

**Marietta Borough Council**  
**Minutes of Budget Workshop held November 4, 2021**  
**113 East Market Street, Marietta, PA**

President Mazis with Council members, Dalzell, Hudson, and Carroll-Baltozer. Absent from the meeting was Council member, McKinney, Marsh, and States. The budget workshop meeting of the Marietta Borough Council started at 7:07 PM.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

No public present.

**BUDGET MEETING**

President Mazis opened the budget meeting and turned the meeting over to the Secretary/Treasurer Bradnick. The Secretary/Treasurer had the packets with the budget sheets for the Council members. The Secretary/Treasurer stated the council's budget sheets show that we now have a balanced budget. The police met this morning and passed their budget. They budgeted to take \$200,000 from their investment account to add to the budget for 2022 that greatly helped the municipalities balance their budgets. Bradnick made the changes to the budget amount. The police budget from last year to this year went up \$11,715. We were still over budget by \$15,942 and anticipate that we have \$136,000 covid relief (grant that Bradnick needs to apply for), for next year. She did not want to put the whole amount in the budget in case we did not receive the whole amount. Under the grant line Bradnick put the \$15,942 in the budget and this balanced the budget. Mazis pointed out that we have time beyond the first year to spend the funds if we do receive the entire amount. Everyone on Council has all the budget sheets. Also, the solid waste contract went up. It went from \$218,000 to \$232,000. We will need to increase the trash billing by \$2.00 per quarter so that we brake even. The sewer side would be going from \$105 to \$109 for the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter and then in the first quarter the sewer would be \$109, and the trash would go up from \$57 to \$59. We will need to pass a resolution for the increase in the trash. The insurance that the Borough holds was recommended by our agent that we keep what we currently have. There will be an increase of 12% on what we currently carry, but compared with changing the policy to another carrier, the increase would be greater, BlueCross is a 17% increase, Geisinger is a 46.7% increase, and United Health was a 14.8% increase. The numbers are reflected in the budget. The final expense budget sheets that Council has, shows where the increase is in the budget along with the percent of budget for that item. Council agreed to the budget and agreed not to raise taxes. Council will also look at passing a resolution to increase the trash rates by \$2.00 per quarter.

Mayor Kulman questioned the final figures in the police budget as to how East Donegal Township's numbers can go down. This is something that the new mayor will have to work on. Maybe the formula can be changed. It is based on time, incidents, population, and mileage according to an algorithm that distributes them by agreed upon percentages.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

No public present.

There being no further business council member Carroll-Baltozer made a motion to adjourn with a second by Council member Hudson at 7:31 PM.

BOROUGH SEAL

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon L. Bradnick  
Secretary/Treasurer