Marietta Borough Council

**Minutes of Meeting held January 11, 2022**

**113 East Market Street, Marietta, PA**

President Hudson with Council members States, Marsh, Miles, DeBottis, Mayor Carroll-Baltozer 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 Dalzell. The meeting opened with a moment of silence followed by the pledge of allegiance.

President Hudson stated that he looks forward to serving as Council President. Glen Mazis was a great example of a public servant who used his time and energy to help this community. He will try to live up to that example. President Hudson is going to try and streamline the meetings. He is going to keep the meetings moving and stay to our three-minute ordinance for speaking.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

No public comment.

**APPOINTMENTS**

President Hudson appointed the committee chairs.

Public Health and Safety the chair will be Jeffery Marsh.

Public Works the chair will be Freddy States.

Public Outreach the chair will be Steven DeBottis.

Administrative Committee the chair will be Jeffrey Hudson.

Planning/Zoning/Environmental the chair will be William Dalzell.

Flood Control Project Committee will be Freddy States and James Sargen.

Public Health and Safety is Jeffery Marsh, Miles Lauver, and Mayor Carroll-Baltozer.

Public Works will be Freddy States, Miles Lauver, vacant seat.

Public Outreach will be Steven DeBottis, William Dalzell, Jeffrey Hudson

Planning/Zoning/Environmental will be William Dalzell, Steven DeBottis, vacant seat.

Administration will be Jeffrey Hudson, Jeffery Marsh, Freddy States.

President Hudson asked for nominations for the Northwest River Trail Representative. Council member States made a nomination to appoint Jeffrey Hudson with a second by Council member DeBottis. Motion carries unanimously by voice vote.

President Hudson asked for nominations for the UCC Appeals Board Representative. Council member Hudson nominated William Dalzell as the UCC Appeals Board Representative with a second by Council member States. Motion carries unanimously by voice vote.

President Hudson nominated Sharon Bradnick as the alternate to the UCC Appeals Board with a second by Council member States. Motion carries unanimously by voice vote.

President Hudson asked for nominations for the Alternate Police Commissioner. Council member States nominated Jeffery Marsh with a second by President Hudson. Motion carries unanimously by voice vote.

President Hudson asked for nominations for the representative for the Marietta/Donegal Joint Sewer Authority. Council member States nominated Jeffery Marsh with a second by Council member DeBottis. Motion carries unanimously by voice vote.

**MINUTES FOR APPROVAL**

President Hudson asked for a motion to approve the December 14th minutes. Council member States made a motion to accept the December 14th minutes with a second by Council member DeBottis. Motion carries unanimously by voice vote.

President Hudson asked for a motion to approve the Reorganization minutes January 4th meeting minutes. Council member DeBottis made a motion to accept the January 4th minutes with a second by Council member Marsh. Motion carries unanimously by voice vote.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

President Hudson declared Rebecca’s Council seat vacant and will be advertised.

President Hudson stated that there is an opening on the Zoning Hearing Board to replace Miles Lauver’s seat.

President Hudson stated that there is an opening on the Planning Commission to replace Steven DeBottis’s seat. These seats will also be advertised.

President Hudson stated that the Lancaster Bicycle Club grant is due by January 31st if we are interested in applying. Secretary Bradnick sent the email over to Council member Dalzell to apply for the grant for a bicycle rack for Furnace Road parking lot.

REPORTS

**Fire Police/EMA – Steve Bailey** – They had a total for December of 11 calls, 24 officers, and 78 duty hours. The total calls for the year were 194 calls 392 officers, and 1,399.25 duty hours. The truck was taken to Ten Four Emergency Vehicle Repair Shop for needed repairs. The truck is back and clean, serviced, and stocked. The officers for Special Fire Police for 2022 are First Lieutenant Ernie Lehman, Second Lieutenant Larry Piersol, Sargent Bill Perkins, and Captain Steve Bailey.

EMA report Bailey went over the incident reports for the whole year. They continued to monitor the Covid 19 virus and posted updates on social media.

**Pioneer Fire Company – Brandon Smith** – Brandon Smith stated for the month of December, the fire company ran 9 fire calls, 7 QRS calls for a total of 16 calls. The officers stayed the same for the year 2022.

