

**Montgomery Borough Council**  
**March 8, 2022**

\*\*Meeting was conducted publicly at Borough Hall and by Zoom.

- President Sanguedolce called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.
- I. All recited the Pledge of Allegiance.
  - II. Roll call was taken: Joshua Geiger-P, Laurel Green-P, Margaret Mathis-P, C. Roger McRae-P, Rocky Sanguedolce-P. Also present were Borough Coordinator Donna Miller, Mayor Edward Alexander and Solicitor Jonathan Dewald.  
  
\*Report on Executive Session(s)-A session was held prior to this meeting for personnel matters.
  - III. Fire Department Report. Chief Brad Feaster reviewed the written report as follows: The Department is still monitoring the Covid-19 standard of operation; the community cases have been slowly decreasing. The Department thanked the Borough residents for donating baskets to help out the Laporte Fire Department; their president was in a motor vehicle accident; the Laporte Department helped our Department last year with blow up jump houses when our ride vendor never showed up. The department would like to sit down with the Safety committee to discuss putting in some dry hydrants within the Borough. There was a total of 16 calls in February; Fundraiser is the BBQ Chicken on March 12<sup>th</sup>; on February 22<sup>nd</sup>, 10 members were trained on drafting at the park with Rescue-13. The Carnival company that was going to be used cannot do the Carnival; other vendors are being looked into. The Department wants to thank the community for all the support and is always open for new volunteers.
  - IV. EMA Report. Greg Gruver had nothing more to report other than the written report.
  - V. Public Concerns.  
Ruth Little asked what could be done with the garbage trouble; with dumpsters over flowing. This is a codes issue; the codes position will soon be advertised.
  - VI. Approve February 8, 2022 Meeting Minutes. A motion was made by Laurel Green to approve; second by Roger McRae. Motion carried.
  - VII. Approve January 2022 Treasurer's Report. A motion was made by Laurel Green to approve; second by Margaret Mathis. Motion carried.  
Approve February 2022 Treasurer's Report-Tabled until next months' meeting.
  - VIII. Code Enforcement Officer's Report. Donna Miller reported nothing from Codes Inspections.

- IX. Solicitor's Report. Solicitor Dewald stated a reply letter for the 2021 audit will be sent to the Auditor Richard Lowe.
- X. Police Report. Chief Cassel reviewed the written report for February 2022. Mayor Alexander asked for an update on the radar training.
- XI. Mayor's Report. Mayor Alexander stated a meeting was held with the residents that are having a cat issue; the home owner is going to try a cat spray.
- XII. Borough Coordinator's Report. Donna Miller reported on the following:
1. A new maintenance/water employee was hired, Robert Koch and started on Monday, March 7, 2022.
  2. The Little League bridge crossing Adams Creek is now opened, but will be monitored if more high water.
  3. The grant was applied for the Park roofs.
  4. Met with sales representative from Ely Associates for park play equipment.
  5. Cinders will be picked up when the weather breaks.
  6. The Dodge dump truck is back in service.
  7. Information from EMA will be given for NIMS Training for Council
  8. Received a letter of interest for the Council vacancy from Ruth Little, this will be voted on at next months' meeting.
  9. Will let Council know if work session in April 2022.
- XIII. Committee Report.
- Summer Alive Program-Councilwoman Mathis stated a meeting was held with LuAnn Potter, the program will not be providing food, they will be limited to 25 kids; with a "lottery" system for participation; one week it would be 5-7 age group; then the next 8-10 age group. Councilwoman Green just received more information and will report more next month.
  - Montgomery Community Development Committee-None
  - Public Works: Streets, Sidewalks, Parking Lots, Water Authority etc.- Donna Miller stated no new updates on the water projects.
  - Parks/Recreation/Vacant Lots-Councilwoman Green stated the next meeting will be Tuesday, March 15 at 6:30pm at Riverside. On April 23 at 2pm Susquehanna Greenways will be here to help with a river clean up. 4<sup>th</sup> of July Business advertisements during the fireworks will soon be done; Laurel will get the form to Donna for mailing. Vendors will be from 5-9pm and Laurel will talk with Greg Gruver about DJ and or bands.
  - General Administration/Labor Relations-The Police contract is being worked on.
  - Public Safety: Police/Fire/EMA-None
  - Budget/Finance Committee-A meeting will be Thursday, March 10 at 9am.
  - West Branch Regional Authority Representative-Rocky Sanguedolce stated WBRA will not be inspecting laterals in Montgomery for this year.
  - Holiday Committee-Councilwoman Mathis stated the activities for Valentine's Day went well, and there is a jelly bean guessing contest for St Patrick's Day. The craft events are well attended. The Lucky Leprechaun Scavenger Hunt will be

Saturday, March 19 from 12-5, there will no Easter Parade this year, but they are in need of a Bunny costume. There will be a Tween-Teen egg hunt on April 16<sup>th</sup>; donations are needed. The Holiday committee would like to start fundraising for upcoming events. The monthly newsletters are located in different places in Montgomery, if any events or items wanted published; contact Margaret.

- Planning & Development-None
- Vacancy Board Committee-None
- Zoning Board-None

XIV. Old Business.

1. Uniform Employee Contract 2022-2024-This was tabled until next months' meeting.

XV. New Business.

1. Inspection Ordinance- Some discussion was held on this; this will be discussed more at next months' meeting.
2. Animal Problem. This was discussed under the Mayor Report.

XVI. Public Comments. Councilman McRae stated the last indoor skate will be Saturday, April 9<sup>th</sup>, the Lions Egg Hunt will be April 16<sup>th</sup> at 1pm and the 5K Race will be April 23<sup>rd</sup> @ 9am.

Troy Kitner from TK Tackle/Link'd Outdoorz stated they will be cleaning up Black Hole Creek and the creek bank at Heritage Park on April 23<sup>rd</sup> in preparation of the free under 16 fishing derby on May 7 from 9-noon, registration from 7:30-9am; approximately 400 trout will be stocked in this area. Prizes and two free fish mounts for the largest fish caught will be given. State fishing rules will be followed. Also some discussion was held on doing events at the Park on Mother's Day.

President Sanguedolce thanked everyone for what they are doing and promote these events and also stated there is still Council seats available.

XVII. Adjournment. Motion was made by Margaret Mathis to adjourn the meeting at 7:04 pm; second by Laurel Green. Motion carried.

Members of the public present at the commencement of the meeting are set forth on the sign in sheet attached to these minutes as "Exhibit A". Attached



Donna J. Miller  
Borough Coordinator

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