

**Marietta Borough Council**  
**Minutes of Meeting held April 12, 2022**  
**113 East Market Street, Marietta, PA**

President Hudson with Council members States, Marsh, Lauver, Wills, Mayor Carroll-Baltozer, and Solicitor Miller 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 and DeBottis. The meeting opened with a moment of silence followed by the pledge of allegiance.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

Public Hearing for Stormwater (MS4) requirements – Andrew Tuleya – Prior to the regular scheduled meeting Andrew Tuleya of ARRO Consulting provided a public update regarding the Borough's MS4/Stormwater Permit. This update included public information about MS4 permit requirements, information, activities, and other associated topics regarding stormwater. A copy of the presentation was placed on the Borough website, along with two new stormwater brochures.

Carl Jones – W. Market St. – Carl asked if residents are grandfathered in on stormwater. Reason he was asking is because Strube's property has recreational vehicles parked in the rear and that area floods. He was wondering if that was allowed.

Linda Ross – Fairview Ave. – What do street trees do regarding stormwater management? Andrew stated that trees don't give much credit. They would also need to be maintained and in regards to stormwater management it would not be worth it for the Borough.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

No other public comment.

**MINUTES FOR APPROVAL**

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

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

No new announcements.

**REPORTS**

**Fire Police/EMA – Steve Bailey** – They had for March a total of 7 calls, 16 officers, and 66.5 duty hours. Due to recent incidents of first responders being struck and injured and killed on the road, many units will no longer use the D-file system while at an emergency. He will no longer permit one lane of traffic to drive past working emergency vehicles. The road will now be closed until emergency responders are finished. The fire police truck is in the garage with some major issues. They are waiting for a report.

EMA report Bailey stated that June 2022 will be the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Hurricane Agnes. Bailey was notified by Channel 8. They would like to look at some of his photos. They are doing a special on the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary. He would like to give them a tour around town of all the improvements that have taken place in the 50 years.

**Pioneer Fire Company – Bryon Smith** – They ran twenty (20) fire calls and seven (7) QRS calls for a total of twenty-seven (27) calls for March. They need new members. They have meat bingo coming up.

**Pioneer Fire Company Financial Statement – Jeffery Marsh** – Council member Marsh reported the balance as of February 28, 2022, was \$2,234.53. 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.

**Sewer –Freddy States** – The report dated March 2022. The sewer fund has a savings account balance of \$222,298.01 and a checking account balance of \$1,311.70. 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 February was 22,920 pounds recycled, totaling 11.46 tons. Council member States made a motion to accept the report as presented with a second by Council member Marsh. Motion carries unanimously by voice vote.

**Treasurer – Sharon Bradnick** – The General Fund Monthly Breakdown dated April 12, 2022, was presented. The total general fund accounts are \$1,028,740.99. Council member States motioned to approve the report as presented with a second by Council member Marsh. Motion carries unanimously by voice vote.

**Secretary – Sharon Bradnick** – Council received the profit and loss statements for the month of March. At the end of March, we show that our income is \$25,292.99 for the month. January through March we have income of \$1,978.31.

Sharon stated that the auditors should be in next month to close out the audit.

**Vesta Furnace – Dave Haneman** – Haneman stated they met and spoke about River Fest. The artist will be coming in on Monday for the Plein Air. There will be a meet and greet at the Musselman Vesta next Friday for the artist. They are working on the RiverFest for June 24 to June 26. Rivertownes' updated their insurance with Murray Insurance. They had a group of homeschoolers come and visit the Musselman Vista and more are to come in this week. The panel is being worked on to be placed on the trail.

**Mayor's Report – Rebecca Carroll-Baltozer** – Mayor Carroll-Baltozer thanked Lieutenant Hall for serving 20 years with Susquehanna Regional Police. Baltozer sat on a panel for Leadership Lancaster, which is for future leaders of Lancaster County. They spoke about the importance of public policy. Baltozer is also going to do a ride along with the police department this month.

## **STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **Administrative – President Hudson**

President Hudson stated that their meeting was a little longer. The Borough put in sidewalks on Fairview Avenue and the owner came in to speak with the committee because the owner does not feel that the payment is appropriate. This will be discussed by council on how to proceed. The committee also discussed the potential hire.

President Hudson stated that we have a Memorandum of Understanding from the Lancaster

County Conservation District. They made some small changes, the attorney looked over things and everything is in order. Council member States made a motion to accept the MOU with LCCD, with a second by Council member Wills. Motion carries unanimously by voice vote.

