

**Marietta Borough Council**  
**Minutes of Meeting held December 11, 2018**  
**113 East Market Street, Marietta, PA**

President Mazis with Council members Shambaugh, McKinney, States, Dalzell, Marsh, Mayor Kulman and Solicitor Harter present called the regularly scheduled monthly meeting of the Marietta Borough Council to order at 7:00 PM. Absent from the meeting was Council member Angelo. The meeting opened with a moment of silence followed by the pledge of allegiance.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Barbara Basile – Milanof Schock Library – Thanked us for our donation and looks forward to working with us in 2019. They have story time in the old First National Bank building the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month at 10:30 AM starting in January. They also will have this in Maytown at the municipal building on the 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of each month.

Lillian Hill – 462 East Front Street – She just bought property on South Locust Street and would like to know if the Borough would dredge Evans Run. The stream bed has rocks and wood in it. President Mazis stated that the homeowners own to the middle of the creek and it is their responsibility. She asked if there is any way to get help. The borough will look into it and see what is available.

President Mazis closed public comment at 7:10 PM

President Mazis opened the regularly scheduled meeting.

**MINUTES FOR APPROVAL**

President Mazis asked for a motion to approve the November council meeting minutes. Council member Marsh made a motion to approve the November council minutes with a second by Council member Dalzell. Motion carries unanimously by voice vote.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The administrative meeting worked on a rough draft on a policy to send out for the sidewalk repairs for East Market Street. It will now be forwarded to both the Streets Committee and to the Public Outreach and Communication committees for further revisions to the draft.

The signs are up now on the trail that gives directions to Marietta businesses and other sites as arranged by MABA. Thanks to Scott Barrow, Bev Kreider and MABA for doing this project which will help the Borough.

The Borough had a meeting with the Lancaster Housing Authority about the trailhead property. There is a concept design that has been formulated and they are planning to get back to us. There is a hold up with the depot building arrangements, but this should be nailed down in January.

The Mayor on Sunday read a proclamation for the Donegal Field Hockey Team congratulating them on their victory at the State Championship.

On Monday, November 19<sup>th</sup> we had a great citizen turnout for the LNP meeting at the Community House. They reported that it was the best meeting they ever held in their two and

half years of meetings in communities. On December 16<sup>th</sup>, Marietta will be featured in the Lancaster Newspaper.

In late March there will be a meeting for the public on our parks grant on how to upgrade our parks, how to intergrade our parks, and how to use green infrastructure. The proposals will be presented to the public for public input.

President Mazis read a memorial tribute on the memory of Bruce Gibson that attempted to sum up all the good works he tried to accomplish for the Borough as a concerned and involved citizen. President Mazis thanked him for his vigilance and help to the Borough.

## **REPORTS**

**Fire Police/EMA – Steve Bailey** – For November they ran seventeen (17) calls, forty-two (42) officers for a total of ninety-one (91) hours on duty. They presented Gene Nagel with a plaque for over 30 years of service to our organization and to the community. Gene will continue to serve as their president.

**Pioneer Fire Company – Michael Emig** – For November they ran eleven (11) QRS calls and nineteen (19) fire calls for a total of thirty (30) calls. They had one-hundred, fifty-nine (159) hours on calls and training. They fire company took around Santa Claus and handed out over 200 candy canes. Saturday they will be expanding their area up to Coffee Goss Road.

**Pioneer Fire Company Financial Statement – Robert Shambaugh** – Report dated November 26, 2018. The fire company had a balance of \$16,285.58.

**Sewer –Freddy States** – Report dated November 2018. The sewer fund has a savings account balance of \$205,978.86 and a checking account balance of \$110,989.67. Council member States motioned to accept the report as presented with a second by Council member Dalzell. Motion carries unanimously by voice vote.

**Recycling –Freddy States** – Reported that the Borough recycled 64,660 lbs. during November 2018. Council member States motioned to accept the report as presented with a second by Council member Dalzell. Motion carries unanimously by voice vote.

**Treasurer – Sharon Bradnick** - The General Fund Monthly Breakdown dated December 11, 2018. The total general fund accounts are \$761,663.78. Council member Dalzell motioned to approve the report as presented with a second by Council member McKinney. Motion carries unanimously by voice vote.

**Secretary – Sharon Bradnick** – Everyone received their profit and loss statements for the month of November. At the end of November, we show that we have a loss of \$50,483.94 for the month. January through November we show income of \$83,380.65. We have been very busy getting things closed out for the year and we have gotten a lot accomplished for the year.

**Mayor's Report - Harold Kulman** – Mayor Kulman received a letter from the Craig Stedman, District Attorney and was addressing that the Lancaster County commissioners in regards to the drug epidemic county wide and the impact it has had on budgets. They would like us to put pressure on the commissioners to put more of the county's budget toward it. Council member Dalzell said he would be in support of a statement that puts pressure on the commissioners. Council member Dalzell made a motion to send a letter to the County commissioners in support of increasing funding to the drug task force with a second by Council member Shambaugh.

Motion carries unanimously by voice vote. President Mazis asked that the Outreach committee work on putting a letter together.

Mayor Kulman stated that Northwest Ambulance sent out their financial report and they need money also. The Borough is required to have ambulance service for the community but the Borough is not required to pay for having the service. The Borough may want to look into implementing a tax for EMS services like the fire tax for the fire company. President Mazis stated that he would like to have the EMS come and present a business presentation on how much funding they need from each municipality and how they might plan to meet the future financial obligations. We would have to hear this first, before considering funding requests.

