Joe Corcoran and seconded by Billie Jo Nickelow to have the solicitor send a letter to Savino. M.C.

## **Engineer's Report None**

Public Comment: A resident Cyndi Fisher brought some concerns before council after the resident presented her concerns the borough stated her concerns would be addressed.

Another resident was present concerning their shut off notice, Council stated that they would review her concerns and the acting water manager would get back to her she was directed to contact the federal water assistance program.

Mayor's Report: The Mayor requested the Borough to have a resolution drawn up that gives the Borough Police Department the authority to address code enforcement issues. Chief of Police will draft a letter to Borough Council.

Secretary's Report: A discussion was held on tax exemption status, it was determined that the federal number in place served as tax exempt status for a municipality.

A quote was presented by the secretary requesting two new Lap-Tops, digital recorder, and a phone conferencing phone. After the discussion a motion was made by J. Stewart and seconded by T. Ables to make the purchase. M.C.

A request to change the Atlantic Broadband to include additional data and cable for the same price that the Borough is paying. A motion was made by Tyler Ables and seconded by Billie Jo Nickelow to approve the upgrade to the broadband and to have cable installed. M.C.

A discussion was held concerning the need for various repairs and supplies needed for the water and sewage plants. A motion was made by Jack Stewart and seconded by Tyler Ables to purchase the parts and Miscellaneous tools. M.C.

A blanket motion was made by Tyler Ables and seconded by J. Corcoran to pay all bills between meetings that would accrue additional charges and fees. M.C.

A discussion was held on changing meeting dates from the 1rst and 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday's to the second and fourth Monday's a Motion was made by J. Stewart and seconded by Billie Jo Nickelow to change the meeting dates. Secretary to post and have it advertised in the Herald Standard. M.C.

Water Report: Julia Casteel gave a report on collections stating that October was outstanding for collections, and to date what is owed. Council thanked Julia for her efforts.

A discussion was held on entering into an agreement with the federal government to accept payment for past due water bills to help individuals in need. A motion was made by J. Stewart and seconded by M. Cottrell to enter into the agreement. M.C.

Councilman M. Cottrell brought a discussion before the council concerning bids for repairs on a sidewalk along 119 after the presentation a motion was made by J. Stewart and seconded by Billie Jo Nickelow to approve the bid by H2 Concrete Service Inc not to exceed \$9,200. M.C.

Motion by Tyler Ables and seconded by J. Corcoran to enter into Executive Session Concerning Police Services. M.C.

Motion by Jack Stewart and seconded by Billie Jo Nickelow to leave executive Session. M.C.

Being no further business Council President J. Corcoran called for Adjournment Council Vice-President moved and seconded by T. Ables to adjourn the meeting; motion carried.			
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