

## **Mt. Holly Springs Borough Council Meeting Minutes-October 10, 2022**

**Call to Order** – Mr. Collins called the October 10, 2022, meeting of the Borough Council to order at 7:00 p.m.

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

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

**Approval of Minutes:** The minutes of the Borough Council meeting on September 12, 2022, were approved as presented. The motion was made Mrs. Brophy and seconded by Mrs. Boyles. The motion passed unanimously.

**Approval of September 2022 Bill List and Payment-** Mrs. Brophy motioned for the approval for the payment of bills and was seconded by Mrs. Stoner. The motion passed unanimously.

**Citizens to be Heard** – Cynthia Thomas of 114 N. Baltimore Street, Mount Holly Springs was present on behalf of the Amelia Givin Library. Ms. Thomas passed out a newsletter of all the facts and happenings that have been going on at the library. Ms. Thomas also wanted to thank council for the donation for the year and hope they will continue to support the library in the future. Mr. Collins asked all members if they had received the current news letter from Rebecca Yearick and if they have any questions to direct them to her.

**Solicitor's Report-** Mr. Allshouse had nothing new to report.

**Mayor's Report** – Mayor Roberston informed council that we had 10 traffic citations for the month. Mayor Robertson also announced that we had 6 local ordinance tickets as well.

### **Committee Reports**

**Administrative, Finance, and Budget**– Mrs. Boyles made a motion to approve advertising for the ordinance for the 2023 tax increase and the motion was seconded by Ms. Bowman. All members in favor.

Mr. Collins mentioned to council that we had received a copy of the 2023 budget for the Citizen's Fire Company. They are asking for an increase for the upcoming year. The Borough has already advertised the proposed 2023 budget for public inspection there will not be any changes. If they are looking for additional funds, they will have to come to Borough council for it. Mrs. Boyles made a motion to approve payment for the 2022 MMO for Non-uniformed Pension Plan and it was seconded by Mrs. Stoner. All are in favor. Mrs. Brophy made a motion to approve payment for the 2022 MMO for the Police Retirement Plan and it was seconded by Mrs. Goshorn. All are in favor.

**Health, Safety, and Welfare Committee** – Nothing new to report.

**Zoning/Codes Officer**–Doug Shields attended the COG meeting today. The only thing to report is that the salt will increase about \$10 per ton this year.

**Planning & Zoning Report** – Nothing new to report.

**Public Works**- Nothing new to report.

**Borough Manager's Report**-Chief Day reported that we had received our new track hoe that we had ordered. It was delivered on Friday, October 7, 2022. Chief Day had informed council that we had a water main break by Rice Elementary school. They are old iron pipes and in very bad condition. This is the second break in that area. The Authority should look into having those pipes replaced. We had to repair the road and re-pave what Pennsy had already done. Chief Day had reported that the basketball backboards have all been installed and it has been paved all we have left to do is paint the lines and it will be complete. Chief Day stated that we have received the new pavilion, it was delivered in a package. We will be pouring concrete for the pavilion on October 28<sup>th</sup>. Chief will be putting a post on social media asking for volunteers to help with constructing the new pavilion. He also mentions that we will be receiving the new playground equipment for Tichy Park on November 15, 2022. Withing the next two weeks we will be putting up fencing around the volleyball and pickle ball courts and also at Tichy Park. Chief Day asked Cathy Neff if they would allow the dog park to be used for a frisbee competition with dogs on November 6, 2022. They had all thought that would be a great idea and use of the park and for the community. Chief Day had mentioned that there is a pro volleyball team that is ranked #31 in the country and they are interested in reserving our courts. Ms. Neff had asked if we had lights for the volleyball courts. Chief Day stated that we are hoping to have lights installed as soon as we can. Mrs. Goshorn had asked why there was such a large hole in the ground at Tichy Park. Chief Day stated that is where the playground equipment will be installed. Also, possibly next year the Borough would look to put in a single basketball hoop at Tichy Park for the kids to use as well.

Chief Day informed council that the Phase II grant for the sidewalks has been signed. He also informed council that we are getting reimbursed for the damaged to the traffic lights that were done. Chief Day mentioned that Pennsy should be done paving within the next two weeks and then they will be painting the lines after. So far, the Borough has received about 800 to 1,000 pounds of millings and they are being stored up at the Shetter's property. We have used some of those millings on Lakeside Drive and we also redid all the drains. The road has been raised and the residents are very happy. Ms. Neff had asked if we had decided on cameras to be installed at the parks yet. Chief informed council that he is still working on pricing. Mayor Robertson asked what will be done with the old pavilion up at Trine Park. The old pavilion will be disassembled and taken to the Shetter's property and we will reuse as a salt shed and put some black top down and store the salt there. Mrs. Brophy had asked council if there was anything that can be done with property on Mooreland Avenue. They currently have 2 campers, a trailer and about 6 cars parked in their driveway. We will have zoning officer; Doug Shields checks the ordinance on this. Ms. Neff has mentioned that we are having the Halloween Parade next week on Wednesday, October 19<sup>th</sup> and we still need people to carry banners. Chief Day is going to check with Carlisle Fire Company to see if they can help with traffic.

Mr. Collins made an announcement that we would go into an executive session at 7:40 p.m. Mr. Collins called the meeting back in order at 7:50 pm.

Mrs. Brophy made a motion to accept the resignation of Corporal Brandon Ritchie effective October 21, 2022 and it was seconded by Ms. Bowman. A motion was made by Mrs. Stoner and seconded by Mrs. Goshorn to hire Donald Holcomb as an officer who will be starting after he finishes the academy. He has signed a three-year contract with the Borough. Mrs. Brophy made a motion to rehire Rachel Carver as a full-time officer starting November 28, 2022 and the motion was seconded by Mrs. Goshorn. Chief Day had mention that Dustin Pague and Donald Holcomb will have a start date of December 19, 2022 once they have graduated from the academy. The rate of pay for Rachel Carver will be \$32 per hour. The rate of pay for Donald Holcomb will be \$30 per hour and the rate of pay for Dustin Pague will be \$29 per hour.

**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. Goshorn. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nanette Dusharm  
Borough Secretary/ Treasurer