

MOUNT JOY BOROUGH COUNCIL
April 4, 2022, Minutes

The Mount Joy Borough Council held its regular meeting on April 4, 2022.

President Hall called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Roll Call- Present were Councilors, Dominic Castaldi, David Eichler, Lu Ann Fahndrich, Mary Ginder, Bruce Haigh, Eric Roering, Bob Ruschke, Brian Youngerman, President Hall and Mayor Bradley, Jr. Staff present were Borough Manager, Mark G. Pugliese I; Public Works Director, Dennis Nissley; Codes and Zoning Officer, Stacie Gibbs; Police Chief, Robert Goshen and Administrative Assistant, Lisa Peffley. Absent was Assistant Borough Manager/Finance Director, Jill Frey.

Mayor Timothy Bradley, Jr gave the invocation, and the Pledge of Allegiance followed.

President Hall announced there will be an Executive Session at the end of this meeting as noted in Item 19 to discuss a legal and personnel matter.

On a **MOTION** by Eichler, and a second by Roering, a request was made to accept the agenda for the April 4, 2022, Borough Council meeting. *Motion carries unanimously.*

Public Input Period

Ned Sterling, 13 W Main St., asked if the Borough Manager got a chance to follow up on the Right to Know Request regarding demolish permits. Sterling also asked if the Borough still plans on replacing dead street trees.

Rae Ann Schatz, Schatz Garage, 1090 W Main St, spoke regarding the Melhorn retention basin. She stated that there has been no engineer's report submitted in the last 6 nor have they performed and completed a full topographical survey to determine the condition of the basin. She will be submitting a Right to Know Request tomorrow requesting a copy of the latest letter from ARRO which she believes is dated March 17, 2022. She asked what's the game plan and what are the next steps.

Joshua Coleman, 212 S. Market St., owns a small business on Main Street and spoke regarding the high rate of traffic on Main Street and the risky crossing of Main Street. He encourages the Borough to do all they can to increase the safety of the crossing areas. He also feels there is a need for beautification of Main Street. He feels increasing the pedestrian safety and the beautification of downtown area would help bring business to that area.

Bruce Haigh, 504 Rose Petal Ln, speaking as a representative for Whittemore & Haigh Engineering, spoke regarding the Amtrak culvert at BMP 107 and gave his opinion of what area of the pipe needs to be replaced.

Auditors 2021 Report

Megan Senkowski and Chris Shradley from Trout CPA presented the Annual Auditor's Report.

Report of Mayor

Mayor Bradley provided a written report for March 2022. Mayor Bradley highlighted these few items on his report. He organized the Anti-Poverty Working Group session for the Community Stakeholders to be held on April 7, 2022. He attended REYS 40th Anniversary Celebration and delivered a Proclamation at that event. He also attended the Fire Department Mount Joy Annual Awards Banquet. At that banquet Jim Zink and John R. Lutz were awarded a medal for their dedicated and lengthy service to the Fire Department of Mount Joy.

Report of the Chief of Police

Robert Goshen, Police Chief, provided a written monthly report for February 1, 2022, to February 28, 2022. The report showed 19 traffic arrests and 35 criminal arrests for the month. There was a total of 503 incidents for the month of February, with a total of 1,069 incidents year to date.

Report of Fire Department Mount Joy (FDMJ)

Matt Gohn, FDMJ Fire Chief, provided and reviewed a written monthly report for February 2022.

Report of PSH Life Lion

A written report for February 2022 was provided.

Report of EMA

No Report.

Report of Main Street Mount Joy (MSMJ)

Dave Schell, Executive Director, provided a monthly report for February 2022. Schell reported the Downtown Chili Cookoff went well. Fire Department of Mount Joy was the winner. Also, on April 1, 2022, DHS 7th graders were downtown to help clean up debris. Schell said there are a number of grants coming up and MSMJ would like to ask Council if it would be okay for the Borough Manager to write a letter of support for those grants due to the timelines of the grants. Hall said they will put that under other matters to come before Council.

Report of the Milanof-Schock Library (MSL)

Joseph McIlhenney provided a written monthly report for February 2022. McIlhenney was happy to report that the library is fully staffed for the first time in eight months.

Report of Codes and Zoning Officer

Stacie Gibbs, Codes and Zoning Officer, provided a written monthly report for February 2022. Gibbs provided Council with a flyer regarding the Places 2040 Leadership Award Celebration. Informed Council that the Borough was asked by the County Planning Commission back in February to submit a nomination form for the Complete Streets Guidebook. We were then selected to formally apply and now we have been invited to attend and set up table with exhibits. Gibbs said they will be presenting awards at that time. The category we applied for was Connecting People, Places and Opportunity. The date of the celebration is May 24, 2022.

Report of Public Works Director

Dennis Nissley, Public Works Director, provided a written report for March 2022.

Report of the Borough Authority Manager

Joseph Ardini, Authority Manager, provided a written monthly report for March 2022.

Report of the Assistant Borough Manager/Finance Officer

Jill Frey, Assistant Borough Manager/Finance Officer, provided a written report for March 2022.

