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Council

Minutes

01 Dec 15

Regular Meeting

Matamoras Borough Council Minutes
Meeting of 01 Dec 2015

1 The regular meeting of the Matamoras Borough Council was called to order at 1930 hrs., Tuesday, 01
2 Dec 15 by President Sain followed by a salute to the flag.

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4 Roll call was taken. Present were Joe Sain, Pete Sigreto, Dee Losee, Kevin Rose, Mark Madsen, Thomas
5 Greiner, David Clark and Mayor Janet Clark. Also present were Assistant Chief Eric Stewart,
6 Secretary/Zoning Officer Bob Fitch, Treasurer Greg Myer, Jane Drake Tax Collector and Solicitor Eric
7 Hamill. Absent were Fire Chief Thomas Long, Recreation President Al Holtzer. EM Coordinator Gary
8 Babb was excused. There were approximately 23 members of the general public present.

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10 **Motion** to approve the minutes as presented by Sigreto/Clark; carried without dissent

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12 **Motion** by Sigreto/Greiner to accept the Treasurer's report as presented; carried without dissent.

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14 **Motion** by Rose/Madsen that the bills are accepted and, when approved by the Finance Committee,
15 orders are drawn on the Borough Treasurer for the same; carried

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17 **PUBLIC COMMENT:** The following citizens offered comments:

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19 **Linda Kosak** – 707 Avenue K Announced that Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 623 would
20 be holding their annual Wreaths Across America event at 1200 hrs. on Saturday, 12 Dec 15 in
21 Veterans Memorial Park and Education Center and invited the Council and public to attend.

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23 **REPORTS**

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25 **Mayor** – Reported on meeting with the CEO and President of Corning Gas. They will be assuming full
26 operational control over the O & R gas accounts and electric accounts in June 2016 as a part of their
27 purchase of this territory. Their first priority will be replacing all the cast iron gas pipelines by sleeving
28 plastic into the existing lines. Rates will remain constant for the time being.

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30 **General Government Chair** – No Report

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32 **Road Task Force** – Nothing to report.

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34 **Fire Department Chair** – Nothing to report

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36 **Streets Chair** – Mr. Greiner reported on trash collected and other tasks accomplished. Additionally,
37 yard waste collection has ended. Complete report on file.

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39 **Finance Committee Chair** – Nothing to report

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41 **Borough Buildings Chair** – Reported on receiving a letter from EPRPD outlining deficiencies in their
42 building as a result of the annual loss prevention inspection by Optimus Risk Services.

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44 **EPRPD** - Assistant Chief Stewart reviewed crime statistics, full report on file. the public.

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46 **Fire** – No Report.

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Emergency Management – No Report

Recreation Advisory Board – Mr. Sain reported that \$95,000 from the Wade Trust Fund were used for maintenance at the park while \$5,000 were spent on park improvements.

CORRESPONDENCE - on file.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- 1. **Motion** by Rose/Clark to authorize the Secretary to advertise RFP’s borough engineer and Solicitor. Carried without dissent
- 2. The sidewalks at 201 Avenue L were discussed and it was noted that they may be located in Borough right-of way. Council directed that the Zoning Officer send a letter to the property owner directing them to identify for the Borough the location of their property boundaries.
- 3. **Motion** by Rose/Sigreto to appoint appoint Trimea Strenk and Christine Waszcyszak as Junior Councilpersons. Carried with dissent,

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1. **Motion** by Clark/Madsen to adopt the 2016 Budget as presented. Roll call vote result was: Sain, Sigreto, Clark, Greiner Madsen, Yea and Losee and Rose Nay. Carried 5-2.
- 2. **Motion** – by Rose/Sigreto to approve the 2016 Tax Levy Ordinance and 2016 Budget Ordinance. Carried without dissent
- 3. **Motion** – by Rose/Clark to approve a one time change to the EPRPC to appoint one member to a one-year term and one member to a two-year term for 2016 only, going forward in 2017 all appointments would be for two year terms. Carried with dissent.
- 4. **Motion** – by Rose/Greiner to approve the Wreaths Across America event at Veterans Park on Saturday 12 Dec 15 at noon. Carried without dissent.
- 5. **Motion** by Sigreto/Rose authorize the Solicitor to petition the court for additional millage for 2016. Carried without dissent.
- 6. **Motion** by Rose/Clark to authorize the Secretary to advertise the 2016 meeting schedule with one change, the August 2106 Council Meeting will be held at 1930 hrs. on Wednesday, 03 Aug 16. Carried without dissent.
- 7. **Motion** by Rose/Clark to approve the contract with Kirk Summa for the 2015 Audit. Carried without dissent.
- 8. Mr. Madsen reported on the meeting with CableVision and the lack of results. The Borough is asking CableVision to negotiate a new franchise agreement to include free cable and internet service for government buildings, a local broadcast station and annual reporting on revenues.

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9. Mr. Greiner requested for a motion to authorize the Secretary to advertise for paving bids as soon as the Streets Committee determines the streets requiring paving. Motion by Rose/Losee carried without dissent.

10. **Motion** by Rose/Sigreto to change the locks on the office and annex doors to Medeco electronic cylinders, purchase 15 keys and the required support hardware at a cost of \$2,100. It was noted that the MMA will share in hardware and set-up costs. Carried with Losee dissenting.

11. **Motion** by Sigreto/Rose to send a letter to PAYAL informing them that the Borough will be cutting power to the PAYAL concession stand until spring 2016. Carried without dissent.

12. Mr. Sigreto reminded everyone of the Annual Ricky Drew Christmas Parade this Sunday at 2:00 pm with Jane Drake and Nancy Vocci as the Parade Grand Marshalls.

There being no further business to conduct:

Motion was made by Rose/Sigreto to adjourn. There being no dissent, the meeting was adjourned at 2032 hrs.

Respectfully submitted,



Robert J. Fitch
Secretary