

Meyersdale Municipal Authority Meeting Minutes

Regular Meeting

January 16th, 2024

Executive Meeting 6:00 pm

Regular Meeting 7:00 pm

Don Anderson, Present. Louie Martin, Present. Sandy Miller, Present.
Brian Witherite arrived at 7:25(held up in traffic). Barry Yoder, Present.
Solicitor-Marc Valentine Present.

Motion to go into executive session at 6:02 by Sandy Miller, second by Louie Martin, motion passed by all in favor.

Executive Session-

1. DEP COA Plan
2. Personnel/Board Related items.

7:02 Motion to leave executive session by Louie Martin, second by Sandy Miller, motion passed by all in favor.

Regular meeting opened at 7:06 pm

1. **Public Comment:** None
2. **Old Business**
 - A. Approval of the December 19th, 2023, Regular Meeting Minutes: Louie Martin made the motion to approve, second by Sandy Miller, motion passed by all in favor.
3. **New Business**
 - A. Bills paid report, profit/loss sheet and Bank account balances: Louie Martin made the motion to approve, second by Sandy Miller, motion passed by all in favor.
 - B. Election of officers.
President- Sandy Miller nominated Brian Witherite. Brian accepted. The nomination passed by unanimous vote.
Vice President- Brian Witherite nominated Don Anderson, Don accepted. The nomination passed by unanimous vote.
Secretary- Louie Martin nominated Sandy Miller, Sany accepted. The nomination passed by unanimous vote.
Assistant Secretary- Sandy Miller nominated Louie Martin. Louie accepted. The nomination passed by unanimous vote.
 - C. Travis Anderson (Land Management Game Lands timbering use of MMA property) did not show up to the meeting. He notified Don Anderson that he would not be attending.
 - D. Eye and Dental Insurance: Deb Barron sent quotes for eye and dental insurance. A committee of 3 (Louie Martin, Brian Witherite, and Barry Yoder) will review and bring

suggestions to the next meeting. Sandy Miller recuses due to a conflict of interest, she works for UPMC health plan.

- E. Pressure testing inquiries. The solicitor advised the only people who can access pressure testing information is the person(s) who requested the pressure testing.
- F. Website- the borough council is in the process of developing, when the MMA develops a website, they can link the site through the borough's website. Louie Martin made the motion to start working on a website, Brian Witherite second the motion, motion passed by all in favor.
- G. Project considerations for utilization of grant monies. – DCED will send the packet by mail. Voting to begin the project can start after the information from the DCED is received.
- H. Engage Beer and Ream to audit on the fiscal year July 1st, 2024, through June 30th, 2025. Louie Martin made the motion, Sandy Miller Second the motion. Motion passed by all in favor.
- I. Amend the agenda for clothing allowance – Louie Martin made the motion, Sandy Miller second the motion, motion passed by all in favor.
 - New clothing allowance: Sandy Miller made the motion that the board continue to pay for (5)T shirts per employee on an annual basis, (2) Sweatshirts per employee on a biannual basis (odd year) or as needed and a Coat as needed (no more than 1 coat per every 2 years unless special circumstances are approved by the board). 150.00 work clothes/shoe allowance per employee on an annual basis starting on the fiscal year July 1st through June 30th Receipts for reimbursement will be given to the MMA Secretary. Louie Martin second the motion. Motion passed by all in favor.
- J. DEP COA Fine – Solicitor negotiated fine to 10,000.00. Louie Martin made the motion to pay the fine in the amount of 10,000.00, Brian Witherite second the motion. Motion passed by all in favor.

4. Water and Sewage Report

Terry Baker gave the water and sewage report.

- Terry discussed painting property lines.
- Advised that someone called about taps for the vacant lot beside Food Lion, they are in the developing stages of building a restaurant and requesting cost. The solicitor advised the taps are at basic cost plus any extra footage.
- Hyndman water authority gave Terry a tribometer, Terry checking with Somerset to see if they have any extra for sale.
- The grant through Citgo fell through.
- Terry asked the board about new employees getting scheduled for hepatitis shots, the board told Terry to schedule them.

5. Engineer Report

The engineer's report is available for review at the MMA office.

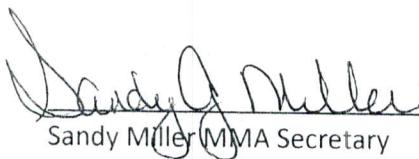
6. **Solicitors Report**

The solicitor advised the board to start thinking about capping the overflow meters on North Street, it is what the DEP wants but there is a risk if we have a large storm, water could overflow into area yards and homes.

Mark is contacting PMAC about the Nursing home on Hospital Drive who is not compliant with pressure testing.

Mark will talk with Secretary Bri to create a mailing to inform residents to make appointments for lead/copper testing.

7. **Adjournment-** 9:45p.m. Louie Martin made the motion to adjourn, Barry Yoder second the motion. Motion passed by all in favor.



Sandy Miller
Sandy Miller MMA Secretary

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