

Point Marion Borough Council Meeting

Minutes

MAY 13th, 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, Anthony Jordon, and Solicitor Doug Sholtis (late).

Absent: Billie Jo Nicklow, Jim Cottrell, Bob Goodwin, and Mayor Carl Ables

Others present: Dawn Goodwin

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

Minutes of the April 22nd, 2024 meeting were presented a motion was made by Mitch Cottrell and seconded by Jack Stewart to accept the minutes as presented. M.C.

Engineering Report:

None

Public Comment:

Dawn Goodwin ask a question, Vice-President Mitch Cottrell states that he will look into it.

Mayor's Report:

None

Secretary's Report:

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

Secretary updated Council on the 2022 Audit.

A discussion took place concerning the Borough's Liability insurance Secretary Whyel updated council on the events that have transpired since the borough received a letter from Glatfelter National Union insurance. Secretary Whyel stated that he has been in contact with Ed Schmidt concerning the Liability insurance and that Ed is requesting quotes he stated that the borough would not receive proposals until probably 60 days out prior to the expiration of the current policy which does not expire until August 1, 2024.

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.

Solicitor's Report:

Solicitor Sholtis reports that he released the liens on the Saulies property the next day.

Also sent a letter to the liability insurance company asking for a report on the run loss. He states that he received a report but was confused as to why it referred to Ronco in German Township when it should be Point Marion Borough.

Also released the Stuttler Lien.

Worked on PUC concerning the complaint that was filed.

Lastly Fayette County is requesting the Borough to pass an Enterprise Zone between 119 and 857 that would assist current businesses with the zone area with more easily obtaining funding, after the discussion a motion was made by Jack Stewart and seconded by Anthony Jordan to pass the resolution. M.C.

Code Officer's Report:

Jack starts a discussion concerning public safety and the issue with dangerous structures with the borough limits. Jack also discussed the current ordinances that the Borough currently has in place to deal with the issues of dangerous and uninhabitable dwelling structures. Lastly Jack Stewart gives a report on the current code enforcement activities.

Committee Reports:

Public Safety:

Comment was made the Borough officer that it was business as usual.

Infrastructure:

Vice-President Mitch Cottrell gave a report on the daily activities for Water, Sewer, Columbia Gas and other events related to work being performed within the Borough.

Mitch also gave a report on the latest utility bill payment history for the past two months.

A report was given on the status of the two current grants.

A report was given on the Sadler St. slide repair.

Administrative

Since Greene Waste has sold to Mountain State Waste the Borough needed to make Mountain State Waste the official trash collector within the Borough. A motion was made by Jack Stewart and seconded by Anthony Jordan to make Mountain State Waste the official Trash Collector. M.C.

Eric Snyder had made a proposal to continue Rails to Trails seamless through the borough and to make Railroad Street from Cheat St. North to Rt. 119 one way. A motion was made by Jack Stewart and seconded by Mitch Cottrell to make that portion of Railroad St. one way pending a review by the Borough Engineer and notification to PennDOT. M.C.

Community Development and Enhancement:

Bob's B B Q brought in funding for the Fireworks, and the Regatta countdown has begun.

Letters were sent out to the various businesses within Fayette County asking for support on the regatta.

Unfinished Business:

None

New Business:

None

A motion was made by Jack Stewart and seconded by Mitch Cottrell to enter into executive session at 7:45 P.M.

A Motion was made by Mitch Cottrell and seconded by Anthony Jordan 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 8:46 P.M. M.C.

President

Secretary

Date