

**Montgomery Borough Biennial Organization Council Meeting
January 3, 2022**

**This meeting was not done by zoom.

Mayor Alexander called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.

- I. All rose for Pledge of Allegiance.
- II. Roll call was taken: Jeff Frey-A, Josh Geiger-A, Laurel Green-P, Margaret Mathis-P, C. Roger McRae-P, Rocky Sanguedolce-A and Clayton Steward-P. Also present were Borough Coordinator Donna Miller, Solicitor Tom Marshall and Mayor Ed Alexander.

Mayor Alexander stated no executive session(s) have been held.

- III. Public Concerns: Resident Ruth Little commented about the garbage trouble near her residence.
- IV. Vote for President. Nominations were open for President of Council. Nominations were as follows:
Clay Steward was nominated by Laurel Green, second by Clayton Steward; Rocky Sanguedolce was nominated by Roger McRae, second by Margaret Mathis. A motion was made by Clayton Steward to close nominations, second by Laurel Green. Motion carried.
A roll call vote was taken for Clay Steward for President; Jeff Frey-absent, Josh Geiger-absent; Laurel Green-yes; Margaret Mathis-no; Roger McRae-no; Rocky Sanguedolce-absent; Clayton Steward-yes. The vote was two-yes; two-no and three-absent for Clayton Steward. A roll call vote was taken for Rocky Sanguedolce for President; Jeff Frey-absent; Josh Geiger-absent; Laurel Green-no; Margaret Mathis-yes; Roger McRae-yes; Rocky Sanguedolce-absent; Clayton Steward-no. The vote was two-yes; two-no and three-absent. This resulted in a tie, which Mayor Edward Alexander broke voting for Rocky Sanguedolce as the new Borough Council President.

Vote for Vice-President. Nominations were open for Vice President. Clayton Steward was nominated by Laurel Green; second by Clayton

Steward; Roger McRae was nominated by Margaret Mathis, second by Roger McRae. A motion was made by Laurel Green to close nominations, second by Clayton Steward. Motion carried. A roll call vote was taken for Clayton Steward for Vice-President. Jeff Frey-absent; Joshua Geiger-absent; Laurel Green-yes; Margaret Mathis-no; Roger McRae-no; Rocky Sanguedolce-absent; Clayton Steward-yes. The vote was two-yes; two-no and three absent. A roll call vote was taken for Roger McRae. Jeff Frey-absent; Joshua Geiger-absent; Laurel Green-no; Margaret Mathis-yes; Roger McRae-yes; Rocky Sanguedolce-absent; Clayton Steward-no. The vote was two-yes, two-no and three absent. This resulted in a tie, which Mayor Edward Alexander broke voting for Clayton Steward as the new Borough Council Vice-President.

At this time, due to the absence of President Sanguedolce; Vice-President Steward presided over the remainder of the meeting.

Vote for President Pro-Tem. Nominations were open for President Pro Tem of Council. Nominations were as follows:

Laurel Green was nominated by Clayton Steward, second by Laurel Green; Roger McRae was nominated by Margaret Mathis, second by Roger McRae. A motion was made by Laurel Green to close nominations; second by Margaret Mathis. Motion carried. A roll call vote was taken for Laurel Green for President Pro-Tem. Jeff Frey-absent; Josh Geiger-absent; Laurel Green-yes; Margaret Mathis-no; Roger McRae-no; Rocky Sanguedolce-absent; Clayton Steward-yes. The vote was two-yes; two-no and three-absent. A roll call vote was taken for Roger McRae for President Pro Tem. Jeff Frey-absent; Josh Geiger-absent; Laurel Green-no; Margaret Mathis-yes, Roger McRae-yes, Rocky Sanguedolce-absent, Clayton Steward-no. The vote was two-yes; two-no and three-absent. This resulted in a tie, which Mayor Edward Alexander broke the tie, voting for Roger McRae as the new Borough Council President Pro Tem.

- V. Fire Department Report. None
- VI. EMA Report. None; but the 2021 audit was included in the Council packet.

