Montgomery Borough Council January 10, 2023

**Meeting was conducted by zoom and publicly at Borough Hall.

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, Ruth Little-P, Margaret Mathis-P, C. Roger McRae-P, Rocky Sanguedolce-P, Gary Yocum Jr-A. Also present were Borough Coordinator Donna Miller; and Solicitor Jonathan Dewald.
 - *Report on Executive Session(s)-None
- III. Fire Department Report. Brad Feaster reviewed the written monthly report and the 2022 yearly report.
- IV. EMA Report. Dennis Gruver handed in a monthly report for review and had nothing more to report.
- V. Public Concerns. Hugh Sellard; owner of 10 Broad Street, handed in a complaint form for 8 Broad Street; Donna Miller stated she had sent the previous ones to Codes Inc and they were both unfounded; trash cans were full but with lids, no noticeable smell and garbage bags in the truck were not overflowing. The wrong way parking was a Police issue.
- VI. Approve December 13, 2022 Meeting Minutes. A motion was made by Margaret Mathis to approve; second by Laurel Green. Motion carried.
- VII. Approve November 2022 Treasurer's Report. A motion was made by Laurel Green to approve; second by Margaret Mathis. Motion carried. Approve December 2022 Treasurer's Report-Tabled until next months' meeting.
- VIII. Code Enforcement Officer's Report. Donna Miller stated no update report was received from Codes Inspections. A Labor committee meeting will be held on Monday, January 23, 2023 at 6pm to discuss the hiring of Joe Lyons for this position.
- IX. Solicitor's Report. Solicitor DeWald had nothing to report.
- X. Police Report. Chief Cassel reviewed the written report. The new hire should be starting in February 2023. Councilman McRae asked if citations were written for the wrong way parking; Chief Cassel replied no; but 20-22 parking tickets for snow were written. Councilwoman Little asked about the hiring of another Officer; Donna Miller replied as ads were placed and the response goes to the Mayor's email. Chief Cassel also stated he has contacted graduates of Mansfield

University for hiring.

XI. Mayor's Report. None

- XII. Borough Coordinator's Report. Donna Miller reported the following:
 - The Little League roof should soon be started
 - -Christmas trees are being picked up; ending Wednesday, February 1st
 - -The light was installed at the skateboard park; costing approximately \$2500.00
 - -The office is being painted and possibly morals/pictures placed on the walls. Security changes will be made in the front office.
 - -A email was received from Bixler Company for the 2023 Fireworks; the price increased to \$11,000 per year if a 3 year contract is signed; Brady and Clinton Twp split the cost for this; if no donations were received the most would be \$3667; Councilwoman Green stated the fundraising that the Park and Rec committee does should be taken off the Borough's share of the cost. A suggestion was stated to look at other companies.

XIII. Committee Report.

- -Nature CAMP Program-None
- -Montgomery Community Development Committee-None
- -Public Works: Streets, Sidewalks, Parking Lots, Water Authority etc.- Donna Miller had nothing new to report.
- -Parks/Recreation/Vacant Lots-Councilwoman Green stated the next Park and Rec meeting will be Tuesday, January 17th at Riverside at 6:30pm; they will be working on Riverfest which will be the weekend of June 17, 2023. Open skate has started; with 3 kids attending; this will be every Saturday from 1-3pm. A flyer will be done to be placed in the newsletter.
- -General Administration/Labor Relations-Meeting on Monday, January 23 at 6pm to discuss hiring of the Codes Officer.
- -Public Safety: Police/Fire/EMA-A meeting was held about the ongoing operations of the local fire departments.
- -Budget/Finance Committee-None
- -West Branch Regional Authority Representative-Rocky Sanguedolce had nothing new to report. Councilman McRae asked about the rate increase; Donna Miller explained about the billing; as the new monthly rate of \$63 will be on the next billing.
- -Holiday Committee-Councilwoman Mathis thanked the Holiday judges; all prizes were picked up; this committee is taking January off to prepare for upcoming events.
- -Planning & Development-None
- -Vacancy Board Committee-None
- -Zoning Board-None
- XIV. Old Business. None
- XV. New Business.
 - 1. Resolution 2023-1-10 Traffic Signal Maintenance Agreement. A motion was made by Ruth Little to accept this agreement; second by Roger McRae.

Motion carried.

XVI. Public Comments.

-Josh Geiger asked about the Comcast cable that is rolled up in a dead tree by the Presbyterian Church; he was told to contact Concast about this;

-Roger McRae asked who was having the Luau party; Margaret Mathis explained anything that states MAPL; is the Montgomery Area Public Library.

-Brad Feaster will be setting up a meeting with EMA Coordinator Kelli Robinson in February for all elected Officials

XVII. Adjournment. Motion was made by Laurel Green to adjourn the meeting at 6:55 pm; second by Margaret Mathis. 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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