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Council

Minutes

06 SEP 16

**Public Hearing Modification of Section 67-2
Borough Code
Public Hearing Ordinance #326
Regular Meeting**

Matamoras Borough Council Minutes
Meeting of 06 SEP 16

1 The regular meeting of the Matamoras Borough Council was called to order at 1930 hrs., Tuesday, 06 Sep 16
2 by President Sain followed by a salute to the flag.

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4 Present were Joe Sain, Pete Sigreto, Dee Losee, Kevin Rose, Thomas Greiner, David Clark, Mark Madsen,
5 Mayor Janet Clark and Jr. Councilwomen Timea Strenk and Christine Waszcyszak. Also present were
6 Secretary/Zoning Officer Bob Fitch, Treasurer Greg Myer, Jane Drake Tax Collector, Fire Chief Tom Long, EM
7 Coordinator Tom Olver and Solicitor Eric Hamill. Assistant Chief Eric Stewart and Recreation President Al
8 Holtzer were absent. There were approximately 13 members of the general public present.

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10 **Motion** to approve the minutes of August 2016 meetings as presented by Rose/Sigreto; carried without
11 dissent

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13 **Motion** by Clark/Rose to accept the August 2016 Treasurer's report as presented; carried without dissent.

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15 **Motion** by Rose/Sigreto that the bills are accepted and, when approved by the Finance Committee, orders
16 are drawn on the Borough Treasurer for the same; carried without dissent.

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

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20 **Susan Kowalski**, 307 Avenue L –asked why the Borough had to accept the streets. Solicitor Hamill
21 and Mr. Fitch explained it was required by PennDOT as part of the next phase of Pennsylvania
22 Avenue Street Scape.

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24 **Helen Gassmann**, 907 Avenue L – Commented she was not happy that the Veteran’s Park was
25 excluded from the Recreation Flyer about summer activities at the park and the lack of signage on
26 Pennsylvania Avenue directing visitors to Veteran’s Park.

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28 **Lynn Homer**, 501 Avenue L – Shared with council the upcoming events sponsored by the Heart of
29 Matamoras. The events are a Seminar on Elder Law presented on Wednesday, 07 Sep at 1900 hrs.
30 for all ages. There is no charge to attend the seminar and light refreshments will be served. She also
31 announced the Republican Club \$500 College Scholarship for any Pike County resident in college and
32 registered to vote.

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34 **REPORTS**

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36 **Mayor** –She reminded everyone of the September 11th candlelight ceremony being held at Veterans Park on
37 11 Sep 16 at 1900 hrs. The Mayor provided an update on the Borough Hall Centennial and announced that
38 there are t-shirts and hoodies for sale. T-shirts are \$15 and hoodies are \$25. The items are available at the
39 Borough Office or at Ravinia and Nana’s Nook in Matamoras.

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41 **Junior Councilwomen** – Reported on the Day of Caring on 10 Sep 16 and the Jaz Fest on Sep 17 from 1400 –
42 2359 hrs. at the high school.

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General Government – No Report.

Fire Department Chair – Nothing to report

Public Works and Facilities Chair – Mr. Greiner reported on trash collected and other tasks accomplished. Reminded everyone of the Borough Ordinance concerning garbage can size, lid requirement and times for placement times for cans. He announced that effective 1 October we would be enforcing the ordinance, no more than two cans 20-38 gallons in size with lids on, nothing stacked on top of the cans or bags on the ground.

Road Task Force – Nothing to Report

Finance Committee Chair – Mr. Clark reminded everyone the Budget Workshops start at 1830 hrs. and that the Finance Committee needed everyone’s draft budget by NLT 26 Sep 16.

EPRPD – Report on File

Fire – Chief Long reported on Fire Department activity for the month of August. He highlighted that during a recent tour of the new school, FD radios would not work inside the building, he requested the Borough and School District work to find a solution to this public safety hazard.

Emergency Management – Mr. Olver reported that the Ham Radio Club would have a portable station set up at the Borough Hall Centennial. He also noted that Voltron Electric is evaluating all the emergency sirens to determine the repairs required to bring them online. Mr. Olver also expressed his concerns over the lack of radio functionality at the new school and reported he was talking to School Police Chief Moglia about how to correct the problem. Further he stated the Borough and District should keep in touch and the Borough should require some action from the district to correct the situation.

