Mt. Holly Springs Borough Council Meeting Minutes-December 13, 2021

Call to Order – Mr. Collins called the December 13, 2021 meeting of the Borough Council to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Attendance– The following members of the Borough Council were present; James Collins II, Sherry Boyles, Gay Bowman, Lois Stoner. Also present, Mark Allshouse, Borough Solicitor; and Thomas Day, Police Chief/ Borough Manager, Nanette Dusharm, Borough Secretary/Treasurer, Mayor, Dr. Brian Robertson, and Councilwoman Cathy Neff.

Pledge of Allegiance – Jim Collins II led the Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of November, 2021 Bill List and Payment- Sherry Boyles motioned for the approval for the payment of bills. It was seconded by Lois Stoner. The motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Minutes: The minutes of the Borough Council Committee meeting on November 22, 2021, were approved as presented. The motion was made by Sherry Boyles and seconded by Lois Stoner. The motion passed unanimously.

Citizens to be Heard -

No Citizens were present

Solicitor's Report-

Mr. Allshouse had nothing new to report.

Mayor's Report -

Mayor Dr. Robertson had reported that we had 67 traffic citations for the month. Mayor Dr. Robertson also mention that the Santa House had opened at the library last Saturday, December 11 and they had a good group in attendance.

Committee Reports-

Nothing new to report.

Health, Safety, and Welfare Committee

Chief Day reported that Officer Kuhn's contract is up for renewal. A motion from Sherry Boyles to approve a pay increase for Officer Dylan Kuhn and the motion was seconded by Gay Bowman. There will be a \$1.00 per hour pay increase for 2022 to bring him to \$24.50 per hour and a \$1.00 per hour pay increase for 2023 to bring him to \$25.50 per hour. All are in favor.

Administrative, Finance, and Budget-

Sherry Boyles made a motion to approve the 2022 suggested pay increases, as presented by Chief Thomas Day, seconded by Lois Stoner. Motion passed unanimously.

Chief Day informed the council that the Borough will be hiring Karen Johnson as a grant writer starting in January 2022. Sherry Boyles made a motion to hire Karen Johnson as a part-time grant writer with medical benefits at a starting wage of \$14 per hour and the motion was seconded by Cathy Neff. All in favor.

Zoning/Codes Officer–Mr. Wadel and Mr. Goshert were present to discuss the Goshert plan. It was brought up removing notes on the plan about not using the existing driveway due to an agreement not being reached with the adjacent property owner. Upon a Boyles/Stoner motion the council gave conditional approval of the plan contingent upon Doug Shields and the solicitor's approval of the notes on the plan.

Public Works-

Chief Day had reported that we are about completed with the leaf pick up. We have instead of having residents bag the leaves. We would just have them put their leaves out at the curb for pick up.

Sherry Boyles asked Chief Day how Hemisphere is doing at the Authority. Chief stated that he is not please with their first month of service. They are not cleaning the clarifiers. Was also informed that they are not cleaning the wet well that requires 2 people and that is not being done either. Hemisphere has been told that any repairs that need to be done they should contact Josh Kuhn or Thomas Day.

Borough Manager's Report- Chief Day reported the there will be construction from Hill Street to 174 starting next spring with upgrades to 2 storm drains and addition of 5 ADA curbs to be put in on West Pine Street. There is no interference all the sensers are now controlled with radar. The bid will be awarded on 3/17/22 and the construction is to start on 5/16/22. There will be a bond put in place to secure the use of Mountain Street due to having about 170 trucks using that street. Chief Day reported that our last trash pick-up day with Waste Management will be Monday, December 27, 2022. Apple waste will begin pick up on Friday, December 31, 2022. We are looking to rent a 27' truck from Ryder and have our guys help with the pick-up and distribution of all the new totes. There will be a dumpster left here at the Borough for trash to go in if they have full totes that did not get dumped when the totes got picked up by Waste Management. Chief Day is going to put something on Facebook to notify all the residents that will have to put there totes out by the curb and leave them there until they get replaced. Chief Tom Day also reported that we have received a grant for \$19,000 for a new building to be put in up by the dog park. Chief Day also reported that both police

cars are back in service, and the graphics have been installed. Just waiting for his car to get the equipment to get installed.

Parks and Recreation – Councilwoman Cathy Neff had mentioned that we are having a Christmas Decorating contest. We have only received about 14 residents so far. Hope to get a few more.

Any Other Business to Come Before Council: There was no other business to be brought before council.

Adjourn – Sherry Boyles made a motion to adjourn that was seconded by Cathy Neff. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nanette Dusharm Borough Secretary/ Treasurer