

January 3, 2022

The regular meeting of the Marcus Hook Borough Council was held on Monday evening January 3, 2022, 7:00 PM, in Council Chambers.

OATH OF OFFICE

Magisterial District Judge David Griffin administered the oath of office to Mayor Gene Taylor, Councilors Cheryl Everngham, Joseph Flynn, Brian Mercadante, and Tax Collector Jillian Hudson.

CALL TO ORDER

Gene Taylor, Mayor, called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL

Present were Councilors William Cox, Cheryl Everngham, Paula Ewing, Joseph Flynn, Josephine Laird, Michael Manerchia, and Brian Mercadante. Also present were Mayor Gene Taylor and Borough Manager Andrew Weldon.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by _____ second by _____ to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the last meeting and that they stand as written. All in favor.

COUNCIL AND BOROUGH REORGANIZATION

Mayor Taylor stated that this was a reorganization meeting and requested nominations for President and Vice-President of Council.

Motion by _____ to nominate _____ as President of Borough Council. All in favor.

Motion by _____ to nominate _____ as Vice-President of Borough Council. All in favor.

Motion by _____ to nominate _____ as President Pro Tem who will preside in the event that both the President and Vice-President are absent from a meeting at which there is still a quorum. All in favor.

Motion by _____ to nominate Robert Kersey as Chairman of the Vacancy Board. All in favor.

Councilor _____ advanced a motion continuing the appointment of Mark P. Much as Borough Solicitor. Motion was seconded by _____. All in favor.

Councilor _____ advanced a motion continuing the appointment of Charles J. Catania, Jr. as Borough Engineer. Motion was seconded by _____. All in favor.

Councilor _____ advanced a motion continuing the appointment of Michelle Fanelli as Health Officer until Delaware County's Health Department assumes this role for the Borough of Marcus Hook. Motion was seconded by _____. All in favor.

APPROVAL OF RECEIPT VOUCHER

Manager advised that the receipt voucher for the month of December totaled \$ _____. Motion by _____ second by _____ to receive and deposit. All in favor.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Manager advised that the Borough renewed its 2022 Workers' Compensation, Employer's Liability and Heart and Lung/Act 477 coverages effective January 1, 2022, at a premium rate of \$_____, a \$_____ increase/decrease from the previous year primarily attributable to a decrease in the Borough's Experience Modification Factor. Motion by _____ second by _____ to record and file. All in favor.

Manager presented Borough Resolution No. R-22-1, a Fee Schedule Resolution, authorizing fees and charges pursuant to the codified ordinances of the Borough and/or as allowed under Pennsylvania state law. Motion by _____ second by _____ to adopt Resolution No. R-22-1. All in favor.

Manager presented Borough Resolution No. R-22-2, a Resolution appointing a voting delegate as well as an alternate voting delegate to the Delaware County Tax Collection Committee, which oversees the collection and disbursement of local Earned Income Taxes in accordance with Act 32 of 2008. Motion by _____ second by _____ to adopt Resolution No. R-22-2. All in favor.

Manager presented Borough Resolution No. R-22-3, a Resolution of the Borough of Marcus Hook updating the Borough's Official Sewage Facilities Plan, an Act 537 Update. Motion by _____ second by _____ to adopt Resolution No. R-22-3. All in favor.

Manager mentioned that the Fall/Winter 2022 edition of the Marcus Hook News was distributed on December XX, 2021. The printing was the 64th edition of this publication since its inception in 1983. Motion _____ second by _____ to record and file. All in favor.

Manager presented the Monthly Code Enforcement Report for the month of December, 2021. Motion by _____ second by _____ to receive and file the Monthly Code Enforcement Report. All in favor.

PUBLIC SAFETY

Mayor Taylor presented the Police Report and related statistics for the month of December, 2021. Motion by _____ second by _____ to receive and file the Mayor's Public Safety Report. All in favor.

Mayor Taylor recommended the reappointment of the following part time police officers for 2022: John Kuryan, Christopher Reynolds, Matthew Elliott, Justin Fornwalt, Justin Major, Jeremy Baker, Jose Rivera, and Chad Grzesnikowski. Motion by _____ second by _____ to reappoint the above-named part time police officers for 2022.

PARKS, RECREATION and SHADE TREES

Manager reported that the Recreation and Park Board's Brunch with Santa Event was held on December 18, 2021. Over ___ Borough children received gifts. Motion by _____ second by _____ to record and file. All in favor.

Letter received from the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection, dated December 1, 2021, advising that the Coastal Zone Grant Application submitted for the Market Square Memorial Park Delaware River Pier Removal and Reconstruction Master Plan, had been approved for funding by the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAH), in the amount of \$40,000. Motion by _____ second by _____ to receive and file. All in favor.

COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Manager reported that the Borough's Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program application (48th Year / FY 2022) for the Viscose Village Streetscape Project was submitted to the Delaware County Office of Housing and Community Development on December 16, 2021. CDBG funds requested totaled \$218,000 based on the construction cost estimate for streetscape work on Cedar Street from Pine to Chestnut Street. Motion by _____ second by _____ to record and file. All in favor.

Manager reported that a demolition permit application has been received from Alliance Environmental Systems, Inc. for the asbestos remediation and demolition of buildings 1, 2, 3, 6, 7, and 13 on the East 10th Street/FMC Site. The Land Development/Lot Consolidation plan for this site was conditionally approved by Borough Council at the meeting on November 9, 2021. Motion by _____ second by _____ to record and file. All in favor.

COUNCIL REPORTS

Motion by _____ second by _____ to reappoint the following individuals to various boards and commissions: Stacy Yates and Tameka Gibson to the Recreation and Park Board - 5 year term expiring December 31, 2026; Debra Johanning to the Library Board - 3 year term expiring December 31, 2024; William Cox to the Planning Commission - 4 year term expiring December 31, 2025; Charles Schiliro to the Zoning Hearing Board – 5 year term expiring December 31, 2026; Michael Manerchia and Virginia Hughes to the Historical Commission – 2 year term expiring December 31, 2023. All in favor.

There are currently vacancies on the following boards/commissions: One vacancy on the Library Board – 3 year term, meet quarterly. Two vacancies on the Shade Tree Commission – 3 year term, meet as needed. Three vacancies on the Historical Commission – 2 year term, meet monthly.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF BOROUGH BILLS

Manager advised that the payment voucher for the time period from December 7, 2021 through January 3, 2022 totaled \$_____. Motion by _____ second by _____ to approve payment of Borough bills. All in favor.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by _____ second by _____ to adjourn. All in favor. Meeting was adjourned at 7:___ PM.

Andrew Weldon
Borough Secretary