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

Marion Heights Borough  
Council Chambers  
September 9th, 2025 Meeting  
7:00 pm

The meeting was call to order by Vice-President John Olear. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS:** Present were President Petrovich arrived at 7:03, Vice-President John Olear, Councilman Joe Miriello, Secretary Linda Gregis and Attorney Greco. Mayor John Wargo was absent.

**SECRETARY'S REPORT:** The Secretary's meeting minutes of the August 20<sup>th</sup>, 2025 meeting were reviewed and a motion was made by J. Miriello to accept the minutes and J. Olear second the motion. Motion carried.(3-0) Mr. Miriello instructed the secretary to post the stop sign requirements that were in the August meeting minutes in the post office.

**KMHJMA MINUTES:** Acknowledged.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

J. Miriello made a motion to accept the treasurer's report and J. Olear second the motion. Motion carried. (3-0)

**ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:** Joe Miriello made a motion to pay past and current bills. John Olear second the motion. Motion carried. (3-0)

**PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON- AGENDA ISSUES:** None

**SOLICITOR'S REPORT:** Council's pay cannot exceed \$3,100.00 per year. J. Miriello made a motion to advertise to council's pay increase. J. Olear second the motion. Motion carried, (3-0)

**POLICE REPORT:** None

**MAYOR'S REPORT:** None

**FIRE CHIEF REPORT:** None

**CODE REPORT:** Karen Brown reported one courtesy letter was sent for non-payment of 2 tickets. Five warnings for high grass, met with property owner for rat problem. Four tickets issued, 10 citations.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** A letter was received from David Barker to representative for Marion Heights on the Kulpmont-Marion Height's Sewer Authority. Mr. Miriello made a motion to appoint David Barker to the Kulpmont-Marion Height's Sewer Authority. John Olear second the motion. Motion carried. (3-0) The secretary will send a letter to the sewer authority's office manager advising her of the appointment.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Joe Miriello made a motion to approve and enact Ordinance 2025-01, Amend Dumpster Ordinance No 84. John Olear second the motion. Motion carried. (3-0)

The wall was brought up again for discussion. Brinkash & Associates said the wall could cost 3/4 to a million dollars for repair of the wall. It will cost \$10,000 for core samples taken along the road and walkway to see what system to use. The core samples will tell which direction we should proceed with and then the contractor would decide which system to use. The engineer said we can try and fix it but the issue is the leaning pitch which is different. It could be repaired in sections. The project may be eligible for grants, but it is not known. Blocking off the street depends upon what they find with the core samples.

The brush did not sell on Municibid. J. Olear said to let it sit until spring and then re-list it

Salt and anti-skid will be delivered tomorrow, September 10, 2025. Twenty-two tons of each.

John Olear will investigate a tank for diesel fuel for the skid steer.

Northumberland County does not have a street sweeper to sweep Park Avenue.

The employees who did the street sweeping did a fantastic job.

J. Petrovich has someone to install electrical in the storage shed.

John Janowski will install the fire escape ladder in two weeks.

John Olear said three security cameras are needed for the park.

The borough worker painted more yellow lines than should have been painted. J. Olear said we should have those lines painted throughout the town. Joe Petrovich said the handicap signs need to be moved.

J. Olear said we didn't know the yellow lines were wrong, but we have a moral obligation to make them right. Mr. Petrovich said that at a previous meeting, it was discussed differently and some stop signs are placed on telephone poles.

Charles Staskiel said the yellow lines have been corrected but the size of the stop signs has changed. Council instructed the secretary to order 7 new stop signs 30"x30".

**NEW BUSINESS:** John Olear inquired about a raise for council. Attorney Greco said it must be done by ordinance. Attorney Greco will make an ordinance. J. Olear made a motion to make an ordinance to increase the pay scale for new or incoming council members from \$50.00 per meeting to \$100.00 per month beginning January, 2026. J. Miriello second the motion. Motion carried. (3-0)

**PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ISSUES:** None

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

Respectfully yours,

Linda Gregis  
Secretary/Treasurer