



Mars Borough

Meeting Minutes

(Visitors/Speakers are asked to limit their presentations to 5 minutes during Public Meetings.)

Meeting Date: February 7, 2022

Call to Order: 7:00 PM, with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ELECTED OFFICIALS ATTENDANCE ("x" indicates present) ("tc" indicates teleconference attendance)		
x	Rob Bost	Council Vice President Administration, HR
x	Chris Clutter	Council Pro Tem Public Safety
x	Mike Fleming	Council President
	Rick Foster	Streets
x	Bill Lambert	Water
x	Brad Price	Budget, Finance
x	Julie Schultheis	Parks & Rec, Celebrations
x	Gregg Hartung	Mayor

EMPLOYEE / PROVIDER ATTENDANCE ("x" indicates present) ("tc" indicates teleconference attendance)		
tc	Bonnie Forsythe	Secretary / Treasurer
x	Jamie Kochik	Assistant Sec. / Treas.
x	Amy Brown	Assistant Sec. / Treas.
	Ed Dorsey	Public Works Foreman
	Allen Russell	Code Enforcement
	Mark Lint	Officer in Charge
x	Chris Reese	Solicitor
	Renea Pomeroy	Elected Tax Collector

VISITORS:	
Name(s) / Organization	Topic
Mike Macri	Traffic on Grand Avenue. Macri expressed concern over the speed of some vehicles, parking on wrong side, run the stop signs, come wrong way out of one way. Schultheis suggested parking ordinance need updated. Macri also mentioned someone is living in building across street in the commercial space and asked if it was allowed. Council stated the Code Enforcement Officer would need to be consulted. Hartung to ask Carol Grady, the owner of the building about tenant and will also talk to Lint about speed/issues on Grand.

PUBLIC COMMENT TO SPEAK ABOUT STORMWATER MS4 ISSUES:	
Name(s) / Organization	Topic

MOTIONS	FIRST	SECOND	ACTION
Motion to approve Expenses through the end of December 2021 in the amount of \$83,341.68.	Lambert	Fleming	Bost – No Clutter – Yes Fleming – Yes Lambert – Yes Price – Yes Schultheis - No
Motion to approve December 2021 Payroll and Payroll Taxes in the amount of \$17,749.87.	Tabled		

MOTIONS (cont.)	FIRST		
Motion to approve January 2022 Expenses in the amount of \$43,302.37.	Clutter	Price	Bost – No Clutter – Yes Fleming – Abstained Lambert – Yes Price – Yes Schultheis – No
Motion to approve January 2022 Payroll and Payroll Taxes in the amount of \$35,313.36.	Tabled		
Motion to approve the closing of streets in downtown for June 18, 2022 for Brewfest to benefit Mars New Year.	Schultheis	Clutter	Carried
Motion to allow Mars Robotics to use rooms on the first floor of the Education Building February 12, 2022.	Schultheis	Bost	Carried
Motion to Amend leases regarding church usage by Mars Robotics and Mars Narrative Church. Days to be clarified and when which parties will use which parking lots. Church to have 7 day a week access and exclusive parking use on Sunday for the paved lot. Robotics will park Sundays on the gravel lot and any other days on paved lot.	Price	Schultheis	Carried

OLD / ON-GOING ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:		
Item	Submitted by:	Discussion / Status
Payment Boxes	Pomeroy	Still researching.

NEW ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:		
Item	Submitted by:	Discussion / Status
Property Trade	Fleming	Schultheis opposed, stating Borough already has too many properties and she does not see value for Borough. Question on whether a letter from 3-year-old appraisal stating it is still an accurate value to be checked on by Forsythe. Fleming wants option to create building to house public works/police equipment on adjacent lot and wants to be able to sell property on Anderson. Bost would like to see some sort of long-term plan with all Borough properties before making move and stated he is opposed at the moment. Lambert was also opposed.
Refund of 2020 School Tax	Price	Refunded \$17,622.19 for property taxes paid in fall of 2020.
422 Sales Proposals	Forsythe	Discussed liquidation of police car worth \$50-\$500. Fleming wants to put the vehicle on Municibid. No one in favor of 422 Sales.

REPORTS:	
Department	Report
Secretary / Treasurer	Budget Update provided to Council.
Public Works	Per Fleming, Council needs Dorsey to get accurate pricing on new water line from Beaver across Anderson. Fleming also wants to get paving bids out by March. Fleming also asked Schultheis about the mold at the church building. Schultheis stated some work has been done on the exterior of the building. Some grading also needs done on the exterior and mold remediation done on the interior, however Schultheis believes exterior work should be done before work is done on the interior so the problem won't persist. Fleming suggested at least cutting out the areas where mold was found on the interior to stop the spread. Schultheis to get quotes from mold remediation quotes.

EXECUTIVE SESSION				
Requested by:		Topic(s):		
Fleming		Consulting Solicitor on potential litigation, property lease agreements.		
Motion		First	Second	Action
To go into Executive Session	Time: 8:36 PM	Lambert	Clutter	Carried
To come out of Executive Session	Time: 9:36 PM	Bost	Schultheis	Carried

CLOSING ACTIONS				
Motion		First	Second	Action
To Adjourn	Time: 9:40 PM	Lambert	Clutter	Carried

Submitted by: Amy Brown, Assistant Secretary/Treasury