TOWN COUNCIL AGENDA-MINUTES
Regular Council Meeting
Marmet, West Virginia
Monday April 20, 2026, at 7:30 PM

- **CALL TO ORDER**
- **INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- **ROLL CALL of MEMBERS - All present**
- **APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**
  - **Special Meeting 3/5/2026 – Was already approved at previous meeting**
  - **Council Meeting 3/16/2026 – Motion to approved minutes was made by Councilperson Barley. Second made by Councilperson Stone. All voted yes.**
  - **Special Meeting 3/23/2026 – Motion to approved minutes was made by Councilperson Morgan. Second made by Councilperson Barley. All voted yes.**
  - **Special Meeting 3/27/2026 – Motion to approve minutes was made by Councilperson Morgan. Second made by Councilperson Barley. All voted yes.**
  - **Special Meeting 3/31/2026 – Moved to next meeting.**

  Candidate Mike Abrogast was permitted to speak before reports and agenda items. Candidate is running for Kanawha Board of Education. He stated he started as a teacher's aide at age 19 and worked his way through school. Stated he has held several teaching and principal teachings. Candidate stated he has served on several boards and is involved in sports. Believes he will be an asset at Central Office.
- **COMMITTEE & DEPARTMENT REPORTS**
  - **FINANCE – Councilperson Matt Morgan, Chair**
    - Financial Reports Update - Roger Townsend Accountant – Accountant was not present. Checking - $23,108.00 Total Revenues - $146,739.00 Total Expenditures $160,412.00
    - Discussion of Accountant's Contract – Mayor Armentrout – Moved to end of meeting. Went into executive session for personnel matter. Motion made by Councilperson Walker. Second made by Councilperson Barley. All voted yes. During executive session no votes or decisions were made. Motion was made by Councilperson Walker to come out of executive session. Second was made by Councilperson Lyttle. All voted yes.
  - **PUBLIC SAFETY – Councilperson Terry Barley, Chair**
    - Police Department Update - Police Chief Larry Angell just retired. Mayor appointed Sargent Plear as Interim Police Chief and sworn him in the position. Plear provided the police department update. The previous month had multiple thefts, Department was in a pursuit with Kanawha County Sheriff, Felony enforcement, Drug Related Felony, Traffic Citations. Some of the vehicles are having mechanical issues.
    - Code Enforcement Update – Plear stated presently the Police Department are handling code enforcement issues.
    - Discussion on updates on ATV/Golf Cart Ordinance – Mayor Armentrout – Mayor stated we are presently going by state code. Will be checking if we need to amend a current ordinance. Spoke about going to a sticker system where once a year you prove you have a driver's license and insurance to drive a golf cart, ATV, or street legal side by side. Vehicle needs headlights, mirrors, blinkers in working order. Children have a pass a safety course and must have a helmet to ride a 50cc Bike or ATV under 90cc. Must

follow all speed limits, traffic lights, and other traffic signs. Parents will be contacted and responsible for children not following curfew, regulations, laws. There were questions from the public when this will start. Mayor stated hopefully next month. There were questions about curfew. It is 10pm for children under the age of 18. Some asked about the size of vehicles for children. Anything 90cc or above is illegal for children under the age of 16 without a driver's license. Some people discussed the speeders that they see on golf carts and ATVs. Mayor encouraged to report all activity to the police and welcomes residents to send camera footage.

- **INFRASTRUCTURE – Councilperson Chance Walker, Chair**
  - Street Department Update – Brian Higginbotham Street Department Director – Stated they have started their grass cutting season. Director stated he coordinates with the mayor daily. Still working with Engineering regarding 98th street. For 95th Street four of the five inlets are in. Once the last inlet and pipes are received, they are ready to start. There were questions about the no parking signs near Washington Ave. Officer Oden explained when school is in it is a tight area for buses causes traffic jams. Hazard for the Fire Department.
  - Discussion regarding grass and landscape clippings for trash pickup – Mayor Armentrout – Due to the increased landfill fees, street department is no longer accepting grass and yard clippings. These items are bio-gradable. Can bring this to the trailer where the sign is. Will not accept regular trash.
- **PARKS AND RECREATION – Councilperson Michelle Lyttle, Chair**
  - Parks and Recreation Update – Councilperson Michelle Lyttle – Thursday Night is meet the candidates. Rib Fest is at the ballfield on May 7,8, and 9th. Carnival will be May 26, 27, and 28th.
- **PERSONNEL – Councilperson Becky Stone, Chair**
  - Discussion of upcoming retirement for Police Chief – Mayor Armentrout – Chief Retired. Mayor Sworn in Sargent Plear as Interim Police Chief.
- **NEW BUSINESS:**
- **Ordinance to amend Article 931**.24(c). Penalty for late payments and liens against property – Mayor Armentrout. Recorder Long read ordinance. No questions or changes. Moved to Second Reading.
- **Ordinance to amend Article 181**.06 (a). For Municipal Court to hold sessions as specified by Judge. – Mayor Armentrout - Recorder Long read ordinance. No questions or changes. Moved to Second Reading.
- Discussion of process of changing the town election cycle. – Mayor Armentrout – Town Attorney stated he will work with Vera McCormick to get the process started.