**Pioneer Fire Company Financial Statement – Jeffery Marsh** – Council member Marsh reported the balance as of November 30, 2021, was $12,149.65. Council member Marsh made the motion to accept the report as presented with a second by Council member States. Motion carries unanimously by voice vote. Marsh questioned the check to Glick for the tanker repair in the amount of $9,819.12. Chief Smith stated that the tanker is a 1991 and they are trying to keep it in good repair until they are able to buy a new one. Because of its age and used heavily they are saving for a new piece.

**Sewer –Freddy States** – The report dated December 2021. The sewer fund has a savings account balance of $296,672.90 and a checking account balance of $585.65. Council member States motioned to accept the report as presented with a second by Council member Lauver. Motion carries unanimously by voice vote.

**Recycling –Freddy States** – Council member States reported that the recycling report for December was 45,340 pounds recycled, totaling 22.67 tons. Council member States made a motion to accept the report as presented with a second by Council member DeBottis. Motion carries unanimously by voice vote.

**Treasurer – Sharon Bradnick** - The General Fund Monthly Breakdown dated January 11, 2022, was presented. The total general fund accounts are $1,056,649.27. Council member States motioned to approve the report as presented with a second by Council member DeBottis. Motion carries unanimously by voice vote.

**Secretary – Sharon Bradnick** – Council received the profit and loss statements for the month of December. At the end of December, we show that our income is negative $33,524.66 for the month. January through December we have total income of $134,952.19.

Bradnick stated that she transferred $93,000 from the general fund to the Northwest River Trail checking account to pay Shiloh Paving. The general fund will be out this money until we close out the grant and receive the final payment. The Borough has a punch list that Shiloh needs to complete for the project, but it will not be completed until spring. These items are, seeding, putting the plugs in the meadow, installing signs, and fixing the speed tables.

**Zoning Report – Ronald Kistler** – For the month of December he issued 3 permits, 3 follow-up letters and researched seven issues of concern to take before the Planning Commission. These will then come before the Council.

**Vesta Furnace – Dave Haneman –** Haneman stated they had to update the current by-laws to include the last amendments. The mission of Rivertownes PA USA is to cultivate the art, heritage, and recreation of the river towns of Columbia, Marietta, Wrightsville, and the surrounding area. The board is discussing the desire to increase and install more Board members. The size shall try to maintain parity between the three (3) Rivertown communities. They are looking to hold the Rivertown Plein Air Event on April 18-27, and they have forty-seven artist that have applied the first week. Riverfest will be June 24-26. Riverfest would like to involve Marietta in a Friday night event.

**Mayor’s Report – Rebecca Carroll-Baltozer –** Mayor Carroll-Baltozer thanked everyone for voting for her. She went to the Fire Police meeting, these gentlemen put in roughly 300 hours each for last year, which is a lot. This helped our community so a big shout out to them.

**STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Administrative – President Hudson

President Hudson stated that he has not held a meeting.

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

Council member Dalzell was not present they did not meet last month.

**Public Outreach – Steven DeBottis**

Council member DeBottis was assigned as chair to this committee and has a meeting coming up.

**Public Safety – Jeffery Marsh**

Council member Marsh stated they did not hold a meeting last month. They are working on a electric vehicle ordinance.

**Public Works – Freddy States**

Council member States stated that they did not have a meeting.

**SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**JOINT SEWER AUTHORITY – Jeffery Marsh –** The Sewer Authority met on December 28th. They are working on getting estimates for ground study, which has to do with the power surge. White Rudy was retained as their auditor.

**NWRT Committee –Jeffrey Hudson –** Nothing new, the next meeting is in April.

**Shade Tree Committee – Bill Dalzell –** Was not present. Linda Ross stated that they will need another member since John Enterline moved.

OLD BUSINESS

No new business.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Sharon Bradnick welcomed the new Council members. She invited them to come into the office and meet with her and Ronda if they have any questions. They have their keys which will allow them to get into the building for meetings and to retrieve their Council meeting packets in their mailboxes the Friday before the Council meeting.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Glen Orr welcomed the new Council members and invited them to come out to the shop and look at what we have. They are on Walnut Street by War Memorial Park.

There being no further business before Council, on a motion by Council member States with a second by Council member Marsh, the meeting adjourned at 8:00 PM.

BOROUGH SEAL Respectfully submitted,

Sharon L. Bradnick

Secretary/Treasurer