

## **Mt. Holly Springs Borough Council Committee Meeting Minutes-April 27, 2023**

**Call to Order** – Mr. Collins called the April 27, 2023, Committee meeting of the Borough Council to order at 6:30 p.m.

**Attendance**– The following members of the Borough Council were present; James Collins II, Sherry Boyles, Lois Stoner, Cathy Neff, Cindy Goshorn and Debra Halpin-Brophy. Also present, Thomas Day, Police Chief/Borough Manager, Mayor, Dr. Brian Robertson. Gay Bowman and Cindy Goshorn were absent.

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

**Approval of Minutes** – The minutes from April 10, 2023 meeting were not reviewed or approved due to not having them prior to the meeting.

**Public Comments** – None

**Mayor's Report** – Mayor Robertson reported that since Proclamation day, on April 12<sup>th</sup>, Fred and Jim Burgess gave a real good talk at the historical society on Mount Holly Springs and Matt March was doing a railroad piece so there is a separate talk on that. The mayor also reported that on April 15, 2023, Mountain Creek had their trout derby and they had about 120 kids there it was really nice even though it rained all day. The Holly Heroine claim was sold out. Tom Kutz's staff was at the library this past week helping with rental rebates and today, he was up at Mount Tabor. This weekend, April 29<sup>th</sup> we have the Lion's Club fishing derby. Mayor stated that they are working the second edition of the Sesquicentennial book. This will be a little larger about 120 pages. The first edition was sold out. It will be out mid-summer. We will need orders for it, so we will be printing out order forms.

**Borough Manager's Report** – Borough Manager Day said that we need to finish up at the parks so that we can get onto the streets, we need to paint the curbs and I would like to paint the bridges. This bridge coming into town was built in 1962, we are getting a lot of chunks coming off and falling into the road. This is maintained by the railroad, but they have no intention of fixing it. But I would like to at least make it look presentable coming into town. Mrs. Stoner had asked about the banks and Borough Manager Day said maybe some landscaping like some juniper or something that drapes down or ground cover. We had a fire incident up at Amy Fahnestock's place there is going to be criminal charges filed against her. There was a very large fire with pallets and furniture and no one was home. They had set the fire and left, at the time Officer Holcomb had the son stopped over at Sheetz. I think that the time has come that we might want to consider having a no burn at all in the Borough so maybe an ordinance in the future. Borough Manager Day also

mentioned that the state police tomorrow and they are filing the criminal charges against Reese Builders. Reese builders had sent a letter and wanted to settle for \$55.00 for 32 homes. They believe that the most that they used was 500 gallons per house so they came up with 15,500 gallons of water at \$3.50 per 1000 just for cleaning and that is how that derived the \$55.00. Chairman Collins asked if he had a figure that he feels they should pay? Borough Manager Day said that he figures it should be approximately \$150-\$200 per house. When they start phase eight of West Gate, we will have to do an ordinance to make the street a one way when that time comes.

**Committee Reports** – Mrs. Stoner had mentioned Parks and Rec went over all the events that are coming up. Mrs. Stoner informed council that we have 31 vendors so far for the Holly festival better than last year. At this time last year, we had only 13. Mrs. Neff mentioned that she had seen in Dickinson Township newsletter that they had cancelled all park and rec events until further notice. Borough Manager Tom Day reported that they are wrapping up work at Trine Park. The concrete was poured today for the new pavilion. The pickle ball courts are done with the exception we won't put the nets in until Monday. Everything else is all up and running, the lights are in place. At Tichy Park we have a little more to do, move the sign, and do a flower bed, Mrs. Shildt wants to plant the flowers. Chairman Collins had mentioned that as monies become available, budgeted donations are to be made upon request. Mrs. Boyles made a motion and it was seconded by Mrs. Brophy. All are in favor, the motion passed unanimously.

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

**Adjourn** – Mrs. Boyles made a motion to adjourn that was seconded by Mrs. Stoner. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 7:02 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nanette Dusharm  
Borough Secretary/Treasurer