

October 5, 2026

The regular meeting of the Marcus Hook Borough Council was held on Tuesday evening October 5, 2026, at 7:00 PM, in Council Chambers.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Council President C. Everngham, called the meeting to order.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ROLL CALL**

Present were Councilors Cheryl Everngham, John Johnson, Larry Killinen, Josephine Laird, Michael Manerchia, Lauren Ottinger and Janette Weigand. 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.

**APPROVAL OF RECEIPT VOUCHER**

The Borough Manager advised that the receipt voucher for the month of September 2026, totaled \$\_\_\_\_\_. Motion by \_\_\_\_\_ second by \_\_\_\_\_ to receive and deposit. All in favor.

**APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF BOROUGH BILLS**

The Borough Manager advised that the payment voucher for the period from September 9, 2026 through October 5, 2026, totaled \$\_\_\_\_\_. Motion by \_\_\_\_\_ second by \_\_\_\_\_ to approve payment of Borough bills. All in favor.

**SPECIAL PRESENTATION**

Mayor Taylor and Borough Council wish to express their sincerest appreciation by way of a special plaque presentation to commend the efforts of Marcus Hook Police Officers – Joshua DiSylvestro and Ginger Dunbar, and Marcus Hook Trainer Fire Department Firefighter/Highway Department Employee – Jake Persing, for their courageous and selfless actions on the night of July 7, 2026 during a fire in an apartment at the Star Bar and Hotel. Their actions directly contributed to mitigating the fire and preventing further injury or property destruction.

**GENERAL GOVERNMENT**

Manager presented for ratification, change order number 1 from Ernel Company, Inc. for streetscape work on Walnut Street from 10<sup>th</sup> Street to Dalton Lane for changes in quantities of concrete curb, walk, wearing course milling and resurfacing, 4’ high chain link and 6’ high privacy fence, and concrete steps in the total amount of \$27,923.50. The Office of Housing and Community Development has approved the request to cover this change order. Motion by \_\_\_\_\_ second by \_\_\_\_\_ to approve change order number 1 from Ernel Company, Inc. for the streetscape work on Walnut Street from 10<sup>th</sup> Street to Dalton Lane. All in favor.

Manager announced that in recognition of Breast Cancer Awareness month the Borough of Marcus Hook will be accepting donations to help raise breast cancer awareness that will be collected through the month of October and will be remitted to the Breast Cancer Research Foundation. Donations can be made at the Municipal Building at 1111 Market Street. Motion by \_\_\_\_\_ second by \_\_\_\_\_ to collect donations on behalf of Breast Cancer Awareness month and remit the gross receipts at month-end to the Breast Cancer Research Foundation. All in favor.

Manager presented amendment 2 to the Pipeline Easement Agreement, for a 6" nitrogen gas pipeline along 4<sup>th</sup> Street, between the Brough of Marcus Hook and Messer North America, Inc. This amendment extends the easement agreement for an additional five years, until 2031, in exchange for an annual fee to the Borough of Marcus Hook in the amount of \$25,000 per year. Motion by \_\_\_\_\_ second by \_\_\_\_\_ to approve and execute amendment 2 to the pipeline easement agreement between the Borough of Marcus Hook and Messer North America, Inc. All in favor.

State Representative Carol Kazeem announced that the Borough of Marcus Hook has been awarded the following Local Share Account grants approved and distributed from the Commonwealth Financing Authority: \$200,000 for renovations to the Curt Weldon Community Center, \$100,000 for the MHTFD to replace self-contained breathing apparatuses, and \$50,399 for the Marcus Hook Police Department to replace tasers. Motion by \_\_\_\_\_ second by \_\_\_\_\_ to receive and file. All in favor.

Manager requested an unbudgeted allocation from the Capital Reserve fund in the amount of \$5,490 for Phoenix Security to move and secure camera equipment and related data transmission lines atop 1015 Green Street, as well as \$4,000 for T.A.G. Home Remodeling & Masonry LLC to repoint the chimney and problem areas along the back wall of 1015 Green Street. Motion by \_\_\_\_\_ second by \_\_\_\_\_ to approve an unbudgeted allocation of \$5,490 for Phoenix Security and \$4,000 for T.A.G. Home Remodeling & Masonry LLC. All in favor.

