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# **Council**

# **Minutes**

**04 Jan 16**

**Re-Organizational Meeting**

**Regular Meeting**

**Matamoras Borough Council Minutes**  
**Meeting of 04 Jan 16**

1 Mayor Janet Clark called the 2016 re-organizational and regularly stated meeting of the Matamoras  
2 Borough Council to order at 1930 hrs. on Monday 4 January 2016.

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4 Present were Joe Sain, Peter Sigreto, David Clark, Thomas Greiner, Dana Losee, Mark Madsen, Kevin  
5 Rose, Timea Strenk, Christine Waszcyszak, Mayor Janet Clark, solicitor air camel, Treas. Jane Drake,  
6 Fire Chief Thomas Long, Recreation President Al Holtzer, and Borough Secretary and Zoning Officer  
7 Robert Fitch. Excused were EMA director Gary Babb and Treasurer. Greg Meyer. There were  
8 approximately 12 people in attendance in the audience.

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10 Mayor Clarke administered the Oath of Office to Councilman Mark Madsen and David Clark, Junior  
11 Councilwomen, Timea Strenk and Christine Waszcyszak.

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13 Following in swearing the officers in Mayor Clark opened the floor for nominations for Council  
14 President. David Clark nominated Joseph Sain. There being no further nominations, nominations were  
15 closed. Joseph Sain was elected president without dissent.

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17 President Joe Sain took over the meeting and opened nominations for vice president Kevin Rose  
18 nominated David Clark Mr. Clark declined stating he felt Mr. Sigreto had done a good job and  
19 deserved to be vice president again Mr. Rose rescinded his nomination and nominated Mr. Sigreto for  
20 vice president. there being no further nominations nominations for vice president were closed a vote  
21 was held and Mr. Sigreto was elected without dissent. nominations were open for president pro tem  
22 Mr. Sigreto nominated Mr. Losee. There being no further nominations, nominations were closed and  
23 the ballots were cast Mr. Losee was elected president pro tem without dissent. Mr. Sain now opened  
24 the floor for public comment.

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

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28 **James Hall** - 106 Avenue M thanked the Pike County Dispatch for their article about the last  
29 council meeting.

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31 **APPOINTMENTS FOR 2016:**

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33 **Secretary** – Robert Fitch, passed with dissent

34 **Treasurer** – Greg Myers, CPA, passed without dissent

35 **Solicitor** – General Government will review the proposals and present their recommendation to  
36 Council next month.

37 **Open Records Officer**- Robert Fitch, passed without dissent

38 **Municipal Authority** – Leonard Muir, passed without dissent

39 **Planning Commission** – Eric Kudrich, Lenny Muir, Linda O'Donnell, and Keith Rodriguez, passed  
40 without dissent

41 **Zoning Hearing Board Solicitor** – John Stieh, passed without dissent

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1 **Recreation Advisory Board**

2 Martina Rose, Yea; Rose, Clark and Losee, Nay; Sain, Sigreto, Greiner, and Madsen. Not  
3 elected 4-3

4 Al Holtzer, passed without dissent

5 Linda O'Donnell, Yea; Sain, Sigreto, Greiner, Madsen; Nay; Rose & Losee. Elected 5-2

6 Pete Sigreto, passed without dissent.

7 **Borough Engineer** – Kiley Associates, LLC passed with Losee dissenting.