Mayor Kulman stated that they have a contract with the Police Association on this year and next year. The contract between the municipalities needs to be worked on. This will be happening this coming year.

## **STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **Administrative – President Mazis**

President Mazis stated that the administrative committee heard the presentation of Mr. Heistand about the lien placed on the cemetery property. Mr. Heistand would like to have some kind of relief from this lien. The committee does not see any reason to give up the tax payer's money but he wanted to bring this to council's attention. Council needs to check into how many spaces are left and explore whether this is a way to ask for money, but we do not have enough information. We need to go back and reach out to Mr. Heistand for more information. However, the Council saw no immediate reason to forgive the taxpayer's money.

President Mazis stated he has two polices to look over and would like the Public Works committee to look over the rough draft on the sidewalk policy and the second one is the best practices for expectations of council persons. Mazis asked everyone to look over this policy until next month to see if anything needs to be added.

President Mazis asked for a motion to move unused compensated absences to the assigned fund balance. Recommendation was made from the committee with a second by Council member Dalzell. Motion carries unanimously by voice vote.

President Mazis made a motion from the committee to un-commit the \$7,000 for the grant match with a second by Council member Dalzell. Motion carries unanimously by voice vote.

### **Planning/Zoning/Environmental – Bill Dalzell**

Council member Dalzell made a motion to appoint Fred Gabriel by Resolution 26-2018 to the Zoning Hearing Board with a second by Council member Marsh. Motion carries unanimously by voice vote.

Council member Dalzell stated that the committee is in the process of reviewing the permitted uses in the Zoning Ordinance. They focused on the Rail/Trail/River district because it does not match the town's vision. Solicitor Harter cautioned that they need to make sure they do a town wide thing and don't do spot zoning. Dalzell assured him they were looking at the Borough as a whole and not doing spot-zoning. They also had Dave Hannaman from Rivertowns come to the Planning Commission and spoke about historical markers for homes. These would become available to homeowners to purchase to be placed in front of their homes.

### **Public Outreach – Louis McKinney**

Council member McKinney stated he is finished with taking pictures for the campaign trail and will have more time to devote within Marietta. He asked for someone's representation to put Marietta into the Where and When magazine. President Mazis responded that this is the choice of each business in town and their financial expense. Council member Dalzell recommended that McKinney come to the "Our Marietta" meetings.

President Mazis asked that someone from your committee go to the Donegal HUD meetings that deals with poverty in the area and also the Donegal Substance Abuse Alliance.

### **Public Safety – Robert Shambaugh**

Nothing to report.

### **Public Works – Freddy States**

Council member States made a motion to commit \$2000 from the Park & Recreation major equipment budget for a lawnmower for next year with a second by Council member Shambaugh. Motion carries unanimously by voice vote.

Council member States made a motion to commit \$10,000 from Contracted Services – sidewalks from this years' budget with a second by Council member Shambaugh. Motion carries unanimously by voice vote.

Council member States made a motion to re-bid the tar/chip/fog coat for Essex Street, Pajill Drive and Charles with a second by Council member Marsh. Motion carries unanimously by voice vote. It is better to put this bid out before the season gets going.

Council member States made a motion to appoint Steve Shireman to serve another 5 year term to the Marietta Donegal Joint Authority with a second by Council member Shambaugh. Motion carries unanimously by voice vote.

Council member States made a motion to appoint Jeffery Marsh to serve a one year term on the Marietta Donegal Joint Authority with a second by Council member Shambaugh. Motion carries unanimously by voice vote.

Council member States stated that all the signs are up on the trail. They are working on the slow signs for the "S" bend. They are behind on the sewer work and will start this Thursday. He received a letter from the Donegal School District they do not want to mow the park because they don't use the park anymore. Sharon stated that we need to go back and look at why they have this contract to begin with. She will send the documents over to our attorney and let him look over the documents. This is tabled until we have some direction and discuss this further.

### **SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**JOINT SEWER AUTHORITY – Charles Shireman** – There was a force main break and had it taken care of. The permits to replace the force main have been submitted to DEP and waiting for those permits. Once the weather breaks they are looking to move forward.

**NWRT Committee – Glen Mazis** – Nothing new to report.

**C2P2 Committee – Glen Mazis** – Nothing new to report.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Council member Dalzell made a motion to adopt the 2019 budget with a second motion by Council member Shambaugh. Motion carries unanimously by voice vote.

Council member Dalzell made a motion to adopt ordinance 2019-01 fixing the tax rate for 2019 at 5.9 mils with a second by Council member Shambaugh. Motion carries unanimously by voice vote. This means that there is no tax increase for the coming year.

Council member Dalzell made a motion to adopt resolution 27-2018 setting the fee schedule with a second by Council member McKinney. Motion carries unanimously by voice vote.

Council member Dalzell made a motion to adopt resolution 28-2018 modification to the budget with a second by Council member McKinney. Motion carries unanimously by voice vote.

**NEW BUSINESS**

President Mazis stated that he went over the new business during the Administrative part so no other comments.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

No public comment.

President Mazis closed the public comment session.

There being no further business to come before Council, on a motion by Council member Dalzell with a second by Council member McKinney the meeting adjourned at 8:43 PM.

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Respectfully submitted,

Sharon L. Bradnick  
Secretary/Treasurer