

**Borough of New Morgan  
Berks County, Pennsylvania**

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Borough Council  
Regular Meeting Minutes

January 7<sup>th</sup>, 2019

The New Morgan Borough Council meeting was advertised for Monday, January 7<sup>th</sup>, 2019 immediately following the Planning Committee Meeting at 7:00pm in the offices of the Borough of New Morgan, 200 Bethlehem Drive, Suite 104, Morgantown, PA.

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by Christopher Weber, President at 7:04 p.m.

**Pledge of Allegiance:** The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Connie Brown-Weber, Mayor.

**Attending Officials:**

Christopher Weber, President  
Tressie M. Marroon, Vice-President  
Doreen Smith, Member  
Connie Brown-Weber, Mayor

**Borough Staff:**

Margie Bishop, Borough Manager/Secretary/Treasurer

**Guests:** Beth Vopper and Ashlyn Whittingham, Southern Berks Land Company; William Bailey, Dylan Bailey and Ian Focht, residents.

**The Borough Council acknowledged the continued appointments for 2019 for the following positions:**

Appointment of Secretary - The current Secretary is Margie Bishop

Appointment of Treasurer – The current Treasurer is Margie Bishop

Appointment of Borough Solicitor – The current Borough Solicitor is Georgeadis Setley

Appointment of Borough Engineer – The current Borough Engineer is Woodrow & Associates

Appointment of Sewage Engineer – The current Sewage Engineer is Ebert Engineering, Inc.

Appointment of Sewage Enforcement Officer – The current SEO is Ebert Engineering, Inc.

Appointment of Borough Code Officer – The current BCO is Technicon.

Appointment of Borough Tax Collectors –

Borough Council will consider reaffirming Resolution of October 14<sup>th</sup>, 2014 appointing Berkheimer of Bangor, Pennsylvania as real estate tax collector.

Borough Council will consider reaffirming Keystone Collections as income tax collector.

Borough Council will consider reaffirming voting delegates for Chester County Tax Collection Committee - These positions are currently filled by Margie Bishop as primary voting delegate and Tressie M. Marroon as alternate voting delegate.

Appointment of Right to Know Officer – The current Right to Know Officer is Margie Bishop

Doreen Smith motioned to approve the continuance of the appointed positions. Tressie M. Marroon seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous. The motion carried.

**Public Comment:** None

**Minutes:** Tressie M. Marroon motioned to approve the minutes from the previous meeting. Doreen Smith seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous. The motion carried.

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**Correspondence:** Informed Council of the following: Technicon Rates will remain the same for 2019. We changed payroll companies from PrimePay to PayChex. I updated commercial package policy through Selective to over twice the policy coverage as we were not properly covered in the past. All public announcements required by law have been completed. Updated contact information was received from Twin Valley Fire Department. A subpoena was received from Dilworth/Paxton regarding Keystone Digital Imaging vs Imagenet and the borough producing documents. However, a second letter was received informing us that we are not obligated to respond until the Court rules on objections filed regarding this matter.

**The following reports were submitted to Borough Council:**

**Codes Enforcement Officer:** Not present.

**Sewage Treatment Plant:** None

**Engineer/SEO:** Not present

**Solicitor:** Not present

**Treasurer:** November Treasurer Reports were presented to Council.

**Borough Manager:** None

**Police:** None

**Fire Department:** The Twin Valley Fire Department monthly report was presented to Council.

**EMS:** The Honey Brook EMS Report was presented to Council.

**Mayor:** None

Doreen Smith motioned to approve the reports as given and Tressie M. Marroon seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous. The motion carried.

**Business:**

- A. The Borough Council considered approval for Margie Bishop, Borough Manager, to attend the 108<sup>th</sup> Annual PSAB Conference in Hershey, PA from June 9<sup>th</sup> through June 12<sup>th</sup>. The cost of this conference is \$275 if registered by May 1<sup>st</sup>. The conference is a requirement of the CBO program and offers 12 credits for attending the full conference; Doreen Smith motioned to approve, Tressie M. Marroon second the motion. The vote was unanimous. The motion carried.
- B. The Borough Council considered approval for obtaining a credit card for New Morgan Borough through Co-Stars, of which NMB is a member. There are no fees or cost for this program; Tressie M. Marroon motioned to approve, Doreen Smith second the motion. The vote was unanimous. The motion carried.
- C. The Borough Council considered approval of the service agreement between the Borough and the Twin Valley Fire Department for 2019 in the amount of \$15,000; Doreen Smith motioned to approve, Tressie M. Marroon second the motion. The vote was unanimous. The motion carried.

The next Regular Meeting of the New Morgan Borough will be held on Monday, February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 7:00 pm. following Planning Committee meeting.

**Adjourn:** Doreen Smith motioned to adjourn the meeting and Tressie M. Marroon seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 7:17 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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*Margie Bishop, Borough Manager/Secretary/Treasurer*