

**MOUNTVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL**  
**MEETING MINUTES**  
**September 9, 2024**

A meeting of the Mountville Borough Council was held on Monday, September 9, 2024, at 1900 hrs. in the Mountville Borough Hall at 21 E. Main Street, Mountville, PA 17554.

The following Council members were present:

- Theresa Baker, Christine Eshleman, Lenny Heisey, Phil Kresge, Rick Spiegel and Mayor Steve Mitchell. Danny Good, and Jonah Eastep were absent.
- Also, present were West Hempfield Township Police Chief Jason Jay, Mountville Fire Company Fire Chief Dean Gantz and Borough Manager Derrick Millhouse.

The meeting was called to order at 1901 hrs. by Council President P. Kresge who then gave an invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Kresge addressed the visitors in the room. He advised them of the public comment sections of the meeting, and if anyone wished to be heard during those times, they could stand, state their name, and address, and then address the Council.

**Agenda Additions**

- None.

**Public Comment**

- None.

**Recognition of Visitors**

- None.

**Meeting Minutes and Financial Reports**

- *C. Eshleman moved to accept the minutes of the August 12, 2024, meeting as distributed.* T. Baker seconded the motion. Council was in accord and the motion carried.
- *R. Spiegel moved to accept the financial reports and fund distributions as presented.* T. Baker seconded the motion. Council was in accord and the motion carried.

**Public Safety – Police/Fire**

Chairperson – R. Spiegel

- Chairperson Spiegel recognized WHTPD Chief J. Jay who reviewed the report for the previous month.
- Chairperson Spiegel recognized Mountville Fire Chief D. Gantz who reviewed the report for the previous month.
  - Fund Drive has raised approx. \$40,563.00 so far.

**Public Safety – Planning/Zoning**

Chairperson – L. Heisey

- Chairperson Heisey reported that 6 permits were issued for this reporting period:
 

○ #2386	102 Froelich Ave.	Fire Damage	\$ 664.50
○ #2390	248 Huntington Drive	Fence	\$ 40.00

○ #2392	141 N. Church St.	Shed	\$ 60.80
○ #2393	241 W. Main St.	Shed	\$ 56.00
○ #2395	196 Rockford Square	Expand Driveway	\$ 35.00
○ #2396	104 Froelich Ave.	Fire Damage	\$ 564.50

- A zoning ordinance amendment was discussed.
  - The amendments to the zoning ordinance were approved for advertisement last month, however they are still under review by the Mountville and Lancaster County Planning Commissions.

### **Public Safety – Health/Sanitation**

Chairperson – T. Baker

- Delinquent Trash
  - *T. Baker moved to send 37 overdue 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter trash accounts to Creditech for collection.* C. Eshleman seconded the motion. Council was in accord and the motion carried.

### **General Government – Personnel**

Chairperson – P. Kresge

- *R. Spiegel moved to appoint P. Kresge to the Mountville Borough Planning Commission.* L. Heisey seconded the motion. Council was in accord and the motion carried.

### **General Government - Budget**

Chairperson – C. Eshleman

- Chairperson Eshleman will be meeting with the Borough Manager to discuss on Sept. 16, 2024.

### **General Government – Public Outreach**

Chairperson – P. Kresge

- No Report
- Mountville Business Center Sign
  - A meeting should be organized to discuss the project with other community organizations.

### **General Government – Building Committee**

Chairperson – P. Kresge

- No Report

### **Public Works – Streets**

Chairperson – D. Good

- Spring Street discussion. A committee was formed to discuss options for the disposition of the street now that the RR Crossing is closed. A committee consisting of J. Eastep, D. Good, S. Mitchell and R. Spiegel was formed.
- Winter maintenance agreement with PennDOT.
  - *R. Spiegel moved to approve the winter maintenance agreement with PennDOT for the 2024-2025 season for a stipend of \$9,310.00.* C. Eshleman seconded the motion. Council was in accord and the motion carried.

### **Public Works - Parks and Recreation**

Chairperson – J. Eastep

- No Report.

**Engineer's Report –**

- None.

**Manager's Report –**

- The Millersville University students will be performing some maintenance at Lockard Park for the United Way Day of Caring on Saturday, September 14, 2024.

**Mayor's Report –**

- Mayor Mitchell was contacted by a boy scout who is looking for a project. Please let the Mayor know if anything comes up.

**Unfinished Business**

- None.

**New Business**

- Tree removal at the Borough Park
  - Two estimates were received:
    - BTS for \$4,500.00 tree removal and \$1,300.00 stump grinding.
    - Doug's for \$4,500.00 tree removal and \$1,340.00 stump grinding.
    - The Manager is requesting an additional \$1,000.00 to remove a tree that was not listed on either of the quotes from the contractors.
  - *L. Heisey moved to accept the proposal from BTS for the tree removal and stump grinding as well as the additional \$1,000.00 allotment for the removal of an additional tree. C. Eshleman seconded the motion. Council was in accord and the motion carried.*
- Baseball field fence replacement at the Borough Park
  - Three estimates were received for the repair of the first baseline fence, repair of the bull pen and height extension of the third base line fence.
    - New Holland Chain Link for a total of \$9,325.00.
    - Millcreek Fence and Decks for \$4,614.00 (for repairs only) which was \$900.00 more than New Holland for the repairs only.
    - Superior Fence and Rail for a total of \$13,774.00.
  - *C. Eshleman moved to approve the proposal from New Holland Chain Link at a total cost of \$9,325.00. R. Spiegel seconded the motion. Council was in accord and the motion carried.*

**Public Comment**

- None.

**Miscellaneous**

- The Community Picnic went very well. Better turn out than last year, and hoping for more next year.
- *C. Eshleman moved to cancel the September 23, 2024, Borough Council meeting. J. Eastep seconded the motion. Council was in accord and the motion carried.*

**With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2003 hrs.**

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Derrick J. Millhouse". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a prominent initial "D" and "M".

Derrick J. Millhouse  
Manager/Secretary

Gallery: (listing only those who signed in)

Judy Snyder

Ron Freiberg

Sam Meckley (Rettew Associates)