

Montgomery Borough Council
August 11, 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-A, Ruth Little-P; Margaret Mathis-P, Craig Miller-P; and Rocky Sanguedolce-P . Also, present were Borough Coordinator Donna Miller; Solicitor Jonathan Dewald and Mayor Ken Bennett.

*Report on Executive Session(s)-President Sanguedolce stated an executive session was held prior to this meeting to discuss the sale of Police guns/equipment.
- III. Fire Department Report. Steve Cook stated nothing more to report than on the written report.
- IV. EMA Report. Greg Gruver reviewed the written report. Photos of the latest rain event were reviewed. Ruth Little thanked them for the reporting of the recent storm events and thanked the Fire Department for the assisting at the recent gas leak on Broad Street.
- V. Public Concerns. Margaret Mathis answered the concerns about speeding that was brought up last month, a button activated pedestrian cross walk possibly could be done; this cannot due to being a state highway, Craig Miller will look into contacting the State on what can be done; reducing truck traffic; speeding etc. Margaret Mathis also talked about the sidewalks on Main Street, could the trees be cut down and planters installed??? Ruth Little asked about the storm drains, Donna Miller replied as the ones on Montgomery Street and the one at Broad/2nd Street are done but others have to be done. Cinders/salt will be spread as usual. A discussion was held as to hire part time employee or contact the Pre release center.
- VI. Approve July 14, 2026 Meeting Minutes. A motion was made by Margaret Mathis to approve; second by Donald Gordner. Motion carried.
- VII. Approve June 2026 Treasurer's Report. A motion was made by Donald Gordner to approve; second Margaret Mathis. Motion carried.
Approve July 2026 Treasurer's Report-Tabled until next month's meeting.
- VIII. Code Enforcement Officer's Report. Brittany Vann reviewed the report and stated nothing "wild" is going on; rental inspections have started. Donna Miller stated

she is getting tired of how the Borough looks etc., it seems the same properties nothing is being done, she asked for Joe to be here, but he wasn't. It was decided by Council that Donna Miller will contact Joe Lyons that they request his attendance at next month's meeting and possibly a 30 day notice to terminate will be done.

- IX. Solicitor's Report. Solicitor DeWald had nothing new to report.
- X. Mayor's Report. Mayor Bennett thanked the EMA and Fire Departments for what they do. He is glad the river bridge is shut down, peaceful!!!
- XI. Borough Coordinator's Report. Donna Miller reported the following:
- Montgomery Street is completed
 - Montgomery River bridge project is started, completion weather permitting mid September/October
 - Thank you to Dennis Gruver/Steve Cook in helping getting the drug box emptied
 - Update on boat ramp; out for bids-August 7; open bids-September 2; reward-September 8th.
 - Fireworks 2026 Total cost was \$12,650; total donations of \$2,501; balance of \$3383.00 split between Borough, Brady and Clinton Townships, invoices were sent, donations were down this year due to an organization just gave the donation to the two townships; the Borough occurs extra expenses; garbage, advertising, porta potties, postage and set up and clean up; these expenses were not past on to the townships. The cost of 2027 Fireworks will be determined after the first of year.
 - Sean Jamison resignation of Council was received to late for this months meeting, this will be accepted at the September 2026 meeting.
 - Santa on the Fire truck will be Saturday, December 12th at noon; reindeer will be at the Santa house from 1-4pm; and Mrs. Claus will be there; more information and confirmation next month. EMA was asked if they would like to sell drinks/food; Greg stated he will asked and get back.
- XII. Committee Report.
- Public Works: Streets, Sidewalks, Parking Lots, Water Authority etc.- None
 - Parks/Recreation/Holiday/Event. Margaret Mathis stated a Halloween house decorating contest will be done; more details to follow; she thanked the Fire Department for the "Water Day" of July 25th; the Library will be having a back to school clothing giveaway on Sunday August 16th from 2-5pm; new roof fundraiser will be the "Open Air book Fair" an August 22nd from 10-1; rain date August 23 at Park; 41 authors, 1 publisher, food vendors and more.
 - General Administration/Labor Relations-None
 - Public Safety: Fire/EMA-None
 - Budget/Finance Committee-None; budget will start September/October
 - West Branch Regional Authority Representative-Rocky Sanguedolce stated there was a change in leadership, they are looking for a new Executive Director.
- XIII. Old Business.

1. Police Guns. Steve Cook stated Watsontown Chief Chris Snyder came and looked at the inventory of Police guns/equipment. Little Sportsmen Gun Shop will be contacted to catalog the items and price them, more information about this at next months meeting.

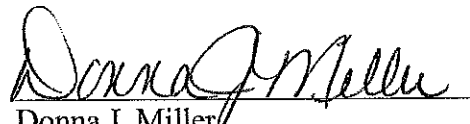
XIV. New Business.

1. 2027 MMO-Minimum Municipal Obligation for Pensions
 - A. Uniform \$28,680.00 A motion was made by Steve Cook to accept, second by Margaret Mathis. Motion carried.
 - B. Non Uniform \$34,692.00 A motion was made by Steve Cook to accept, second by Donald Gordner. Motion carried.
2. Amending Chicken Ordinance. Rocky Sanguedolce reviewed the changes he proposed; limit to 5 chickens and set backs only 20-25 feet. Heather Nash asked about if this would change for the people that have existing chickens?
3. Data Center. Attorney DeWald reviewed a proposed language for this. This would involve zoning hearing as the chicken ordinance also; Attorney DeWald suggested Council review both the Data Centers and Chickens for next month; one amendment could be made instead of two; it would be cost effective.

XV. Public Comments: Theresa Williams asked when the Brook Street Ordinance would be in effect; Donna Miller stated the President just signed it tonight. She also had concerns about residents attending the meeting. Ruth Little asked for everyone to check out the community; concerns must be in writing and signed. Steve Cook stated the Fire Department has installed approximately 10 smoke alarms, Ruth Little asked about CO2 detectors, Steve stated if the residents purchase them; the department will install them.

XVI. Adjournment. Motion was made by Steve Cook to adjourn the meeting at 7:23pm; 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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