# MONTROSE BOROUGH COUNCIL Regular Meeting May 1, 2023 7:00 PM

President Judith Kelly called the regular meeting to order at 7:00PM

Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all in attendance

President Kelly said a prayer for guidance.

**Adoption of Agenda:** President Kelly questioned if anyone would like to make any changes or additions to the agenda. Motion was made by Councilman Ed Herd to adopt agenda as presented; Councilman Craig Reimel 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

**Approval of Minutes:** President Kelly inquired if there were any changes or corrections to the April meeting minutes. Motion was made by Councilman Reimel to accept the minutes as presented; Councilman Ed Herd 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

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

Absent: NONE

Other Officials Present: Alyssa Sprout Brace, Secretary

Misc. Correspondence:

Northern Tier Regional Planning & Development Commission RE: Municipal Summit

Bernie Wealth RE: Fidelity Investments

Kevin Conrad RE: Applicant for Parking Enforcement Daryan VanNostrand RE: Letter of Resignation

Zoning Hearing Board RE: Minutes

President Kelly inquired if there were any questions or comments associated with the miscellaneous correspondence. No questions or comments.

**Recognition of Attendees:** Carrie Scheer, Robin & Abigail Alexander, Tara Nava, Tanya Bevilacgua, Allie Glennon, Chief Dale Smith, Mark Darmafol, Jason Beardsley

**Speakers:** Abigail Alexander spoke to Council regarding her Silver Award Project. She proposed to do a park clean up and possibly do a hot dog and baked good sale to raise money to buy new equipment for the park. President Kelly stated to have Ms. Alexander keep in contact with the Park Committee on her plans and that we thank her for her willingness to help the park.

Tara Nava came to speak to Council regarding her property on Park Street. She stated she needed information and pointers on how to proceed with a sewer issue in order to put in her new home. President Kelly stated unfortunately we do not have the answers she was looking for and that the Municipal Authority needs to do some research in order to get her the answers she needs. Councilman Granahan stated she should get in contact with Ted Cady at the Municipal Authority and he could point her in the direction she needs to go in. Ms. Nava thanked Council for their time.

**Approval of A/P:** President Kelly inquired if there were any questions or comments on submitted Accounts Payable. Councilman Randy Schuster, motioned to approve payment of outstanding bills; Councilman Sean Granahan $2^{nd}$  the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

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

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

### <u>Reports:</u>

**Treasurer's Report:** President Kelly 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 Granahan; Councilman Schuster 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

**Budget Report:** President Kelly inquired if anyone had any questions or comments on the presented material. Councilman Todd Chamberlain questioned section 400-300, 409-362, and 409-366. Councilman Reimel stated bookkeeper Erin Jenner would look into it and get

back to Council. Motion was made by Councilman Granahan to accept the Budget Report; Councilman Reimel 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

**Street Department:** President Kelly inquired if anyone had any questions on the Street Department Report. Councilman Tom Follert stated he would like to thank the Street Department for their continued efforts on lake avenue. No other questions or comments.

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

**Code Enforcement Report:** President Kelly inquired if anyone had any questions or comments on the submitted Code Enforcement Report. Code Enforcement Officer Dave Darrow stated he took care of all complaints turned in to him. Councilman Schuster asked if there was any progress with the Progressive Dental sign. He stated he met with the engineer and things were taken care of. He also stated he took care of the issues on Cherry Street. No other questions or comments.

**Police Department:** President Kelly asked if there were any questions or comments on the Police Report. Chief Smith stated no issues to report at this time. Councilman Schuster mentioned purchasing signs for "No Truck Traffic" for Griffis Street and other locations where they are needed. Motion was made by Councilman Schuster to purchase 3 no truck traffic signs, Councilman Chamberlain 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

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

Mayor's Report: Mayor Tom LaMont was not present.

#### Action Items:

# **1.** Final Approval to Advertise Engineered Building Interior Bid

**Packages:** Councilman Reimel stated we had prior approval pending response from Borough Solicitor Mike Briechle. With final approval ad will be run in this Wednesday's ad in the Independent. Motion was made by Councilman Reimel to advertise bids; Councilman Granahan 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

2. Approval to Purchase Sand for Ball Field : Councilman Herd stated the ball park could use 2 loads of sand, but could make due with 1 load for now. Herd stated it would cost nine hundred dollars and sixty one cents to have a load of sand delivered from Lopke and would cost six hundred and sixteen dollars for pick up. Councilman Reimel stated it would be most cost effective to have it delivered than to have the Street Department make multiple trips. Councilman Schuster made the

motion to have a load of sand delivered at the cost of nine hundred sixty one dollars. Councilman Reimel 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

**3.** Advertise for Zoning Changes: Councilman Granahan stated he would like authority to run ad for Zoning Changes. Councilman Reimel made the motion to move forward with advertising Zoning Changes; Councilman Schuster 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

**4. Approval of the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade:** Motion was made by Councilman Follert to approve the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade. Councilman Reimel 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

### **Discussion Items:**

- 1. Planting Updates: Councilman Granahan stated he worked with Dennis Bennet to take care of the trees on Public Avenue, still may have a couple trees to replace. He stated he is waiting on a call from W&W Nursery to give him estimates on trees. Working with the Street Department to mulch the bump outs. Councilman Granahan stated they will be working on planting in the planters on May 24. President Kelly asked Council if there was a plant for planting and erosion control at the location of the new garage. Councilman Reimel stated the engineers had a plan for erosion control and he would get in contact with them. No other updates given.
- 2. Bases for Park Ballfield: Councilman Herd stated the ball field needs a new home plate. The cost is approximately sixty-four dollars. Councilman Reimel made the motion to purchase home plate, Councilman Chamberlain 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

President Kelly called an executive session at 7:50PM

President Kelly opened the meeting at 7:58PM

President Kelly Closed the meeting at 8:00PM

Councilman Schuster made motion to adjourn meeting. Councilman Reimel 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion.

Meeting adjourned at 8:02PM

Respectfully Submitted, *Myssa Oprout Brace* Alyssa Sprout Brace Borough Secretary