Recreation Advisory Board – No Report

CORRESPONDENCE – On file

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Mr. Sigreto asked Mr. Greiner the status of a new shared cost agreement for the garbage truck. Mr. Greiner stated he had been in communications with Mr. Ciervo from Milford and was told we would have a signed agreement following Milford’s Council Meeting on Thursday, 8 Sep 16.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Motion** by Rose/Losee to pass Ordinance #326 allowing Delaware Valley School District to assume hiring and oversight of school crossing guards in Matamoras Borough. Passed without dissent.
2. **Motion** – by Rose/Greiner to approve Ordinance # 327, the modification of section 67-3 Containers of

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1 Matamoras Borough Code. Passed with Losee dissenting.
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3 3. **Motion** – by Clark/Rose to approve Resolution 2016-007 amended to include First Street. Passed
4 without dissent.
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6 4. **Motion** by Rose/Sigreto to authorize the Secretary to advertise for a public hearing at 1915 hrs. on 1
7 Nov 16 in Borough Hall on adopting a Property Maintenance Ordinance, Ordinance # 328. Passed with
8 Losee dissenting.
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10 5. Mr. Sigreto brought the following observations to Council.

- 11 • Due to bus traffic, there should be no parking on both sides of Seventh Street from
12 Pennsylvania Avenue to Avenue Q from 0800 hrs. to 0930 hrs. and from 1500 hrs. to 1630 hrs.
13 Monday – Friday.
- 14 • He noted that due to the increased foot traffic on Sixth Street and people walking in the
15 middle of the street, it may become necessary in the future to find a way to install sidewalks
16 on Sixth from Pennsylvania Avenue to Avenue Q.

17 Both issues were referred to Public Works and Facilities Committee for action.

- 18 • He expressed his concern over the communications issues at the new school and requested a
19 meeting be set up between the district and all involved parties
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22 There being further business to cover the President adjourned the meeting at 1958 hrs.
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24 Respectfully submitted,
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28 **Robert J. Fitch**
29 Secretary

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Public Hearing Ordinance #326 Crossing Guards
06 Sep 2016

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Present were Joe Sain, Dee Losee, Pete Sigreto, Mark Madsen, Thomas Greiner, Kevin Rose, David Clark, Mayor Janet Clark and Jr. Councilwoman Christine Waszczyzak. Also present were, Solicitor Eric Hamill, Secretary/Zoning Officer Bob Fitch, Treasurer Greg Myer, Jane Drake Tax Collector, EM Coordinator Tom Olver and Fire Chief Tom Long. Assistant Chief Eric Stewart, Recreation President Al Holtzer, and Jr. Councilwomen Timea Strenk were absent. There were approximately 10 members of the general public present.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Lynn Homer – 501 Avenue L, will the crossing guard also be doing any traffic control at the intersection where he is stationed or just stopping traffic for busses? Council directed Mr. Fitch to discuss the situation with Chief Stewart.

There being no further public comment, Mr. Sain adjourned the hearing at 1910 hrs.

Respectfully submitted,



Robert J. Fitch
Borough Secretary

Matamoras Borough Council Minutes
Public Hearing Modification of Section 67-2, Containers
06 Sep 2016

The Public Hearing of the Matamoras Borough Council was called to order at 1900 hrs., Tuesday, 06 Sep 16 by President Sain followed by a salute to the flag.

Present were Joe Sain, Dee Losee, Pete Sigreto, Mark Madsen, Thomas Greiner, Kevin Rose, David Clark and Mayor Janet Clark. Also present were, Solicitor Eric Hamill, Secretary/Zoning Officer Bob Fitch, Treasurer Greg Myer and Jane Drake Tax Collector. Assistant Chief Eric Stewart, Recreation President Al Holtzer, EM Coordinator Tom Olver, Jr. Councilwomen Timea Strenk and Christine Waszczak, and Fire Chief Tom Long, were absent. There were approximately 7 members of the general public present.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Lynn Homer – 501 Avenue L, will there be any exceptions to the two 38-gallon rule, I.E. on holidays? Mr. Greiner told Ms. Homer the Borough will offer 38 Gallon trash bags for sale at the price of \$5.00 per bag.

John Vocci – Avenue N, asked what size can would be allowed, 38-gallon maximum.

Helen Gassmann – 904 Avenue L asked if she would receive a rebate on her taxes since she only outs out one can every other week? NO

Robert Dorko – 501 Avenue G, there is no reason for an increase be are running below budget and the EIT is producing greater than anticipated revenue.

Councilman Clark suggest people use their old oversized trash cans for yard waste. Further, he suggested that they be marked “yard waste” so the DPW crew would not mistake them for trash.

There being no further public comment, Mr. Sain adjourned the hearing at 1910 hrs.

Respectfully submitted



Robert J. Fitch
Borough Secretary