



Regular Meeting (Minutes)
Wednesday, June 8, 2022 @ 7:00 PM

Call to Order

President Miller called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Councilor Joseph Boylan (Present)
Councilor Douglas Eagar (Present)
Councilor Hiele Hodnett (Present)
Council Vice President John Miller (Absent)
Council President Michelle Miller (Present)
Councilor Michele Roberts (Present)
Councilor Walter Stubbs (Absent)

Mayor Amanda Hammock (Present)

Announcements

- No announcements.

Presentations

Ron Woodworth CPA provided an overview of the 2021 Municipal Annual Audit and Financial Report to DCED for Morton Borough.

Public Comment

- No public comments.

Committee Reports

A. Public Facilities & Infrastructure (Councilor Michelle Miller)

1. Building Code Official Report – See attached report.
2. Engineer's Report – See attached report.
3. Engineer Catania provided a brief update on the CDCA sewer project to jet clean; video inspect; and smoke test selected sewer mains in Morton Borough.

B. Finance & Administration (Councilor Joseph Boylan)

1. Tax Collector Report – See attached report.
2. Treasurer's Report – See attached report.

3. Cash Receipts and Disbursements Journal for May 2022 – See attached report.

C. Public Safety (Councilor John Miller)

1. Police Report – See attached report.
2. Fire Report – See attached report.
3. Fire Marshal Report – See attached report.
4. To date, the fire department has not provided information regarding the submission of DCIGRA Emergency Services Grant.

D. Public Health, Sanitation & Recycling (Councilor Michele Roberts)

1. No report.

E. Law Ordinance (Councilor Doug Eagar)

1. No report.

F. Community & Economic Development (Councilor Hiele Hodnett)

1. Professional Services Agreement for Bergmann to perform the Comprehensive Plan and Zoning Ordinance (CDBG Funding). Delaware County OHCD is requested to provide a sample contract which meets HUD requirements.
2. Pricing for the Hometown Hero Banner program. Councilor Hodnett set the pricing for the banners at \$150.00. Order forms will be available in the near future. The target to receive the first order will be on or before November 11, 2022 (Veterans Day).
3. Upcoming Red Cross Blood Drives. Morton Borough will be sponsoring blood drives from 1:00 PM to 6:00 PM for Tuesday, July 12, 2022 and Tuesday, September 13, 2022.
4. Juneteenth Community Unity Day – June 18, 2022 from 12:00 PM to 5:00 PM. Councilor Hodnett will move to amend tonight's agenda to include authorization to spend up to \$3,000.00 on Unity Day festivities.

G. Parks & Recreation (Councilor Walter Stubbs)

1. Awarded - Delco Greenways Mini-PROS grant (Delaware County Planning) - \$50,000 with no match for planning park improvements. Waiting on Delaware County to prepare agreements.
2. Submitted on 05/31/2022 - Greenways, Trails and Recreation Program (GTRP) grant (PA DCED) - \$250,000 with 15% match for safety improvement and enhancements to Jacobs' Park.
3. Manager Stewart reported to Council that a project to refurbish the flagpole at Jacob's Park is in process. In coordination with Mayor Hammock, the Operating Engineers Local 542 and Laborers Local 412 have volunteered to grind and paint the existing steel flagpole and install new hardware.

4. Manager Stewart reported that signs reading DO NOT CLIMB ON FENCE have been installed temporarily on the left field fencing at Scioscia Field until repairs can be completed.

Chris Nelson (Hour T.Y.M.E. Entertainment) provided Council with an update on the music event in Jacobs' Park scheduled for July 30, 2022 from 12:00 PM to 7:00 PM.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Hammock invited all residents to attend a CeasefirePA event scheduled for Friday, June 9, 2022 at 7:00 PM in the DCIU building.

Manager's Report

Manager Stewart updated Council in regards to the required telecommunication upgrade for both administration and the police station.

Action Items

Listed motions are draft Motions. Council may take action on any item listed on the Agenda, and the Motion which is passed may be different from, and have different effect than the Motion below.

- **Motion:** To approve the minutes from the Regular Meeting held on April 13, 2022.

Motion made by President Miller and seconded by Councilor Boylan. Motion passed unanimously.

- **Motion:** To approve the minutes from the Agenda Meeting held on April 27, 2022.

Motion made by President Miller and seconded by Councilor Roberts. Motion passed unanimously.

- **Motion:** To approve the minutes from the Regular Meeting held on May 11, 2022.

Motion made by President Miller and seconded by Councilor Boylan. Motion passed unanimously.

- **Motion:** To approve the minutes from the Agenda Meeting held on May 25, 2022.

Motion made by President Miller and seconded by Councilor Boylan. Motion passed unanimously.

- **Motion:** To approve the Cash Receipts and Disbursements Journal for May 2022.

Motion made by President Miller and seconded by Councilor Roberts. Motion passed unanimously.

- **Motion:** To approve the hire of a part-time Public Works employee (Bruce Blunt) at the hourly rate of \$15.00/hour with a schedule not to exceed 29-hours per week.

Motion made by President Miller and seconded by Councilor Boylan. Roll call vote as follows:

Councilor Joseph Boylan - Yes
Councilor Douglas Eagar - Yes
Councilor Hiele Hodnett - No
Councilor John Miller - Absent
Councilor Michelle Miller – Yes
Councilor Michele Roberts – Yes
Councilor Walter Stubbs – Absent

Motion to hire Bruce Blunt passed with 4 – Yes votes and 1 – No vote.

Several residents expressed their displeasure with Council's process (or lack-off) used to hire for this position.

- **Motion:** To amend tonight's agenda to include action for funding the Juneteenth Community Unity Day festivities.

Motion made by Councilor Hodnett and seconded by Councilor Boylan.
Motion passed unanimously

- **Motion:** To authorization funding not to exceed \$3,000 for Juneteenth Community Unity Day festivities scheduled for June 18, 2022.

Motion made by Councilor Hodnett and seconded by Councilor Boylan.
Motion passed unanimously

Upcoming Meetings/Events

- 06/22/2022 @ 7:00 PM – Council Agenda Meeting (MBH)
- 06/23/2022 @ 6:00 PM – Ice-cream Social sponsored by Morton PD (MBH)
- 08/02/2022 @ TBD – National Night Out (sponsored by Morton PD (MBH)

Old Business

New Business

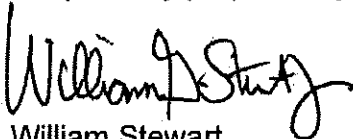
Open Discussion

- Jaqueline Guy (635 Country Lane) – encouraged all resident to attend the Special School Board Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, June 9, 2020 at 6:00 PM to discuss the new teacher's contract and the 2022-2023 school year budget.
- RoDena Lloyd (406 School Street) – expressed an interest in becoming involved with the MoTV committee.
- Michael Lee (123 Sylvan Avenue) – reminded that Council that needs to enforce the rule of order that all resident interested in addressing the Board must sign-in prior to the beginning of the meeting and should be required to wait until the appropriate time (Public Comment or Open Discussion) prior to expressing their opinion or concern.
- Bill Hefner (FEA Industries, 1 North Morton Avenue) – questioned when Council should expect a condition report from the sanitary sewer study. He also commented on the late timing for the request of funds associated with the Juneteenth Community Unity Day.

Adjourn

Motion to adjourn was made by President Miller and seconded by Councilor Roberts. Unanimous vote to adjourn the meeting at 9:20 PM.

Respectfully prepared by:



William Stewart
Borough Manager
07/13/2022