8 **Depositories** - NBT, Citizens, Wayne Bank, PLGIT. Passed without dissent

9 **Publications** – Pike County Dispatch, Times Harold Record, News Eagle. Passed without dissent

10 **Road Task Force** – P; Tom Greiner, A; Keith Rodriguez. Passed without dissent

11 **Police Commission** – 1 yr. Janet Clark, passed without dissent; 2 yr. Kevin Rose carried 3-, yea, Losee,  
12 Rose and Clark; Nay, Sigreto

13 **SEO** – Justin Striharsky – Passed without dissent

14 **SEO Alternate** – Ron Tussel. Passed without dissent

15 **Vacancy Board** – Diane Burger. Passed without dissent

16 **Zoning Officer** – Bob Fitch Passed without dissent

17 **Code Enforcement** – Bob Fitch and EPRPD. Passed without dissent

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19 **Motion** to approve the minutes as presented by Rose/Clark; carried without dissent

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

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23 **Motion** by Clark/Sigreto that the bills are accepted and, when approved by the Finance Committee,  
24 orders are drawn on the Borough Treasurer for the same; carried

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26 **REPORTS**

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28 **Mayor** – Thanked everyone for their support in the last election. She talked about wanting to do an  
29 event to honor the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Borough Hall. She plans to have a community celebration.  
30 Another project for this year is to raise funds to place an electronic message board at Town Square.  
31 She is also going to work with the Junior Councilwomen on have DVSD students do art work on the  
32 electrical panels.

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34 **General Government Chair** – No Report

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

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38 **Fire Department Chair** – Nothing to report Presented the new AED for the Chief's Car.

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

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

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45 **Borough Buildings Chair** – Nothing to report.

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1 **EPRPD** – No Report

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3 **Fire** – Chief Long reported on the monthly calls, requested the council approve switch back to Verizon  
4 for phone service noting issues with Vonage and the need for a hard fax line. The want to keep 570-  
5 491-4154 and 570-491-2200. Joe Sain thanked the department for cleaning up their property. Mr.,  
6 Long also reported on the election results. Full report to be filed.

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8 **Emergency Management** – No Report

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10 **Recreation Advisory Board** – Mr. Holtzer reported council needed to officially reappoint Ami Greiner  
11 to the Rec Board.

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13 **CORRESPONDENCE** - on file.

14 **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

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16 1. **Motion** by Losee/Rose to adopt the Resolution 2016-01 authorizing the tax anticipation note in  
17 the amount of \$200,000 from Wayne Bank. Passed with dissent.

18 2. Directed the Code Enforcement Officer to contact the resident of 201 Avenue L with a solution  
19 and time frame to correct the sidewalk problem.

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21 **NEW BUSINESS:**

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23 1. **Motion** by Sigreto/Rose to drop Vonage and return to Verizon for service at the firehouse  
24 retaining 570-491-4154 and 570-491-2200. Passed without dissent

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26 2. **Motion** – by Rose/Sigreto to direct the Secretary to find a replacement pump for the diesel fuel  
27 tank at the Borough Barn and to advertise for bids for diesel fuel and propane. Passed without  
28 dissent.

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30 3. **Motion** – by Rose/Losee to reaffirm Ami Greiner’s appointment to the Recreation Advisory  
31 Board. Carried with dissent.

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33 4. **Motion** – by Rose/Sigreto to promote John Bush from part-time to full time in the DPW. Carried  
34 without dissent.

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36 5. Joe Sain took the floor and announced that over the course of this coming year he wanted to  
37 spend some time at each meeting discussing issues in the Borough. This month he talked about  
38 the idea of a rental property inspection program. A lively discussion followed will be continued  
39 next month.

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41 6. Mark Madsen commented that he would have a job description for the Secretary at the next  
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1       **7. COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS:**  
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- 3           Finance – Chair Dave Clark, Pete Sigreto  
4           Fire/EMA – Chair Dee Losee, Kevin Rose  
5           General Government – Chair Mark Madsen, Dave Clark  
6           Police – Mayor Clark, Kevin Rose  
7           Streets/Facilities – Chair Tom Greiner, Dave Clark  
8           Municipal Authority Liaison – Dave Clark  
9           Recreation Liaison – Pete Sigreto

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11       **Motion** was made by Rose/Losee to adjourn. There being no dissent, the meeting was adjourned at  
12       2036 hrs.

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14       Respectfully submitted,

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18       **Robert J. Fitch**  
19       Secretary