

Marietta Borough Council
Minutes of Meeting held January 8, 2013
113 East Market Street, Marietta, PA

President Fletcher with Council members deVitry, Nagel, Rice and Yohe and Mayor Overlander present called the regularly scheduled monthly meeting of the Marietta Borough Council to order at 7:00 PM. Absent from the meeting were Council members Roberts and Stellfox. The meeting opened with a moment of silence followed by the pledge of allegiance.

On a motion by Council member Nagel with a second by Council member Yohe, the minutes of the December 11, 2012 Council meeting were approved as presented.

President Fletcher opened the public comment session of Borough Council.

PUBLIC SESSION

Charles Shireman, 345 East Market Street, stated the Committee has started to organize the Memorial Day Parade to be held on Monday, May 27th and requested the services of the Fire Police, as well as asking the Borough to provide the insurance rider. On a motion by Council member Nagel with a second by Council member deVitry, Council unanimously approved the Memorial Day Parade Committee to hold their Memorial Day Parade, May 27th and the Borough will again provide the insurance rider.

President Fletcher announced the public comment session of Borough Council is closed.

ADMINISTRATIVE/PERSONNEL/FINANCE – Vice-President Jack Rice

On a motion by Council member Rice with a second from Council member Yohe, the General Fund Breakdown dated 01/08/13 was unanimously approved as presented.

On a motion by Council member Rice with a second from Council member Nagel, Council unanimously approved the following appointments:

- ❖ Borough Solicitor - Michael W. Davis, Barley, Snyder, Senft, Cohen, LLC.
- ❖ Borough Engineer - Darrell Becker, ARRO Consulting Group
- ❖ Borough Auditor - Sager, Swisher & Company
- ❖ Tax Collector - Jody Shaffner
- ❖ Deputy Tax Collector - Ronda Ney
- ❖ Zoning Officer - Mark Harman
- ❖ Housing Officer - Harold Ebersole
- ❖ Building Code Official - George Syder, Commonwealth Code Inspectors
- ❖ Vacancy Board Chair - Rick Thomas

Council member Rice made a motion to accept Resolution 01-13 (see attached), second by Council member Yohe. President Fletcher requested a roll call vote.

Council member Rice - aye
Council member Yohe - aye
Council member Nagel - aye

Council member deVitry - aye
President Fletcher - aye

President Fletcher announced the motion carried unanimously.

STREETS & HIGHWAYS – Council member Jack Rice

Nothing to report at this time.

BUILDINGS & SPECIAL PROJECTS – Council member David deVitry

Nothing to report at this time.

PARKS & RECREATION – Council member Corinna Yohe

Nothing to report at this time.

PLANNING/ZONING/HOUSING – Council member Phyllis Stellfox

Nothing to report due to Council member Stellfox absence.

PUBLIC HEALTH & SAFETY – Council member Gene Nagel

Council member Nagel reported the Pioneer Fire Company responded to fifteen (15) calls during the month of December and fourteen (14) calls for the Quick Response.

SEWER & TRASH – Council member Bill Roberts

On a motion by Council member Yohe with a second from Council member Nagel, the December Recycling Report was unanimously approved as presented.

MAYOR’S REPORT - Mayor Oliver Overlander

Mayor Overlander announced the Fire Police will be meeting next Monday night.

Mayor Overlander stated eight (8) or nine (9) officers attended the Commission meeting where there was a discussion regarding the insurance for healthcare with our carrier. Mayor Overlander stated this is the last year of the contract and discussion will start in mid-February with the manpower to negotiate at least a 4-year contract. President Fletcher questioned if this was a total contract. Mayor Overlander stated yes. Mayor Overlander also stated there was discussion regarding a Resource Officers for the school district. At the present time, we do not have a Resource Officer, although the police do spend a good bit of time at the schools, especially the Middle & Senior High Schools. When the students returned to school after the holidays, there was a very strong police presence at all the buildings. On Thursday the School Board will be meeting and the Chief and the Superintendent will be there to discuss the possibility of a Resource Office for the school district. The Commissioner are very interested in this due to the fact that several years ago we were going to try to obtain a grant for a Resource Officers; however the formal school board was not as interested as we were. Should there be an interest, there will be a meeting with the Commission to discuss finances. President Fletcher questioned if there were any grants available? Mayor Overlander stated not at this time; however with the recent tragedy, we are hoping that Washington will take some type of action. President Fletcher questioned if it was possible to use one of the existing officers? Council member Nagel stated this is just in the beginning stage. The Commission is hoping that by the time this would get developed and a decision is made, it would only be a couple of months we would have to cover the Resource Officer and then hopefully there will be a grant in place for next year. Mayor Overlander stated the theory is the Resource Officer would only be there during the school term and in the summertime would be back on regular duty. Mayor Overlander also stated the sub-station was discussed and should be in operation sometime in mid-February or early March.

There being no further business to come before Council, the meeting adjourned at 7:17 PM on a motion by Council member Nagel with a second by Council member Rice.

BOROUGH SEAL

Respectfully submitted,

Jody L. Shaffner
Secretary/Treasurer