- VII. Approval of December 14, 2021 Minutes. A motion was made by Margaret Mathis to accept; second by Laurel Green. Motion carried.
- VIII. Approval of November 2021 Treasurer's Report. A motion was made by Laurel Green to accept; second by Margaret Mathis. Motion carried.
Approval of December 2021 Treasurer's Report. Tabled until next month's meeting.
- IX. Code Enforcement's Officer's Report. Donna Miller stated due to Fred Grasty's main job, he will no longer be doing the Codes Enforcement for the Borough as of January 3, 2022. This job will be posted.
- X. Solicitor's Report. Atty. Tom Marshall had nothing to report.
- XI. Police Report. Chief Cassel had nothing to report.
- XII. Mayor's Report. Mayor Alexander requested an executive session after the meeting to discuss personal matters, a decision will be made after the session.
- XIII. Borough Coordinator's Report. Donna Miller reported on the following:
-The Borough will be picking up Christmas trees until January 28, 2022.
- State Ethics forms were handed out and need to be returned by March 2022.
-She will do doing a webinar on Wednesday, January 19th at 10am for the First Community Foundation Partnership-this is the grant program for the park
-The maintenance/water job position has been posted.
-In November 2021, the River Valley Transit agreement was discussed for the coming year, it increased to \$825.57 yearly. The agreement was ready to sign and be returned.
- XIV. Committee Report-Appointing new Committee members (see attached sheet) This is tabled until the meeting of February 8, 2022.

XV. Old Business

Resignation of Council Member Jeff Frey Jr.. A motion was made by Laurel Green to accept this resignation; second by Roger McRae. Motion carried.

XVI. New Business

Appointments:

1. Solicitor-McNerney, Page, Vanderline & Hall-Jonathan DeWald-A motion was made by Margaret Mathis to accept; second by Roger McRae. Motion carried.
2. Planning Commission-Gary Yocum and Rocky Sanguedolce. A motion was made by Laurel Green to accept, second by Roger McRae. Motion carried.
3. Zoning Board-Charlie Kroft, Heather Garrison, Katie Cox. A motion was made by Laurel Green to accept, second by Margaret Mathis. Motion carried.
4. Depository-Muncy Bank & Trust Co.- Motion by Laurel Green to appoint Muncy Bank& Trust Co., second by Margaret Mathis. Motion carried.
5. Engineer-Larson Design Group. Motion by Roger McRae to appoint Larson Design Group, second by Laurel Green. Motion carried.
6. Secretary-Angela Adams. Motion by Margaret Mathis to appoint Angela Adams; second by Laurel Green. Motion carried.
7. Assistant Secretary & Treasurer-Donna J. Miller. Motion by Laurel Green to appoint Donna J. Miller.; second by Margaret Mathis. Motion carried.
8. Chief Executive Administrator for Pension. Motion by Margaret Mathis to appoint Angela Adams, second by Laurel Green. Motion carried.
9. Newspaper of Record. Motion by Laurel Green to appoint Sun-Gazette and East Lycoming Shopper; second by Margaret Mathis. Motion carried.
- 10.EMA- Motion by Laurel Green to donate \$3,750 annually; second by Roger McRae. Motion carried.
- 11.SPCA-Motion by Margaret Mathis to donate \$750 annually; second by Laurel Green. Motion carried.

12. Set Remainder Meeting Dates. Motion by Laurel Green to meet the second Tuesday of each month at 6:30pm beginning February 8, 2022 with work sessions Mondays if needed; second by Margaret Mathis. Motion carried. The remaining dates are March 8, April 12, May 10, June 14, July 12, August 9, September 13, October 11, November 8, December 13, 2022.

**NO Work sessions in February, March and November 2022; due to first Monday is the day before the second Tuesday.

XVII. Public Comments. Resident Ruth Little asked since there is no Codes Officer at the present time, who would be contacted for issues. Donna Miller replied as Codes Inc. would be the ones to contact, as they were in the past. A question was asked if the Police Department could do some of the violations if needed.

A motion was made at 7:02pm to enter Executive Session for personnel by Laurel Green; second by Margaret Mathis, with a decision made after. Motion carried.

The meeting resumed at 7:22pm with a motion by Laurel Green, second by Margaret Mathis. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Laurel Green to table the Uniform (Police) contract until the February 8, 2022 meeting until everything is in writing and can be reviewed, second by Margaret Mathis. Motion carried.

XVIII. Adjournment. A motion was made by Laurel Green to adjourn at 7:23pm; second by Roger McRae. Motion carried.



Donna J. Miller
Borough Coordinator

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