

**Marietta Borough Council**  
**Minutes of Meeting held March 8, 2022**  
**113 East Market Street, Marietta, PA**

President Hudson with Council members States, Marsh, Lauver, DeBottis, Dalzell, Mayor Carroll-Baltozer, and Solicitor Harter present, called the regularly scheduled monthly meeting of the Marietta Borough Council to order at 7:00 PM. The meeting opened with a moment of silence followed by the pledge of allegiance.

Mayor Carroll-Baltozer sworn in our new Council member Joshua Wills. Joshua Wills took his seat at the Council table.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Charles Shireman – American Legion – Mr. Shireman stated now that the banner program in town is coming to an end due to increase in cost. The program has been a success, they have over 200 banners throughout town. Mr. Shireman showed Council a picture of a mural that the American Legion would like to have placed on the side of the American Legion building. Mr. Shireman would like to invite Council members to participate in the Memorial Day Parade.

Linda Ross – Fairview Avenue – Marietta Art Live will be having a Quick Draw for two hours on April 23. At the end of the event, they will have an hour to get the picture framed and put up on easels. They will then be displayed in Premier Linen parking lot. The boundary will be from Gay Street to Perry Street, on West Market Street and would like to have that area of the street close from 9:30 am to 3:00 pm. Council member DeBottis stated this will be voted on later in the meeting.

**MINUTES FOR APPROVAL**

President Hudson asked for a motion to approve the February 8<sup>th</sup> minutes. Council member States made a motion to accept the February 8<sup>th</sup> minutes with a second by Council member Lauver. Motion carries unanimously by voice vote.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

President Hudson stated that the PSAB 110<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference will be May 22 – 25 in Hershey. If anyone on Council would like to go to please let Sharon know. Next month we will vote for our voting delegate that will represent Marietta Borough at the PSAB Conference.

**REPORTS**

**Fire Police/EMA – Steve Bailey** – They had for February a total of 13 calls, 29 officers, and 84 duty hours. The fire police truck is repaired and ready for service. They are in serious need of volunteers to join the Fire Police.

EMA report Bailey stated that the river ice watching season for this year has ended. Brian P. Pasquale is our new EMA Director for Lancaster County.

**Pioneer Fire Company – Brandon Smith** – No one present.

**Pioneer Fire Company Financial Statement – Jeffery Marsh** – Council member Marsh reported the balance as of January 31, 2022, was \$1,053.47. Council member Marsh made the motion to accept the report as presented with a second by Council member DeBottis. Motion carries

unanimously by voice vote.

**Sewer – Freddy States** – The report dated February 2022. The sewer fund has a savings account balance of \$316,578.40 and a checking account balance of \$673.16. 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** – Council member States reported that the recycling report for January was 24,120 pounds recycled, totaling 12.06 tons. Council member States made a motion 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 February 8, 2022, was presented. The total general fund accounts are \$1,158,087.21. Council member States motioned to approve the report as presented with a second by Council member DeBottis. Motion carries unanimously by voice vote.

The General Fund Monthly Breakdown dated March 8, 2022, was presented. The total general fund accounts are \$1,045,153.97. Council member States motioned to approve the report as presented with a second by Council member Dalzell. Motion carries unanimously by voice vote.

**Secretary – Sharon Bradnick** – Council received the profit and loss statements for the month of February. At the end of February, we show that our income is \$16,482.25 for the month. January through February we have negative income of \$23,314.68.

Bradnick stated that Rivertownes gave us a quote in the amount of \$782.17 for an informational exhibit to be placed on the trail by the Musselman Vista building so that people walking on the trail have visual information on what they are looking at regarding the pillars. DCNR asked that we possibly have something put up. Council stated that this is inexpensive and that we should move forward on this.

**Zoning Report – Ronald Kistler** – For the month of February he issued 1 zoning permit and 2 building permits. Placed a call to Chad at C.S. Davidson in reference to Mr. and Mrs. Heistand's right of way. This was completed and sent to the attorney for recording. Kistler conducted a reinspection for the housing officer. A letter was written and sent to the owner to make corrections. A zoning application was put in by Riverside Foundry for a fence to put in a "dog park". This is located within the floodplain, and we need additional information. There is a punch list that is still outstanding that needs to be completed for the 421 projects. Kistler addressed other complaints. He also addressed other inquires for business and residential permitted uses on properties that are available within the Borough from real estate agents.

**Vesta Furnace – Dave Haneman** – Haneman stated that for the 2022 River Towns Plein Air event currently has 92 Artists that have registered. They will narrow this down to 60 Artist. Lennie has completed the bricking of the basement at Musselman Vest building. The concrete piers have had the poison ivy removed. The Vesta will start to be open on the weekends around the end of March. Lancaster County Parks Homeschoolers will be at the Musselman Vesta building on March 22.

**Mayor's Report – Rebecca Carroll-Baltozer** – Mayor Carroll-Baltozer thanked Ronda Ney for taking care of everything while Sharon was off. Mayor also thanked Gene Nagel for volunteering his time for 57 years with the Fire Police. Mayor did her first proclamation honoring Mary Churchill for turning 100 years old March 1<sup>st</sup>. The CBC Church had a celebration for their

missioners in Marietta Borough. The Police hired a new officer, his name is Cole Horn.

## **STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **Administrative – President Hudson**

President Hudson stated that their meeting was spent on hiring a new employee for the road crew. We needed to do this right away. We had this advertised in the Lancaster Newspaper twice and in the Merchandiser three times, and it was placed on the Marietta Borough Facebook page. They would like to hire someone by May 1. Till Glenn leaves in July, we can use the new hire to mow and train. The labor market is very stuff right now. He had a meeting with Ryan Aument last week and he stated that the biggest item that municipalities are up against is finding people to work in local government. This is County wide.

