

**MONTROSE BOROUGH COUNCIL**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**October 4, 2021**  
**7:00 PM**

President Sean Granahan called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

President Granahan said a prayer for guidance.

**Adoption of Agenda:** President Granahan questioned if anyone wanted to make any changes or additions to the agenda. The following items were added: Action Item #9. Approve Email Decision Progressive Dental. Discussion Item #2. Renters Ordinance. Motion to adopt agenda as amended by Councilman Craig Reimel; Councilman Todd Chamberlain 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

**Approval of Minutes:** President Granahan inquired if there were any changes or corrections to the September 13, 2021 minutes. Councilman Chamberlain stated there were several mistakes under Discussion Item number two Zoning and Codes: change twenty years to seventy years; change forty to fifty almost sixty; and change drainage to needed repairs. Motion was made to accept minutes as amended by Councilman Chamberlain; Councilman Reimel 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Councilman Tom Follert abstained. Motion carried.

**Present for Roll Call:** Sean Granahan, Ed Herd, Craig Reimel, Tom Follert, Todd Chamberlain

**Absent:** Randy Schuster, Judy Kelly

**Other Officials Present:** Lillian T. Senko, Secretary

**Misc. Correspondence:**

Beirne Wealth Consulting  
RE: July 2021 Investment Report

CoStars Connection  
RE: Newsletter with Updates

President Granahan inquired if there were any questions or comments associated with the miscellaneous correspondence.

**Recognition of Attendees:** Sergeant James Smith, Staci Wilson

**Approval of A/P:** President Granahan inquired if there were any questions or comments on submitted Accounts Payable. Councilman Reimel motioned to approve payment of outstanding bills; Councilman Follert 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

**Approval of Payroll:** President Granahan inquired if there were any questions or comments on submitted Payroll report. Councilman Follert motioned to accept the Payroll Report; Councilman Ed Herd 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

**Accounts Receivable/Deposits:** President Granahan inquired if there were any questions or comments associated with the submitted Accounts Receivable/Deposit Report. No questions or comments.

**Reports:**

**Treasurer's Report:** President Granahan asked if anyone had any questions or comments on the submitted Treasurer's Report. Motion was made to accept the Treasurer's Report by Councilman Reimel; Councilman Chamberlain 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

**Budget Report:** President Granahan inquired if anyone had any questions or comments on the presented material. No questions or comments.

**Street Department:** President Granahan asked if anyone had any questions on the Street Department Report.

Councilman Reimel reported on the progress of the tree root and sidewalk renovation the Street Department was conducting. He said they would prefer to have Bush Lunger smooth the concrete once poured on the sidewalks.

Councilman Reimel motioned to hire Bush Lunger to do the finishing work on the concrete sidewalks; Councilman Chamberlain 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

**Zoning Report:** President Granahan asked if anyone had any questions on the Zoning Report. No questions or comments.

**Code Enforcement Report:** President Granahan asked if anyone had any questions on the Code Enforcement Report. No questions or comments.

**Police Department:** President Granahan asked if there were any questions or comments on the Police Report.

Chief Dale Smith is out with Covid, Sergeant Smith provided the report to Council. He stated Chief Smith will be back on duty the next day.

**Municipal Authority:** President Granahan asked if there were any questions or comments on the Municipal Authority Report. No questions or comments

**Mayor's Report:** Mayor LaMont did not attend the meeting; however, he sent an email to Council with the following statement: He said Halloween should be on Sunday and there is nothing new to report on the police.

**Action Items:**

- 1. Approve Additional Expense of Ten Thousand Six Hundred Four Dollars and Twenty-Nine Cents for T&L:** Councilman Reimel motioned to approve the additional cost of the T&L from New Enterprise Stone and Lime Co. Inc.; Councilman Follert 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
- 2. Donation to Fire Company of Forty-Two Thousand Dollars:** Councilman Reimel motioned to approve payment to United Fire Company in the amount of Forty-Two Thousand Dollars; Councilman Chamberlain 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

- 3. Donation to Library of One Thousand Dollars:** Councilman Follert motioned to donate one thousand dollars to the Susquehanna County Library; Councilman Herd 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
- 4. Approve Relief Fund to be Transferred to United Fire Company:** Councilman Reimel motioned to transfer seven thousand forty-seven dollars and fifteen cents of the Relief Fund to United Fire Company; Councilman Chamberlain 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
- 5. Motion to Set Times and Advertise for Halloween:** Councilman Chamberlain motioned to set the time for Trick or Treating on Sunday, October 31<sup>st</sup> 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. with a 9:00 p.m. curfew and to advertise for the event; Councilman Reimel 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
- 6. Motion to Approve Christmas in Montrose December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>:** Councilman Herd motioned to approve Christmas in Montrose on December 3<sup>rd</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> with a request going out to PennDot to close Maple Street from Public Avenue to High Street; Councilman Chamberlain 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Councilman Herd motioned to donate one thousand dollars to Christmas in Montrose; Councilman Chamberlain 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

- 7. Approve Corporal Andrew Geneken Fill the Cruiser Veterans:** Councilman Herd motioned to approve Corporal Geneken to hold the “Fill the Cruiser” food donation event at Scarfallato’s Hometown Market on Saturday, October 23<sup>rd</sup> from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; Councilman Chamberlain 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
- 8. Approve “Fill the Cruiser” Newspaper Advertisement:** Councilman Herd motioned to approve the advertisement to be placed in the newspaper for the “Fill the Cruiser” event; Councilman Chamberlain 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
- 9. Approve Email Correspondence Progressive Dental:** Councilman Reimel motioned to accept a one thousand dollar fine in exchange

Borough to release Progressive Dental from all claims; Councilman Follert 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

**Discussion Items**

- 1. Update Progress on AME Zion Church:** Code Enforcement Officer received a letter providing updated progress on the AME Zion Church and was satisfied with the information. He passed it along to Council who spoke for a few minutes on the ongoing repairs that are needed to get the church up to code.
- 2. Renters Ordinance:** Councilman Chamberlain suggested to Council it may be in the Borough's best interest to revisit the Renters Ordinance that was reviewed last year, at least the registration part. He said Sergeant Smith will fill you in on what happened with one of the renters.

Councilman Reimel relayed more information to Council on the Frontier Phone System proposal that was presented to Council at the September 13, 2021 meeting. Councilman Reimel motioned to purchase the new equipment at a cost of five thousand two hundred six and ninety-three cents, installation and training at a cost of four thousand three hundred sixty-five dollars and ninety-eight cents and a four-year warranty maintenance one year after first year warranty at a cost of sixty-four dollars and ninety-two cents per month; Councilman Follert 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

***Executive Session:*** No Executive Session was held.

Councilman Reimel motioned to adjourn the meeting; Councilman Chamberlain 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

**Meeting Adjourned 7:54 PM**

Respectfully Submitted,

*Lillian T. Senko*

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