## Montgomery Borough Council December 11, 2018

President Crist called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.

- I. All rose for the Pledge of Allegiance.
- II. Roll call was taken: Whitlow Wertz-P, Dale Brendle-P, Fae Herb-P, Lynn Crist-P, James McCarty-A, Susan Andrews-P, Amber Wilt-P. Also, present were Donna Miller and Solicitor Daryl Yount.
- III. Fire Department Report. No one was in attendance.
- IV. EMA Report. Dennis Gruver handed in the monthly report for review; Dennis reported that the Christmas Committee will be delivering food/toy boxes starting at 7:30am on December 24, 2018.
- V. Public Concerns. None
- VI. Approve November 2018 Minutes. A motion was made by Dale Brendle to approve; second by Whitlow Wertz. Motion carried.
- VII. Approve October 2018 Treasurer's Report. A motion was made by Dale Brendle to approve; second by Susan Andrews. Motion carried.

  Approve November 2018 Treasurer's Report. Tabled until next months' meeting.
- VIII. Code Enforcement Officer's Report. Wally Bohner reviewed his final monthly report for the Borough; he stated a zoning permit was issued for 107 Miller Ave., that was not included on the report. Councilwoman Herb thanked Wally for his years of service and wished him a Happy Retirement. Wally has been employed by the Borough for 29 years, 10 months! A round of applause was given to him.
- IX. Solicitor's Report. Atty. Daryl Yount gave an update on the two Borough properties of West Houston Ave and at the corner of S. Main Street and Broad Street. The West Houston Ave property is being reviewed by the County Commissioner and no update has been given at this time.
- X. Police Report. Chief Delp reviewed the written report for the month of November 2018.
- XI. Mayor's Report. Mayor Hoover was not in attendance, due to medical reasons.
- XII. Borough Coordinator's Report. Donna Miller reported on the following:
  - A. The Odyssey Angels donation box project was given the okay, to be placed on the side of the maintenance garage closest to the Post Office, Samantha Magargle from Odyssey Angels gave an updated report, that fundraising is

- being started.
- B. Working on Borough Clean-up day/Muncy Prisoners. Donna reported phone calls are being made for the Borough Clean up day and getting help from the Muncy Prisoners for clean up at Stackhouse Park and other places within the Borough.
- C. Received a Thank you from the Montgomery Food Bank. Donna read a thank you note received from Footprints of Montgomery for the donation made from the Borough.
- D. Donna wished everyone a "Merry Christmas."

## XIII. Committee Report.

Summer Alive Program: Councilwoman Andrews stated this committee will be attending the January 2019 work session, to talk about the upcoming summer program.

Councilwoman Herb asked if the Community Development Committee could be place on the agenda as an "Add Hock" committee. This will be placed on the agenda in January 2019.

XIV. Old Business. Councilwoman Andrews stated on Monday, January 21, 2019 at 7:00pm there will be a "Garden Workshop" to discuss the Community Garden with seed starting information etc.

## XV. New Business.

- A. Police Contract 2019-2021. A motion was made by Dale Brendle to accept; second by Whitlow Wertz. Motion carried. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Whitlow Wertz-Yes; Dale Brendle-Yes; Susan Andrews-Abstained; Fae Herb-Yes; James McCarty-Absent; Amber Wilt-neither Yes or No or Abstained.
- B. Non-Uniform Employee Contract 2019-2021. A motion was made by Dale Brendle to accept; second by Fae Herb. Motion carried.
- C. Letter of Understanding-Borough Coordinator- A motion was made by Fae Herb to accept, second by Whitlow Wertz. Motion carried.
- D. 2019 Borough Budget-1/4 mill increase-first reading. A motion was made by Dale Brendle to accept; second by Susan Andrews. Motion carried. Total income \$690,570.00; Total expenses \$677,061.00; Profit of \$13,509.00
- E. Tax Ordinance 2018-4-first reading. A motion was made by Dale Brendle to accept; second by Fae Herb. Motion carried.
- F. Appoint Angela Adams as Trustee for Principal Pension Plan. A motion was made by Whitlow Wertz to appoint; second by Dale Brendle. Motion carried.
- G. 2019 Borough Council meeting dates-2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month, Jan 8, Feb 12; March 12, April 9, May 14, June 11, July 9, Aug 13, Sept 10, Oct 8, Nov 12 and December 10, 2019 with work sessions on Mondays and Thursdays as needed. A motion was made by Susan Andrews to accept; second by Dale Brendle. Motion carried.
- H. Appoint Gary Yocum to the Montgomery Water and Sewer Authority for a 5-

- year term; 2019-2023. A motion was made by Whitlow Wertz to accept the appointment, second by Fae Herb. Motion carried.
- I. A special meeting of the Montgomery Borough Council will be Thursday, December 20, 2018 at 6:30pm to adopt the 2019 Borough Budget.

Councilwoman Wilt stated that there will be two(actually three) openings on Council in 2019; if anyone is interested there are time limits on registering and on when signatures can be collected. Councilwoman Herb stated that our website: montgomeryborough.org has a link under Businesses/Phone# for directions on doing this. The County website is lyco.org.

Councilwoman Andrews stated there is a vacancy open on the Montgomery Water and Sewer Authority due to a death of a member. This vacancy should be a Clinton Township resident. A letter of intent can be dropped off at the Borough office.

XVI. Public Comments. Larry Stout from the Montgomery Historical Society stated the Christmas Stone Church service will be Saturday, December 15<sup>th</sup> at 3pm, with doors opening at 1pm. Councilman Wertz asked Mr. Stout about an update on the property where the Stone Church sets; Mr. Stout replied too much for Historical Society.

Executive Session-Personnel, Council entered into Executive Session at 7:00pm, no decisions were made after.

XVII. Adjournment. Motion was made by Dale Brendle to adjourn the meeting at 6:55pm; second by Whitlow Wertz. 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"

Donna J. Miller 🅖

Borough Coordinator

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