



Mars Borough

Council Meeting Agenda: **June 5, 2017**

7:00 - Call to order with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Elected Officials Attendance <small>x indicates present</small>					
	Name	Office/Committee		Name	Office/Committee
	Rob Bost	<i>Vice President</i> Administration & Finance Public Safety & Human Resources	x	Brad Price	Administration & Finance
x	Chris Clutter	Public Safety & Human Resources	x	Julie Schultheis	Administration & Finance
x	Mike Fleming	<i>President</i> Public Works	x	Doug Weinrich	Public Safety & Human Resources Public Works
x	Rick Foster	<i>Chairman Pro Tem</i> Public Works		Gregg Hartung	Mayor

Employee/Provider Attendance <small>x indicates present</small>					
	Name	Position		Name	Position
	Ed Dorsey	Public Works Foreman	x	Bonnie Forsythe	Secretary/Treasurer
	Greg Szypulski	Public Works		Patricia Madafarri	Secretary
	Jim Louis	Public Works	x	Chris Reese	Solicitor
	Nathan Sergent	Public Works		Kevin Radford	Police Chief
	Richard Mannas	Code Enforcement			

Visitors					
Name	Topic		Resolution		
Glen Beattie	Daryl Metcalf Volunteer Legislative Assistant		In attendance to observe.		
Jan & Ed Gardener	Addressing issues brought forth by Richard Mannas. Weeds, sidewalk (gravel), grass. Mannas says he'll write citations to Magistrate. Last conversation with Mannas was May 18 th .		Suggestions for ridding the areas of weeds were given. Fleming will discuss the situation with Mannas and try to find a resolution.		
Ronnie Martin Robin Swank	Lions Club International would like to create Lions Club in Mars. There used to be a Mars/Seven Fields Lions Club but it disbanded. Benefits of Lions Clubs to the community were discussed, including matching grants up to \$100,000 and natural disaster assistance.		Possibility of participation to update bathrooms at Marburger Field was discussed. Organizational Lunch/Meeting will be held Friday, June 9, 2017 at noon, at Mama's Restaurant. Vote to elect officers will occur. Council recognized the benefit to the community of having a Club in Mars.		
Josh Zimmerman Joann Ehtler Jacob Lorch	Pop-Up Dinner Fundraiser (see letter in correspondence). Developed idea to showcase local artisans, restaurants, etc. with fundraising component to assist Mars Revitalization. (Projected income = \$12,000, with insurance. Tickets = \$100 and hoping to get 120 people.) Working with Breakneck Tavern & Springfield Grille to prepare food, then transport to event location. Proposed date = end of July/early August. Money to go to scholarship fund, to be determined and set up at a later date.		Council sees this as a beneficial idea and supports and encourages Zimmerman's efforts, and are interested to see what develops.		
Bill Puryear (Walsh Equipment)	Excavator Purchase Quote		Discussed specifics of equipment quote. (See Public Works section for more info.)		
John Watson	Believes Library should remain in Mars.	Council members agreed, they'd like the Library to stay in Mars. Fleming believes it may be time for Council to contact Library Board & Adams Twp.			
Motion			First	Second	Action

Executive Session Needed?	
Yes/No	Requested By
No	

Correspondence			
Name	Topic	Resolution	
County Election Bureau	Election Results for Sale of Liquor and Liquor License Public Venue Referendum Votes.		
Mayor Gregg Hartung	Thank you to Council re: Mars New Year.		
Josh Zimmerman	Proposal for a Pop-Up Dinner in Mars.		
Motion		First	Second
			Action

Minutes				
Minutes of:	Additions/Corrections/Motion	First	Second	Action
May 8, 2017	Motion to approve minutes as presented.	Schultheis	Weinrich	Passed

Mayor: Gregg Hartung			
Report	Discussion/Follow-Up		
See Mayor's Report, attached.			
Motion	First	Second	Action

Solicitor: Chris Reese			
Report	Discussion/Follow-Up		
Can Borough levy taxes for Fire Dept. if it's not in the Borough?	Yes		
To bind a future applicant to proposed zoning changes that haven't yet been made, Borough must: (1) have an actual proposal vs. the desire to have a proposal; (2) to have a public announcement for public hearing; and (3) complete everything in a reasonable time.	Planning Commission meeting to be held 06/12/2017 at 7:00 PM @ Borough Building. Need to designate where zoning needs changed & parking. LCB location restrictions?		
Butler County interest in having a mutual aid agreement regarding emergency services / SWAT team.	No protection for Borough or Borough officers. Nothing in agreement for county to take responsibility for anything that Borough would be doing. No payment for time officer spent training for work in unit, no indemnification clause if officer was involved an incident. No reciprocal benefits. Borough officers would be under County control and Borough would incur all costs and responsibility. Reese does not recommend signing. Council agreed.		
Motion	First	Second	Action
Motion to pass Resolution #25, as mentioned in May 2017 meeting.	Weinrich	Schultheis	Passed

Council President: Mike Fleming			
Report	Discussion/Follow-Up		
Motion	First	Second	Action

Secretary: Bonnie Forsythe			
Report	Discussion/Follow-Up		
State Ethics Commission Statement of Financial Interests forms were due May 1 st .			
Reminder to Council & Officials to begin using new email addresses.			
Motion	First	Second	Action

Administration & Finance Committee: Bost, Price, Schultheis					
Main Office	Budget	Monthly Bills	Water Billing	Parks & Special Events	Public Relations
Report			Discussion/Follow-Up		
Motion			First	Second	Action
Motion to Pay bills in the amount of \$34,257.28.			Foster	Clutter	Passed

Public Works: Foster, Fleming, Weinrich						
Streets	Beaver Street Project	Water System	Equipment	Buildings	Field/Park Maintenance	Vehicles
Report			Discussion/Follow-Up			
Possible Excavator purchase from Walsh Equipment.			Discussed quote for machine & its capabilities.			
Purchase of Equipment (3% interest on equipment loans)		Fleming would like to purchase equipment and associated attachments (multiple buckets, tamping plate, milling head for existing skid loader).				
Water Plant Loan (paying over 4% interest)		Fleming proposes using PLGIT funds in July to pay off Water Plant Loan.				
Review of discussions with PennDOT regarding Pittsburgh St.			Waiting for PennDOT to respond.			
Motion			First	Second	Action	
Motion to purchase Bobcat equipment as described in the amount of approximately \$77,889.88, and to pay off Water Plant Loan in July.			Weinrich	Foster	Passed	

Public Safety & Human Resources: Clutter, Weinrich, Bost					
Police	Code Enforcement	Pensions	Payroll	Human Resources	
Report			Discussion/Follow-Up		
Collective Bargaining Agreement for Police.			Discussions are still ongoing.		
Need for two Planning Commission members to be appointed.			To be determined.		
Motion			First	Second	Action

Closing Actions			
Motion	First	Second	Action
To go into executive session			
To come out of executive session			
Items discussion in Executive Session:			
To Adjourn	Foster	Weinrich	Passed

Submitted by

Reports Filed	
Report	Date
Bills for Payment	06/05/2017
Police Chief	April 2017
Public Works Foreman	April 2017
Code Enforcement	May 2017
Administration Committee	
Public Works Committee	
Finance Committee	