

Point Marion Borough Council Meeting

Minutes

February 14, 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, M. Cottrell, J. Cottrell, Billie Jo Nicklow, Mayor C. Ables, and solicitor Doug Sholtis

Others present: Julia Casteel, Mike Watts, Misty Swiger, and Cindy Fisher

Roll call was taken by Secretary/Treasurer a quorum was established.

Minutes of the Regular meeting for January 17th, 2022 presented to the council for review and approval. A motion was made by Jack Stewart and seconded by Mitch Cottrell 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 Nicklow to approve the report as presented. M.C.

Engineer's Report

Gibson Thomas Pete Buss was present to give annual engineering report with the following reported:

- 1.) CCR report due no later than July 1, 2022 must be completed.**
- 2.) Need resolution by March 15th 2022 for Grant application**
- 3.) Gibson Thomas to submit grant application for Cambria System for SCADA on improvements for the water treatment facility**

The following motions were made based on the Engineering report given

Motions

For the Gravity filter system a motion was made by Billie Jo Nicklow and seconded by James Cottrell. M.C.

Motion

For the SCADA system there was previous approval this was for materials only labor would have to be provided from other fund sources.

C.C.R. Tabled

Repairs to chlorine room at an estimated cost of \$7,165 motion by Jack Stewart and seconded by Mitch Cottrell. M.C.

Other related matters from Engineering report, Chpt 110 engineers need to obtain additional information.

A resolution by the borough to have Gibson Thomas submit grant a motion by Billie Jo Nicklow and seconded by Mitch Cottrell to submit grant. M.C.

Jack Stewart mentions to council there will be a meeting Friday February 18th, 2022 11 am representative from DCNR and a representative from Gibson Thomas who works with the borough on Grant submissions, it was suggested to have representation from borough park commission.

Public Comment: Mike Watts along with Misty Swiger were present concerning their residential water bill.

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.

Mayor Ables also brought before council for discussion other matters concerning the police department

Secretary's Report: Secretary/Treasurer Harold L Whyel presented financials before council and other related matters concerning administrative borough business.

Water Report: Julia Casteel gave a report on collections stating that invoicing is continuing and that the borough is now participating in the water assistance program and LIHEAP for residence that are having a difficult time meeting payment obligations. A discussion was held on Rental Properties.

A motion was made to go into Executive Session for Personnel matters the motion was by Billie Jo Nicklow and seconded by Jim Cottrell at 9:11 PM. M.C.

A motion was made by Mitch Cottrell and seconded by Billie Jo Nicklow to come out of Executive Session at 10:05 P.M. M.C.

Motion: After the Executive Session a motion was made by Jack Stewart and seconded by Mitch Cottrell to hire Erin Strimel as the water utility manager. M.C.

Solicitor's Report: Solicitor Doug Sholtis reported on the various activities concerning the ordinances that he is working on for the Borough. Solicitor Sholtis also mentioned that a legal add bill also needs to be paid from previous advertisement.

Bills: A motion was made by Billie Jo Nicklow and seconded by James Cottrell to pay bill. M.C.

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

Council Vice-President moved and seconded by Billie Jo Nicklow to adjourn the meeting; motion carried.

President

Date

Secretary

Date