

**Montgomery Borough Council**  
**March 10, 2026**

\*\*Meeting was conducted 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 Steve Cook-P, Donald Gordner-P, Sean Jamison-P, Ruth Little-P; Margaret Mathis-P, Craig Miller-A-arrived at 6:36pm; and Rocky Sanguedolce-P . Also, present were Borough Coordinator Donna Miller; Solicitor Jonathan Dewald and Mayor Ken Bennett.  
  
\*Report on Executive Session(s)-None
- III. Fire Department Report. Chief Brad Feaster reviewed the report. The Chicken BBQ was a success; sold out of 260 halves. MVFC received smoke detectors from the Red Cross, MVFC must install them; Chief Feaster will be working on flyers for this; no CO detectors were received. March 24<sup>th</sup> MVFC will be doing Con-Ed to add CPAP and Nebulizers to the Ambulance; also they are working on adding EPI pens to the ambulance for severe allergic reactions.
- IV. EMA Report. Greg Gruver reviewed the written report. The Red Cross will be doing a Thunderbolt training and Mass shelter setup in the upcoming months.
- V. Public Concerns. None
- VI. Approve February 10, 2026 Meeting Minutes. A motion was made by Donald Gordner to approve; second by Ruth Little. Motion carried.
- VII. Approve January 2026 Treasurer's Report. Ruth Little asked about the charges for Right to Know Requests; Donna Miller replied as it depends on the amount of time the Solicitor needs. Ruth Little asked Attorney DeWald about Right to Knows from Council members; Attorney DeWald stated individual Council members must submit a Right to Know; but if a Borough Committee would like information; no Right to Know needs to be done; but it must come from the Committee Chairperson. A motion was made by Donald Gordner to approve; second Steve Cook. Motion carried.  
Approve February 2026 Treasurer's Report-Tabled until next month's meeting.
- VIII. Code Enforcement Officer's Report. Brittnee Vann introduced herself to the new Council members and reviewed the report. Ruth Little asked about the fines/violations of the past snow storms. Brittnee stated letters did go out for shoveling; and it was monitored about the automobiles on the streets during plowing. Donna Miller stated the Maintenance guys only had one vehicle on the street that was difficult to plow around; they talked to the resident, problem was resolved. Ruth was instructed to call the Codes office if she has problems with

parking. Rocky Sanguedolce asked about 19 W Houston Ave; he was instructed to call and talk to Joe Lyons at Codes. Ruth Little asked about the LDI property; Brittnee stated they do have a permit for doing business for the vehicles; Joe Lyons has been in contact with the owner about the rubbish. Ruth Little asked for an update on the property on Broad St/1<sup>st</sup> Street; Brittnee stated the camper must be moved every 6 months; this could be just moving it from one spot to another on the property.

- IX. Solicitor's Report. Solicitor DeWald will report under New Business
- X. Mayor's Report. Mayor Bennett had nothing to report.
- XI. Borough Coordinator's Report. Donna Miller reported the following:
- The Lions will be having their annual Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 4, 2026 @ 1pm at Montgomery Park; a donation letter was received today for this; this will be on the April agenda.
  - New Covenant Church will be doing an Easter display at Memorial Park.
  - A bench was donated by the Montgomery CDC by Amber Wilt and placed in Memorial Park; this was done by collecting plastic bags.
  - the 9-11 Memorial Ride approval letter was sent
  - Montgomery boat ramp bid opening will be Friday, March 13; this was extended for a week due to the paving upgrade.
  - Contractors will be moving equipment on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Street lot for the bridge project; they are paying \$500 monthly rent.
  - Tanner Wagner will be working on his Eagle Scout project; making raised bed gardens for Footprints; he will be using a Park Pavilion for this on April 11, 2026
  - The cost of the fireworks went down to \$12,650.00; due to the Supreme Court overruling some tariffs; a one year only contract will be signed due to costs; donation letters were sent out on March 1<sup>st</sup>; no donations as of this date.
  - Happy Birthday Thursday to Mayor Ken Bennett!!!
- XII. Committee Report.
- Public Works: Streets, Sidewalks, Parking Lots, Water Authority etc.- Brook Street. Donna Miller replied all the projects for Water Authority are moving along. Ruth Little would like to discuss the Ordinance for making Brook Street a fire lane. Ruth Little stated Brook Street is not the only narrow street in the Borough; Donald Gordner stated that fire trucks etc can make it through the other streets. Attorney DeWald was asked about quorums at committee meetings; he replied that if all Council comes to a committee meeting, what is the point of having committees. Committees are done to address concerns and then brought back to all Council for review. Margaret Mathis stated this Ordinance was discussed and passed at prior meetings, posted and the residents were sent letters, why is Council readdressing this. Steve Cook stated that a Council field trip should be done; by taking a fire truck; ladder truck etc and trying to get through Brook Street. Steve Cook showed pictures of vehicles parked on both sides of the street, prior to this meeting. Who will enforce parking???. a question was asked where do these people park during snow storms?; they use the parking lot on W Houston Ave. Steve Cook, Chairman of the Street Committee will set up a meeting to discuss and bring back to Council recommendations.

-Parks/Recreation/Holiday/Event. Margaret Mathis had nothing for Parks/Recreation. Holiday/Event committee on Saturday, April 4 at 6pm there will be a Teen Tween Egg hunt at the Carnival grounds. The Library on August 22, 2026 will be having an Open Air Book Fair at the Park from 10am-1pm; July 25, 2026 will be the annual Fireman in the Park in Heritage Park at 1pm; with ice cream!!

-General Administration/Labor Relations-None

-Public Safety: Fire/EMA-None

-Budget/Finance Committee-None

-West Branch Regional Authority Representative-Rocky Sanguedolce will report under New Business.

XIII. Old Business. None

Ruth Little asked about brush pick up; Donna Miller stated she has not decided if the brush pile will be open or not due to the fire last year and with all the upcoming projects for the maintenance; Ruth asked about hydrant flushing; Donna Miller stated that is a Water Authority question but flushing will be in April.

XIV. New Business.

1. Ordinance for Condemnation of Property resulting from capping of Sewer-1<sup>st</sup> Reading. Donna Miller explained this is when WBRA caps a sewer for nonpayment and then Codes Professionals can condemn the property. A motion was made by Steve Cook; second by Ruth Little. Motion carried.

XV. Public Comments: Steve Cook stated there will be a Summer Kick-Off party at the carnival grounds on June 20<sup>th</sup> from 2pm-10pm; on March 17<sup>th</sup> there will be a parade for the wrestling team; pick up at school will be 3:15; no parade route as of yet. Ruth Little asked Margaret Mathis about the monthly newsletter. Margaret stated she has been doing the newsletter for 4 years; her life has changed now and she cannot do it; Margaret does not appreciate being harassed about having it done by the first of the month. Ruth Little asked for a 5 minute meeting with Rocky and Jonathan. Michael Gruver asked if the Borough could give residents time before the Borough pick up stones/gravel. He also had questions about the out of service fire hydrants; Steve Cook replied to this. Ruth Little asked about a map of the fire hydrants; Steve Cook replied as the Fire Departments have maps. Gary Yocum Jr thanked the MVFC for their excellent chicken and cookies!

XVI. Adjournment. Motion was made by Steve Cook to adjourn the meeting at 7:10 pm; second by Donald Gordner. 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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