- **OLD BUSINESS – None**

- **GOOD AND WELFARE**
  - Council – None
  - Public - No further questions.
- **ADJOURNMENT – Motion to adjourn made by Councilperson Walker. Second made by Councilperson Lytlle. Meting adjourned.**

Mayor: Francis Cantrell

Recorder: Teresa Long

Marmet Town Council Voting Record

Date: 4/20/24

Item: Approval 3/16/24 Minutes Regular Meeting

Motion: Barley

Second: Stone

Vote:	Yes	No	Abstain	Reason For Abstention
Councilperson Barley	✓			
Councilperson Lyttle	✓			
Councilperson Morgan	✓			
Councilperson Stone	✓			
Councilperson Walker	✓			
Recorder Teresa Long	✓			
Mayor Frances Armentrout	✓			

Marmet Town Council Voting Record

Date: 4/20/26

Item: Minutes Special Meeting 3/23/26

Motion: Morgan

Second: Barley

Vote:	Yes	No	Abstain	Reason For Abstention
Councilperson Barley	✓			
Councilperson Lyttle	✓			
Councilperson Morgan	✓			
Councilperson Stone	✓			
Councilperson Walker	✓			
Recorder Teresa Long	✓			
Mayor Frances Armentrout	✓			

Marmet Town Council Voting Record

Date: 4/20/26

Item: Special Meeting Minutes 3/27/26

Motion: Morgan

Second: Barley

Vote:	Yes	No	Abstain	Reason For Abstention
Councilperson Barley	✓			
Councilperson Lyttle	✓			
Councilperson Morgan	✓			
Councilperson Stone	✓			
Councilperson Walker	✓			
Recorder Teresa Long	✓			
Mayor Frances Armentrout	✓			

Marmet Town Council Voting Record

Date: 4/20/26

Item: First Reading. Article 931

Motion: Pass to 2nd reading

Second: _____

Vote:	Yes	No	Abstain	Reason For Abstention
Councilperson Barley				
Councilperson Lyttle				
Councilperson Morgan				
Councilperson Stone				
Councilperson Walker				
Recorder Teresa Long				
Mayor Frances Armentrout				

Marmet Town Council Voting Record

Date: 4/20/24

Item: First Reading 181 Article

Motion: Pass to 2nd Reading

Second: _____

Vote:	Yes	No	Abstain	Reason For Abstention
Councilperson Barley				
Councilperson Lyttle				
Councilperson Morgan				
Councilperson Stone				
Councilperson Walker				
Recorder Teresa Long				
Mayor Frances Armentrout				

Marmet Town Council Voting Record

Date: 4/20/26

Item: Executive Session - Personnel Matter

Motion: Walker

Second: Barley

Vote:	Yes	No	Abstain	Reason For Abstention
Councilperson Barley	✓			
Councilperson Lyttle	✓			
Councilperson Morgan	✓			
Councilperson Stone	✓			
Councilperson Walker	✓			
Recorder Teresa Long	✓			
Mayor Frances Armentrout	✓			

Marmet Town Council Voting Record

Date: 4/20/24

Item: Vote to Come Out Executive Session

Motion: Walker

Second: Lyttle

Vote:	Yes	No	Abstain	Reason For Abstention
Councilperson Barley	✓			
Councilperson Lyttle	✓			
Councilperson Morgan	✓			
Councilperson Stone	✓			
Councilperson Walker	✓			
Recorder Teresa Long	✓			
Mayor Frances Armentrout	✓			