

**Steelton Borough Council Special Meeting Agenda**

March 19, 2019

**Call Meeting to Order:** President Proctor

**Pledge of Allegiance:** President Proctor

**Moment of Silence:** Mayor Marcinko

**Approval of minutes from previous meeting:** None.

**Public Comment on Agenda Items only:**

**Presentations:** None

**Communications:** None

**Unfinished Business:**

Ms. Hodge

**ORDINANCE NO. 2019 -**

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF STEELTON BY ADDING TO CHAPTER 49 "CONDUCT" A NEW ARTICLE VI TO BE ENTITLED "SMALL AMOUNTS OF MARIJUANA (SAM) PILOT PROGRAM," WHICH ARTICLE PROVIDES FOR DEFINITIONS, PROHIBITED ACTS IN RELATION TO THE POSSESSION OF SMALL AMOUNTS OF MARIJUANA AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION OF THE ARTICLE.

**New Business:** None.

**Public Comments:**

**Council Concerns:**

**Executive Session:** To Discuss Police Contract and Personnel Issues Related to Public Works

**Other Business:**

Mr. Proctor

Authorization to Hire Experience Unlimited Band as Headliner for Steelton Fest 2019 at Rate of \$8,000 (Two \$4,000 installments)

Mr. Wion

Consideration of Resolution 2019-R-\_\_\_\_ - Mid - Penn Bank Corporate Authorization Resolution

**Adjournment:**

[Type here]

**Steelton Borough Council Meeting Minutes**  
**March 19, 2019**

Present:

Brian Proctor, President	Maria Marcinko, Mayor
Michael Segina, Vice President	David Wion, Solicitor
Keontay Hodge, President ProTem	Douglas Brown, Borough Manager
Dennis Heefner	Anthony Minium, Fire Chief
Natashia Woods	Aaron Curry, Codes Officer
Elizabeth Palermo, Junior Councilperson	Thommie Leggett-Robinson, Exec. Asst.

Absent with cause: William Krovic, Kelly Kratzer, and Chief Gene Vance

President Proctor called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. He led the body in the Pledge of Allegiance, which was followed by a Moment of Silence let by Mayor Marcinko.

Ms. Hodge introduced an Ordinance which would decriminalize small amounts of marijuana. She stated that the Ordinance has been worked on since late 2016. It has been reviewed by the Police Committee, the Neighborhood & Economic Development Committee and, the Police Chief. Similar Ordinances have been introduced and approved around the Commonwealth. She expressed her view that Steelton should be ready to compete with the world when it comes making sure that it gives persons the opportunity to not be penalized for making certain mistakes. The Ordinance is not legalization of recreational marijuana, rather, lowering the penalty for no more than 30 grams of marijuana or 8 grams of hashish. Further, Ms. Hodge recommends the Ordinance be approved by the Council. Mayor Marcinko and President Proctor spoke in support of the Ordinance. *Ms. Woods moved that Ordinance 2019-2 – An Ordinance To Amend The Code Of The Borough Of Steelton By Adding To Chapter 49 “Conduct” A New Article VI To Be Entitled “Small Amounts Of Marijuana (SAM) Pilot Program,” Which Article Provides For Definitions, Prohibited Acts In Relation To The Possession Of Small Amounts Of Marijuana And Providing Penalties For The Violation Of The Article be approved by the Council. Mr. Segina seconded the motion which was passed by a unanimous vote of the Council.*

**New Business:**

Mr. Proctor requested Council authorize the hire of the Experience Unlimited Band as Headliner for Steelton Fest 2019. *Ms. Hodge moved and Mr. Segina seconded the motion that the Experience Unlimited Band be hired as the headliner for Steelton Fest, scheduled for June 22, 2019, from 4:00 – 9:00 p.m., contingent upon the Solicitor’s review and approval of the contract. The cost of the band will be \$8,000.00, to be paid in two installments. The motion passed by a unanimous vote of Council.*

**Council Concerns:**

Ms. Woods appreciated everyone for coming out and thinks that passing of the Ordinance is a great addition to the things that have been happening in Steelton.

Mr. Heefner, Mr. Wion, and Ms. Palermo had no comments.

Mr. Brown thanked persons for attending the meeting. He stated that passing of the Ordinance showed the Council's willingness to work together to move forward and build a progressive Steelton. He stated that there are a lot of exciting things planned for this year.

Mayor Marcinko thanked persons for coming to the meeting and thanked the Council for being so progressive.

Ms. Hodge thanked persons for attending the meeting and Council for their support as she worked to prepare the Ordinance, and for being forward thinking. She thanked the Police Chief for his support from the beginning of the process. She stated that having a progressive Steelton will place the Borough in a position to bring in economic development and become the Steelton that everyone talks about that is so great. She thanked Mr. Brown for his support and assistance, and her family for their support.

Mr. Segina thanked persons for coming to the meeting, and Ms. Hodge for her patience with him for the last three years as they worked to write the Ordinance.

Mr. Proctor thanked persons for coming to the meeting and for their support. He stated that for the last four years, work has been done to move Steelton forward and think outside the box. He stated that the Borough was the leader in the steel industry and now it has to be the leader in the new industry which is medical marijuana/recreational use of marijuana which he thinks will be instrumental in the Borough's moving up.

*Ms. Hodge moved and Ms. Woods seconded a motion that the meeting be adjourned at 6:15 p.m. The motion passed by a unanimous vote of the Council.*

Respectfully submitted,



Douglas Brown, Secretary