President Hudson stated that they also discussed the possibilities on what we can do with this building on the second floor. It needs to be updated and it is beautiful. To have this fixed up we need to reach out to the community to see what they would like to use it for. To be able to address the needs of the community we won't be able to get the money to just fix it up. We won't be able to afford it. We would have to get an organization that can use this space and have them invest the money into it. Hudson contacted his nephew who is a historian for the state of New Jersey. His nephew gave him a website for Pennsylvania. They do have some money available to fix Historic Buildings but there is a lot of people putting in for these types of projects. We are open for suggestions.

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

Council member Dalzell stated they met and discussed the golf cart ordinance and the temporary dumpster ordinance. This will be on the agenda for next month. They also discussed electric vehicle ordinance. The Planning Commission is working on Airbnb's and how to address them.

### **Public Outreach – Steven DeBottis**

President Hudson stated that he would like to ask for a motion to amend the agenda to add the Plein Air Quick Draw event application to the agenda. Motion to add the Plein Air Quick Draw application to the agenda by Council member States with a second by Council member Dalzell. Motion carries unanimously by voice vote. The reason for amendment was due to the application came in after the agenda was published.

Council member DeBottis stated he has no committee report.

Council member DeBottis ask for a motion to accept the Special Event Application for Biking for Brittany. Council member States made the motion with a second by Council member Dalzell. Motion carries unanimously by voice vote.

Council member DeBottis made a motion to accept the Special Event Application for the Easter Egg Hunt with a second by Council member States. Motion carries unanimously by voice vote.

Council member DeBottis made a motion to accept the Special Event Application for the Easter Sunday Outdoor Service at Flannigan Park with a second by Council member Dalzell. Motion carries unanimously by voice vote.

Council member DeBottis made a motion to accept the Special Event Application for the DBSA

Baseball Practice at War Memorial Park with a second by Council member States with a condition of submitting their insurance. Motion carries unanimously by voice vote.

Council member DeBottis made a motion to accept the Special Event Application for Marietta Fireworks for Saturday, July 2 with a second by Council member States. Motion carries unanimously by voice vote.

Council member DeBottis made a motion to accept the Special Event Application for the Plein Air event on April 23 they are requesting to close W. Market St from Perry St to Gay St from 9:30 am to 3:00 pm. With a second from Council member States.

### **Public Safety – Jeffery Marsh**

Council member Marsh stated they did not hold a meeting last month due to sickness and a lack of quorum. They are still working on the electric car ordinance.

### **Public Works – Freddy States**

Council member States stated they met this evening and we are having street sweeping on May 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> and then on May 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> will be crack sealing. They also discussed hiring a new employee before Glenn retires in the middle of July. They discussed parking lots on Furnace Road. The trail was very busy and people are parking on the trail itself. So we need to put in another parking lot.

### **Executive Session**

President Hudson asked for an executive session to go over some litigation matters that the Borough is undertaking.

Council dismissed for an executive session at 8:12 PM  
Council reconvened from an executive session at 8:19 PM

Solicitor Harter informed Council of a ongoing piece of litigation, with no vote taken while in the executive session.

### **SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**JOINT SEWER AUTHORITY – Jeffery Marsh** – The Sewer Authority is running smoothly. They are still accepting applications for the paving. The Sewer Authority's insurance asked to get quotes to remove trees around the sewer plant property.

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

**Shade Tree Committee – Bill Dalzell** – They met, and they have openings on the Shade Tree Committee. They received a letter from Lillian Hill to serve on the committee. Council member Dalzell made a motion to accept Lillian Hill to the Shade Tree Committee with a second by Council member States. Motion carries unanimously by voice vote.

Council member Dalzell stated that they discussed the tree senses that they been working on. The senses has lots of information. He reached out to Lori Yeich to supply us with a more complete senses that could be very effective. He wants to get some trees planted this year. The Lancaster Conservation is having a plant sale and orders need to be in by March 14<sup>th</sup>.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

No old business.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Bradnick stated that we received a grant to do a park plan for War Memorial Park. In the past we had YSM, Ann Yost, do the park plans for Front Street Park, Tot Lot Park and Chestnut Street Park. We need to hire someone to put together the plans for War Memorial Park and Bradnick is asking that we hire Ann Yost's firm YSM. Council member States made a motion to hire YSM to do the initial planning for War Memorial Park with a second by Council member DeBottis. Motion carries unanimously by voice vote.

Bradnick stated that she would like to have ARRO to be the engineer for the project on Furnace Road and the trail on Front Street since they helped us put in for the grant. Solicitor Harter stated that Council should wait till we see what their fee structure and scope of work is for the project before we approve them for the project.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Glen Orr stated that he forgot to bring up in the Public Works meeting that they will be pressure washing the trail bridge at the boat club

Linda Ross asked if anyone turned in a letter to serve on the Planning Commission. Bradnick stated that no letter has been submitted as of Council meeting.

Peter Anger – Donegal Braves – Peter asked if there will be public involvement for the grant plans for War Memorial Park. Bradnick stated that there would be community involvement and asked if he would like to be on the stakeholder committee.

There being no further business before Council, on a motion by Council member Dalzell with a second by Council member States, the meeting adjourned at 8:34 PM.

BOROUGH SEAL

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon L. Bradnick  
Secretary/Treasurer