President Hudson stated that we need to appoint a voting delegate for the PSAB Conference. Council member Lauver made a motion to appoint Freddy States as our voting delegate with a second by council member Marsh. Motion carries unanimously by voice vote.

President Hudson stated that we have Resolution 19-2022 to do an exemption to the Liquor Control Board for Noise Control. We get better enforcement using our police. Council member States recused himself on voting. Council member Marsh made the motion with a second from Council member Lauver. Motion carries unanimously by voice vote.

President Hudson stated that we advertised in the newspaper, on-line, Merchandiser, Facebook, and our website. We had applications and the administrative committee went through the applications and then we interviewed. Unfortunately, we had one applicant that tore his ACL before the interview and that put him out of the interview process. We decided on a gentleman by the name of Harold Trout. He had good references and worked for Turkey Hill. President Hudson made the motion to move forward and hire Harold Trout with a start date of May 2, with a second by Council member States. Motion carries unanimously by voice vote.

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

Council member Dalzell was not present.

Council member States stated that we had Eugene Hilton put in an application to serve on the Planning Commission. States made the motion to appoint Eugene Hilton to the Planning Commission with a second by Council member Lauver. Motion carries unanimously by voice vote.

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

Council member DeBottis was not present.

#### **Public Safety – Jeffery Marsh**

Council member Marsh stated they had a discussion on electric vehicle charging stations. He would like to move forward with creating a draft ordinance that needs to take place in the near future on electric vehicle charging stations. The Borough needs to get ahead of this.

#### **Public Works – Freddy States**

Council member States stated that the new hire will start May 2<sup>nd</sup>. This will allow him to learn things before Glenn retires. States said that Hickernell reached out to him to see if we need any grant money for parks. Dave Hickernell got us a grant from DCNR in the amount of \$200,000. What we would like to do with this grant is to redo the tennis courts and remodeling the restrooms at War Memorial Park. If there is money left over they would like to put this towards the concession stand.

Council member States made a motion to accept the resolution for DCNR Grant in the amount of \$200,000 for War Memorial Park with a second by Council member Lauver. Motion carries unanimously by voice vote.

Council member States stated that the other big project that we are working on is the rest of

Furnace Road, Tot Lot and the trail running along the Front Street Park. We need to hire an engineering firm to put this project together. We have been using ARRO for a lot of work here in the Borough. ARRO put together a cost basis to do the engineering fees which total around \$90,000 but this was priced out as if the projects are separate. There are a lot of duplicate costs in the quote and if everything is done at the same time these duplicate costs would go away and would bring the cost down to around \$60,000. States made a motion to hire ARRO Consulting as the engineer for the Furnace Rd/Front Street project with a second by Council member Wills. Motion carries unanimously by voice vote.

They met earlier with Steve Shireman with the Marietta-Donnegal Joint Authority. They are having issues with trees coming down around the sewer plant. The trees are on Marietta property and would like to have the trees trimmed. He is going down to look at this area tomorrow.

States stated that street sweeping is May 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>. On May 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> we will be crack sealing the streets. Look for the signs.

States stated that the apartment complex at 421 W. Market Street reached out that they have at least 300 cars coming and going and they would like to have a four way stop sign placed at West Market Street and Bridge Street. We can not use stop signs as a traffic calming. We can reach back out to them to have them do a traffic study.

### **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 8:11 PM  
Council reconvened from an executive session at 8:24 PM

Solicitor Miller informed the public that the executive session was to discuss strategy on a 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 had a discussion earlier on the tree trimming. They are also waiting for a third estimate for the paving on the entrance to the plant.

**NWRT Committee –Jeffrey Hudson** – Nothing new, the meeting is April 23.

**Shade Tree Committee – Bill Dalzell** – Not present.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

No old business.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

No new business.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Steve Shireman asked for further clarification on the noise ordinance through the PLC. States stated that this is just for noise. When the PLC monitors the noise, they never come out and then the neighbors are never satisfied. The bar will then get a letter and most likely a fine. If someone calls PLC then they tell the complainant that it is dealt with locally. They would then need to call Susquehanna Regional Police.

LuAnn Fahndrich – Introduced herself that she is one of the candidates that is running for the 98<sup>th</sup> District. Dave Hickernell is retiring. She is from this area and her mother lives in Marietta.

There being no further business before Council, on a motion by Council member States with a second by Council member Lauver, the meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM.

BOROUGH SEAL

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon L. Bradnick  
Secretary/Treasurer