

**MARLINTON TOWN COUNCIL**

January 9, 2023

Regular Meeting Minutes

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Location: Municipal Building Auditorium with Zoom and call-in options.

Mayor Sam Felton called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

The Recorder called the roll.

Present:	Sam Felton, <i>Mayor</i>	B.J. Gudmundsson, <i>Recorder</i>
	Scott Gibb	Joe Smith
	Gail Hyer	Bill McMann
	Chris Curry	

**Reading and Approval of Prior Council Meeting Minutes**

- Scott Gibb made a motion to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting on 12/05/22 as presented; Chris Curry seconded. ***Motion passed.***

**Mayor's Report**

Mayor Felton gave his monthly report which is attached at the end of the minutes.

**Public Input**

None

**Committee and Department Reports**

Officer Ober submitted the Police Department Report and said that he is preparing to attend the Police Academy.

Scott Gibb reported that demolition has begun on the Perrine house on Third Avenue.

It was also reported that a leak in the cemetery water tank had been patched by the company.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS****1. Discuss and/or Act on Selling Town Lot on US Rt. 219**

- Gail Hyer moved to offer for public auction a lot north of the Woodhouse property on Rt. 219 at a minimum bid of \$7,500.00; B. J. Gudmundsson seconded. ***Motion passed.***

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **1. Discuss and/or Act on Billboard at 218 Eighth Street - Zack Chittum**

Zack Chittum addressed Council filing a formal complaint about the billboard on the lot next to his building on Main Street. Code Enforcement Officer Scott Gibb said that the sign complies with the sign ordinance. Mayor Felton told Mr. Chittum that he would send him a copy of the sign ordinance.

No Action

### **2. Discuss and/or Act on Alleyway Beside the S.B. Wallace Building on Third Avenue - Crystal Dean**

Crystal Dean, owner of the S. B. Wallace Building, presented her plans for use of the building and said that access to the second floor would be via doors opening into the alleyway. She also said that she wants to designate part of her Main Street lot as a parking lot. She asked to have the alleyway blocked for safety purposes.

- Chris Curry made a motion to approve placing a pole at each end of the alleyway leaving space for parking behind Alfredo's ; Scott Gibb seconded. ***Motion passed 5 - 1 with Bill McMann voting NO.***

### **3. Discuss and/or Act on Donation to Pocahontas County Free Libraries**

- Joe Smith moved to donate \$500.00 to the Pocahontas County Free Libraries ; Chris Curry seconded. ***Motion passed.***

### **4. Discuss and/or Act on First Reading of Ordinance Enacting a Code of Ordinances for the Town of Marlinton, WV, revising, amending, restating, codifying, and compiling certain existing ordinances of the Town of Marlinton**

- Joe Smith moved to adopt the Ordinance Enacting a Code of Ordinances for the Town of Marlinton on First Reading; Chris Curry seconded. ***Motion passed unanimously.***

### **5. Discuss and/or Act on First Reading of Title IV, Chapter 4, Amended Sign Ordinance**

- Gail Hyer moved to adopt Title IV, Chapter 4, Amended Sign Ordinance on First Reading; Chris Curry seconded. ***Motion passed.***

### **6. Discuss and/or Act on Purchase and Placement of Two Additional Security Cameras**

- Gail Hyer moved to purchase two (2) additional security cameras from SecuriTech costing a maximum of \$5,000.00; Scott Gibb seconded. ***Motion passed unanimously.***

### Approve Invoices/Payment of Bills

- Joe Smith moved to pay the bills; Chris Curry seconded. ***Motion passed.***

### Adjournment

Per motion properly made and seconded, ***the meeting adjourned at 7:58 P.M.***

Respectfully Submitted:

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Sam Felton, Mayor

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B. J. Gudmundsson, Recorder

### MAYORS REPORT FOR FEBRUARY 2023 MTC Meeting:

January 2023 MTC activity Report.

1/2 - HOLIDAY

1/3 – County Commission Meeting

1/4 – Out of Office – calls and texts from the road

1/5 – Out of Office – calls and texts from the road

1/6 – Out of Office – calls and texts from the road

1/9 – Office; MFT, (I asked T.White for help on HomeRule), other, Council Meeting at 7PM

1/10 – typical calls/complaints/emails/filing/other, confirm water reports,

1/11 – Seneca Rocks for a MFT Board meeting (hiring of an Exec. Dir.)

1/12 – Ray & Ruthanna on Peacock Building, T.Ditty w/DEP & POCA, Brdband Mtn, SHARC

1/13 – Out of office

1/16 – HOLIDAY

1/17 – PC Housing Task Force Meeting, County Commission evening Meeting

1/18 – Filing, scheduling, planning

1/19 – Filing, scheduling, planning

1/20 – Filing, scheduling, planning + filing for Election

1/23 – property damage at kiosk on GRT at 9th street, review camera footage, J.Clendenen phone

1/24 – Visitors all morning, scheduling, received chicken complaints (from Hillsboro),

1/25 – Filing, scheduling, planning, (numerous visitors during afternoon), Feamster

1/26 - Filing, scheduling, creative economy zoom, broadband zoom, (stolen chair), Feamster

1/27 – Filing, scheduling, planning, sewer conference call,

1/30 - respond to emails, Filing, scheduling, election filing notice, Tourism webinar,

1/31 - Filing, scheduling leave slips, attend PCC/Region 4 BOE Demo kickoff, LEPC at Library

Note: attend Joe Laskey visitation, a former Town Council member