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Joseph Petrovich, President
John Olear, Vice-President
Joseph Miriello Jr., Councilman
John Wargo, Mayor

Marion Heights Borough
Council Chambers
February 11, 2025 Meeting
6:00 pm

The meeting was call to order by President Petrovich. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS: Present were President Petrovich, Vice-President John Olear, Councilman Joe Miriello, Mayor John Wargo and Attorney Ed Greco. Secretary Linda Gregis was absent.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: The Secretary's meeting minutes of the January 14th, 2025 meeting were tabled until the March meeting.

KMHJMA MINUTES: Acknowledged.

TREASURER'S REPORT: SERVICE 1ST FEDERAL CREDIT UNION

The General Fund – had \$7,108.77 in deposits and \$15,484.26 in disbursements. The balance of the General Fund as of February 9, 2025 is \$79,654.07.

The Savings Account had \$0.00 in deposits. The balance as of February 9th, 2025 is \$19,111.71.

The Liquid Fuels Account had no deposits and two checks in the amount of \$2,117.76 disbursed. The balance as of February 9, 2025 is \$93,389.15.

The Petty Cash Account had no deposits and one check withdrawn in the amount of \$9.96. The balance as of February 9, 2025 is \$577.90.

The Payroll Account had in \$2,375.00 deposits transferred from the General Account and \$1,848.50 in checks. The balance as of February 9, 2025 is \$3,011.07.

The Grant Account had no disbursements. The balance as of February 9, 2025 is \$2,881.00.

The PLGIT Class Account had no deposits and no disbursements. The balance as of February 9, 2025 is \$71,037.09.

The PLGIT Motor Fuels fund had no deposits or disbursements. The balance as of February 9, 2025 is \$84,234.56.

THE UNION BANK

The General Fund had one deposit in the amount of one deposit in the amount of \$128.36 and no disbursements. The balance as of February 9, 2025 is \$741.89.

The Savings Account had 1 deposit totaling \$140.00. The balance of the fund as of February 9, 2025 is \$1,060.37.

Total Assets: \$355,699.31

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE: Joe Miriello made a motion to pay past and current bills. Joe Olear second the motion. Motion carried. (3-0) J. Miriello asked the secretary what the Selective bill was for and how much do we owe on it.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON- AGENDA ISSUES: None

SOLICITOR'S REPORT: Attorney Greco stated that letters will be issued regarding the smoke testing that was performed. He said the main is owned by the Authority, but the lateral from the main to the home is owned by the homeowner. He also said he is working on the borough property list, but it has been difficult because he is not finding any information on the properties.

POLICE REPORT: The police report had a total of 9 calls and logged 230 patrols.

MAYOR'S REPORT: The Liquid Fuels Account with PLGIT has \$84,234.56 in it and the Liquid Fuels account with Service 1st has \$93,389.15. The mayor suggested we place some of the liquid fuels money from Service 1st into the PLGIT account because we get a much better interest rate.

FIRE CHIEF REPORT: None

CODE REPORT: Karen Brown reported that the 2025 rental paperwork is processed and 90% has been returned. One dumpster permit and four ticket were issued. The abandon vehicle has been removed from 409 E. Warsaw and placed on property.

CORRESPONDENCE: A letter from the Northumberland Department of Planning to MH 6th LLC, Clermont Street, Tax Parcel 003-00-001-439 stating the department has completed the review of the project and is sufficient with the following conditions. (Letter is attached)

An email from Luke Darrup stating his office hours at the borough building will be 6 to 8 pm, on the 2nd & 4th Wednesday of the month in 2025; with more hours on Sunday 4/27/25, Wednesday, 4/30/25, Saturday 8/30/25, Saturday 12/17/25, and Monday 12/19/25 from 6 to 8 pm.

An email from the Department of Economic Development (DCED) stating our 2023 audit has been accepted.

An email from COSTARS asking if we are going to participate in the road salt program. John Olear stated that we should participate in the salt program this year.

OLD BUSINESS: Council instructed the secretary to call Pave It in Elysburg and get an estimate for the 300, 400 and 500 block of Warsaw Street for the cracks in the street.

Luke Darrup bond – Attorney Greco said there is a % of tax collection fees that is used to secure a bond. He will look into it and contact the secretary.

343 Warsaw Street – Council would like to sell the property. Attorney Greco will reach out to Pat Mack. It is done by the bidding process.

Council asked the secretary to reach out to Brinkash and get a list of things that breached the contract with H&K Construction.

John Olear spoke about selling the tractor and suggested a selling price of \$1,500.00 and the broom separately. He will investigate further.

Send letters to property owners to trim trees in alley's that hang over roadways, if over 100 days, the borough will bill the owners for the borough or contractors to complete the job.

NEW BUSINESS: Council said to ask Karen about permits for new construction.

The alley on 100 E. between Warsaw and Melrose Street is in poor condition. Joe Miriello would like to have it paved. Council instructed the secretary to contact Barry Gaverick from Penndot and get an estimate.

John Olear reported that the shut off valve is sticking out of the ground approximately 6". He will call John Klinger of Aqua and discuss.

The first meeting of the blight Authority will be held on February 12, 2025 per J. Mirello

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ISSUES: Jacob Ramer Inquired about snow plowing for the borough. John Olear said we will discuss it and get back to him.

With no further business to discuss, John Olear made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Joe Miriello second the motion. Motion carried. (3-0)

Respectfully yours,

Linda Gregis
Secretary/Treasurer

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