## Mt. Holly Springs Borough Council Meeting Minutes-February 12, 2024

**Call to Order –** Sherry Boyles called the February 12, 2024, meeting of the Borough Council to order at 7:00 p.m.

**Attendance**– The following members of the Borough Council were present; Gay Bowman, Lois Stoner, Sherry Boyles, Kyle Schnitzer, and Cindy Goshorn. Also present, Mayor Deborah Halpin-Brophy and Borough Manager, Thomas Day. Cathy Neff was absent.

**Pledge of Allegiance – Sherry Boyles led the Pledge of Allegiance** 

**Approval of Minutes -** The minutes of the Borough Council on January 8, 2024 were approved as presented. The motion was made by Mrs. Stoner and seconded by Mr. Schnitzer. The motion passed unanimously

**Approval of January 2024 Bill List and Payment** - Approval and payment of the bills for January as presented. Motion was made Mr. Schnitzer and seconded by Mrs. Stoner. The motion passed unanimously.

**Public Comment** – Kathleen Luebbers of 315 Zion Rd., Mount Holly Springs and Jessica Bowersox were both present to let us know that Greenlife is about to open soon. They have an on-site food pantry that is up and running. They currently have nine (9) employees right now and hoping to open within a couple weeks. They will be hiring more employees and will have expanded hours. The drop off is at the side door, park between the white lines and knock on the door and someone will come out and help with your donations.

**Mayor's Report –** Mayor Halpin-Brophy presented the monthly police stats. We had 49 parking tickets and 37 traffic citations.

Chief Day had mentioned that we had received a good price through costars on a new dump truck. It's a Ford F550 with a bigger bed than our old one. Mrs. Goshorn made a motion to purchase the new dump truck and we will use \$17,368.66 of liquid fuels funds and the remaining \$61,074.14 from our general reserve account. The motion was seconded by Ms. Bowman and all are in favor.

**Planning & Zoning Report** - Mrs. Boyles had asked Mr. Schnitzer if there was anything new for planning. He stated that Kurt Stoner would be coming to their next meeting to help with updating the zoning map on the wall in the council room.

Mrs. Stoner made a motion to adopt Resolution #2024-02 amending the Mount Holly Springs Borough Regarding Fees for the Collection of Garbage and Recyclables and the motion was seconded by Mrs. Goshorn to raise the quarterly trash fee to \$80 per quarter.

Mrs. Stoner met with the ladies at the church about the Santa breakfast. They feel that maybe people should have to pay to have breakfast with Santa so they don't have a lot of food left over. A lot of people signed up and not too many had shown and they were stuck with a lot of food. Mrs. Stoner had also mentioned that she had spoke with Chuck Crone about possibly holding a self defense class sometime in April or when the weather starts to get nice maybe up at trine park. They will discuss this more at the park and Rec meeting.

Borough Manager's Report - Chief Day had mentioned that we have submitted for a ½ million-dollar grant for Ridge Road. We are still waiting for Terry Rickert to sign the easement agreement. Chief Day he said he will personally go to his business and get it signed. Chief Day had informed council that Ed Ginter, Mike Dippery, Josh Kuhn and Jonathan Day are all signed up for a 3-year road flagging certification class on March 7<sup>th</sup> they are also signed up to go to West Pennsboro Wednesday, February 14, 2024, for another training class. On March 19, 20, and 21, 2024, Ed, Mike and Jonathan are going to Johnstown for a 5-year certification class for low road and gravel training, they will be spending the nights there in a hotel. Ed Ginter has replaced the sink that was damaged in the restroom up at Trine Park with a stainless steel one. We have started receiving restitution payments related to this incident. Chief Day also informed council that he attended the COG meeting today and US Representative John Joyce was there and he spoke about broad band and how they are trying to expand it. There was also talk about funding the 110-yearold bridge on E. Pine Street. Chief Day mentioned that Dan, the officer in the academy is doing very well and he has been elected class president. Chief Day had stated to council that we have received annual statements from Principal on the non-uniformed pension for 2023 the beginning balance was \$961,202 and the ending balance is \$1,027,060. Chief Day also received the uniformed pension for 2023 with a beginning balance of \$642,845 and the ending balance is \$687,509.

Mrs. Boyles asked to go into an executive session at 7:47 p.m.

Mrs. Boyles announced that we are back in session at 8:24 p.m.

A motion was made by Mrs. Goshorn to appoint Karen Johnson to have full access of all financial records for the Borough and the Authority. She will also have full access to Nanette Dusharm and Pat Fisher's computers. She will also become a check signer and to have Nanette Dusharm removed as a signer. Karen will be creating a new collection system for taking all payments and handling all cash and checks as

well as checking and verifying all bank reconciliations. All mail is to be opened by Karen and distributed and appropriated by her also. The motion was seconded by Ms. Bowman and all are in favor.

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

**Adjourn** – Mrs. Stoner made a motion to adjourn that was seconded by Ms. Bowman. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 8:27 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nanette Dusharm Borough Secretary/Treasurer