Manager requested Borough Council's approval to apply for a Local Share Account grant in the upcoming round of grant submissions, closing on November 30, 2026, in the amount of \$1,000,000 to help offset the cost of stormwater improvements on Green Street/Market Street. Presented was Borough Resolution No R-26-13. Motion by \_\_\_\_\_ second by \_\_\_\_\_ to approve Resolution No R-26-13 in support of the Borough of Marcus Hook's application to the Local Share Account grant program closing on November 30, 2026. All in favor.

## **ENGINEERING**

Manager presented the Engineering Report for the month of September, 2026. Motion by \_\_\_\_\_ second by \_\_\_\_\_ to receive and file the Engineering Report. All in favor.

## **CODE ENFORCEMENT**

Manager presented the Code Enforcement Report for the month of September, 2026. Motion by \_\_\_\_\_ second by \_\_\_\_\_ to receive and file the Code Enforcement Report. All in favor.

## **PUBLIC SAFETY**

Mayor Taylor presented the Police Report and related statistics for the month of September, 2026. Motion by \_\_\_\_\_ second by \_\_\_\_\_ to receive and file the Mayor's Public Safety Report. All in favor.

Mayor Taylor announced Breakfast with a Badge, which is an opportunity for residents to get to know officers from the Marcus Hook Police Department over breakfast. Breakfast with a Badge will take place on Saturday, October 10<sup>th</sup> from 9AM to 11AM at Cokesbury United Methodist Church. This event was sponsored by Energy Transfer. Motion by \_\_\_\_\_ second by \_\_\_\_\_ to receive and file. All in favor.

Chief Ireland presented a request for Council authorization to pursue a public or private grant or contribution from the Grant Leahy Bulletproof Vest Partnership through the US Department of Justice Office of Justice Programs for the purchase of bulletproof vests for new hires or officers whose vests have expired. This grant program will cover up to 50% of the purchase price of a new bulletproof vest. Motion by \_\_\_\_\_ second by \_\_\_\_\_ to approve Chief Ireland's grant request for the Grant Leahy Bulletproof Vest Partnership through the Department of Justice Office of Justice Programs. All in favor.

Chief Ireland requested Borough Council's approval to apply for a Local Share Account grant in the upcoming round of grant submissions, closing on November 30, 2026, in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ to help offset the cost of camera upgrades to the boroughwide camera system. Presented was Borough Resolution No R-26-14. Motion by \_\_\_\_\_ second by \_\_\_\_\_ to approve Resolution No R-26-14 in support of the Marcus Hook Police Department's application to the Local Share Account grant program closing on November 30, 2026. All in favor.

### **HIGHWAY**

Manager reminded residents that there is a Boroughwide cleanup day scheduled for Saturday, October 10<sup>th</sup>. Additionally, the Borough is hosting a bulk trash day on the 10<sup>th</sup> at the Highway Garage from 10AM – 12PM. Residents, with proof of residency, will be eligible to dispose of one bulk trash item, free television disposals, and free shredding. Motion by \_\_\_\_\_ second by \_\_\_\_\_ to receive and file. All in favor.

### **FIRE**

Councilor L. Killinen presented the Fire Report and related statistics for the month of September, 2026. Motion by \_\_\_\_\_ second by \_\_\_\_\_ to receive and file the Fire Report. All in favor.

Borough Manager presented the Fire Marshal's Report for the month of September, 2026. Motion by \_\_\_\_\_ second by \_\_\_\_\_ to receive and file the Fire Marshal's Report. All in favor.

### **LIBRARY**

Councilor J. Weigand presented the Library Report for the month of September, 2026. Motion by \_\_\_\_\_ second by \_\_\_\_\_ to receive and file the Library Report. All in favor.

### **HISTORY**

The Marcus Hook Preservation Society was positively acknowledged for coordinating the Pirate Festival held on September 19, 2026 at Market Square Memorial Park. The event was well attended and was a success. Motion by \_\_\_\_\_ second by \_\_\_\_\_ to record and file. All in favor.

### **PLANNING AND ZONING**

Manager presented the first reading of Borough Ordinance No. O-26-3, which would amend the Borough Code, Chapter 196 Zoning, to provide regulations of data centers and related uses within the HI – Heavy Industrial Zoning District. Motion by \_\_\_\_\_ second by \_\_\_\_\_ to submit for review and comment, Ordinance O-26-3, to the Borough of Marcus Hook and Delaware County Planning Departments, with a public hearing to be established after comments are received from the respective planning departments. All in favor.

### **COUNCIL REPORTS**

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

## **ADJOURNMENT**

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

Andrew Weldon  
Borough Manager