Report of the Borough Manager

Mark G. Pugliese I, Borough Manager, provided a written report for March 2022.

Approval of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting

On a **MOTION** by Youngerman, and a second by Ginder, approval was given for the minutes of the regular Borough Council meeting held on March 7, 2022. *Motion carries unanimously.*

Building Ad Hoc Committee

Deering provided an update from the March meeting. He said they are moving toward a more thorough review of Grandview site and should have more information after the April meeting.

Administration and Finance Committee

On a **MOTION** by Youngerman, and a second by Roering, a request was made to adopt Resolution 2022-05, a resolution approving and authorizing "participating members" of the Fire Department Mount Joy to participate in certain operational support activities as designated in the Pennsylvania Workers' Compensation Act as modified by Act 108 of 2020. *Motion carries unanimously.*

On a **MOTION** by Roering, and a second by Ginder a request was made to adopt Resolution 2022-06, a resolution reducing employee contributions to the Police Pension Plan for the year 2022. *Motion carries 7-2, Youngerman and Castaldi voting No.*

On a **MOTION** by Youngerman, and a second by Roering, a request was made to authorize the Borough Manager to work with Rettew to apply for multiple grants for the Chiques Creek stream bank restoration project as outlined in the email from Kara Kalupson dated March 1, 2022, at 4:59 pm. *Motion carries unanimously.*

Report of the Public Safety Committee

None.

Report of the Public Works Committee

On a **MOTION** by Ginder, and a second by Ruschke, a request was made to transfer or re-allocate the cost of the stormwater project on N. Angel Street, \$12,880.16 and the over budgeted amount of \$71,017.00 from the Pinkerton Road project for a total of \$83,892.16 to Public Works Budget to utilizing American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funding. *Motion carries unanimously.*

On a **MOTION** by Ginder, and a second by Ruschke, a request was made to award N. Angle Street project to Highway Materials Inc. per ARRO's recommendation letter dated March 10, 2022, of the same subject. *Motion carries unanimously.*

On a **MOTION** by Ginder, and a second by Ruschke, a request was made to award Pinkerton Road project to Construction Masters Services Inc. per ARRO's recommendation letter dated March 10, 2022, of the same subject. *Motion carries unanimously.*

On a **MOTION** by Ginder, and a second by Ruschke, a request was made to issue a waiver of Borough Stormwater Ordinance 2-14, Section 236-37, C, (1) Conveyance facility design criteria, minimum diameter to allow Public Works to install 2 -8" C900 PVC pipes for stormwater conveyance at the intersection of Wood Street and S. Market Ave. After much discussion the Motion was withdrawn.

Public Input Period

Josh Deering, 33 Frank St., said that he and Councilor Castaldi attended the Places 24 Summit and one of the sessions he attended was on the ARPA monies and what can be done with it. He said the City did the presentation and that there was a lot of outside the box thinking of what can be done with that money other than just stormwater.

Ned Sterling, 13 W. Main St., asked how long it will take to pave Brady Ally. He commented that the Historical Society uses that for parking for their meetings that they have the third Monday of every month.

Russell Fraley-Hogg, 215 N. Angle St., asked about the sidewalk project taking place on Angle St. and the deadline and if there is any flexibility or possibility of extension of the deadline.

Any other matter proper to come before Council

Hall acknowledged the letter of appreciation from Mount Joy Helping Services thanking the Borough for their generous donation of \$4,750, which covers about 6 months of rent on the building.

Hall reminded Council of Mount Joy Community Night with the Barnstormers on July 16, 2022. He asked them to put that date on their calendars and plan to attend.

Discussion of Dave Schell's request for the Borough Manager to be authorized to write letters of support for Main Street Mount Joy when they are applying for grants due to the short timelines in some cases.

On a **MOTION** by Youngerman, and a second by Ginder, a request was made to authorize the Borough Manager to write and/or sign letters in support of Main Street Mount Joy projects and report to Council on a timely basis and as part of his monthly report.

Authorization to Pay Bills

On a **MOTION** by Youngerman, and a second by Roering, Council approved paying the bills as presented from March 1 – March 31, 2022.

GENERAL FUND	\$	91,931.41
REFUSE/RECYCLING	\$	49,649.83
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS FUND	\$	2,660.06
HIGHWAY AID FUND	\$	1,806.44
ESCROW FUND	\$	-
JOY LAND ACCOUNT	\$	-
GRAND TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$	146,047.74

Motion carries unanimously.

Meetings and dates of importance

See the green calendar for the month of April.

Executive Session

Council went into Executive Session at 9:05 PM for a legal and personnel matter. Council came out of Executive Session at 10:00 PM. On a **MOTION** by Youngerman, and a seconded by Roering, a request was made to appoint Mayor Timothy Bradley, Jr. as the Deputy Emergency Management Coordinator effective April 5, 2022. *Motion carries unanimously.*

Adjournment

On a **MOTION** by Eichler, and a second by Roering, approval was given to adjourn the meeting at 10:01 PM. *Motion carries unanimously.*

Respectfully Submitted,

A large, bold, handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'MP' or similar initials, written over the printed name.

Mark G. Pugliese
Borough Manager/Secretary