



**MOHNTON BOROUGH  
BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES**

**DECEMBER 13, 2023 7:00 pm**

**- Public Welcome -**

The meeting was called to Order at 7:00 PM by Council President, Jon Davis who presided. Pledge of Allegiance was said, and roll taken.  
*Announcement: Meeting being recorded for accuracy.*

In attendance:

**Council Members:**

Jon Davis	Gary Hafer
Daniel McDevitt	Kerry Hoffman
Jason Kercher	Alicia Bressler
Brian Simmon	Eric Burgis, Mayor

**Borough Attendees:**

Loretta Imbody, Operations Manager  
 Jason Ulrich, Solicitor  
 Jennifer McConnell, Engineer

**GUEST: Governor Mifflin Library Representatives – Annual Update.**

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

**John Crossan (Lions Club)** – Thanking Council for placing shed on Borough property for Lions usage.

**CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER REPORT: - Jennifer McConnell**

Landlord Rental unit forms are being mailed for 2024.

Continuing to work on property violations.

**ENGINEER REPORT: - Jennifer McConnell**

**Highbrooke MS4 Project Update:** Easements will be sent out for the Highbrooke project.

Coalition still waiting to hear about the grant funding.

Discussed Road work bid package – meet to assemble in January. Hopefully authorize at February meeting and have bid open at the March meeting.

**SOLICITOR REPORT: - Jason Ulrich**

**MOTION:** To authorize the advertisements for the 2024 Reorganization Meeting (Jan 2, 7pm) and General/Workshop Meetings and Planning Commission Meetings.

*Motion to approve: Motion: Alicia Bressler 2<sup>nd</sup>: Brian Simmon All unopposed, motion carried*

## NEW ORDINANCES.

1. LERTA Reauthorization Ordinance  
✓ **MOTION:**  
*Motion to approve: Motion: Jay Kercher 2<sup>nd</sup>: Alicia Bressler*  
*All unopposed, motion carried*
2. Local Service Tax Reauthorization Ordinance  
✓ **MOTION:**  
*Motion to approve: Motion: Gary Hafer 2<sup>nd</sup>: Brian Simmon*  
*All unopposed, motion carried*
3. Earned Income Tax Reauthorization Ordinance  
✓ **MOTION:**  
*Motion to approve: Motion: Alicia Bressler 2<sup>nd</sup>: Kerry Hoffman*  
*All unopposed, motion carried*
4. Real Property Transfer Tax Reauthorization Ordinance  
✓ **MOTION:**  
*Motion to approve: Motion: Brian Simmon 2<sup>nd</sup>: Alicia Bressler*  
*All unopposed, motion carried*
5. Occupational Tax Reauthorization Ordinance  
✓ **MOTION:**  
*Motion to approve: Motion: Jay Kercher 2<sup>nd</sup>: Kerry Hoffman*  
*All unopposed, motion carried*
6. 2024 General Taxation Ordinance (includes fire and general tax)  
✓ **MOTION:**  
*Motion to approve: Motion: Gary Hafer 2<sup>nd</sup>: Alicia Bressler*  
*All unopposed, motion carried*
7. Animal keeping and nuisance Ordinance  
✓ **MOTION:**  
*Motion to approve: Motion: Jay Kercher 2<sup>nd</sup>: Kerry Hoffman*  
*All unopposed, motion carried*
8. Restriction of Motorized Vehicles in the Park  
✓ **MOTION:**  
*Motion to approve: Motion: Kerry Hoffman 2<sup>nd</sup>: Brian Simmon*  
*All unopposed, motion carried*

## NEW RESOLUTIONS.

- ✓ **MOTION: Pension Fund Asset Allocation:** Approval of Recommended Fund allocations.  
*Motion to approve: Motion: Kerry Hoffman 2<sup>nd</sup>: Brian Simmon*  
*All unopposed, motion carried*
  
- ✓ **MOTION:** Remove Truist from both Non-Uniform & Police Pension funds, and rename Mohnton Borough Council members as Trustees.  
*Motion to approve: Motion: Brian Simmon 2<sup>nd</sup>: Alicia Bressler*  
*All unopposed, motion carried*  
*Abstained: Dan McDevitt*

**POLICE REPORT:** – Report given by Eric Burgis.

**FIRE CHIEF REPORT:** – Report given by Chief Josh Keller.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT’S REPORT:** - *Jon Davis*

**Pickleball Discussion:** Next year, form a plan for development.

**MAYOR REPORT:** - *Eric Burgis* .

✓ **MOTION: To hire Kevin McGilluray as part time Police Officer.**

*Motion to approve: Motion: Kerry Hoffman 2<sup>nd</sup>: Alicia Bressler*

*All unopposed, motion carried*

✓ **MOTION: Motion to purchase a new 2023 Dodge Durango** for the fire department at a cost of \$40,330 under COSTARS pricing. Additional costs to outfit the vehicle with lights, safety equipment and decals using available funds in the existing fire tax account. (Additional costs not to exceed \$15,000).

*Motion to approve: Motion: Jay Kercher 2<sup>nd</sup>: Gary Hafer All unopposed, motion carried*

**Cody system Discussion.** Pricing will be available in 2024.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION REPORT:** - *Dan McDevitt*

✓ **MOTION: RESOLUTION**

**Motion to approve 2024 Budget.**

*Motion to approve: Motion: Alicia Bressler 2<sup>nd</sup>: Brian Simmon All unopposed, motion carried*

✓ **MOTION:** Motion to pay bills. Review of Bills to pay.

*Motion: Jon Davis 2<sup>nd</sup>: Brian Simmon All unopposed, motion carried*

**PERSONNEL AND PUBLIC SAFETY REPORT:** - *Jon Davis*

✓ **MOTION:**

**Motion to approve IT/Cyber Security Consulting Contract (2024-2025) subject to Insurance requirements per the Finance Chair.**

*Motion to approve: Motion: Jay Kercher 2<sup>nd</sup>: Gary Hafer All unopposed, motion carried*

**Discussion: 187 Woodland:** Property violations, Technicon recommending add to Blighted Property Committee listing. Property will be added to Blighted Property list.

**RECREATION PROGRAMS REPORT:** - *Kerry Hoffman*

Pickleball grant is not available.

**BUILDINGS, GROUNDS AND ZONING REPORT:** - *Gary Hafer*

Thank all involved with the Christmas Tree Lighting event.

**GRANTS, COMM. RELATIONS, INTER-GOVERNMENT COOPERATION REPORT: - Brian Simmon**

No report.

**STREETS AND LIGHTS REPORT: - Jason Kercher**

✓ **MOTION:**

**Motion to purchase Right Stander ZK with 61 inch deck Zero Turn.** Three telephonic bids:  
Lowest bid, Eblings Service Plus - \$12,951.00. *Offset with the sale of John Deere 748 \$6800.00.*  
*Motion to approve: Motion: Brian Simmon 2<sup>nd</sup>: Jon Davis*  
*All unopposed, motion carried*

**Motion: 64 Walnut Handicapped Parking Space Request. Jason Ulrich to create Ordinance to enforce.**

*Motion to authorize to advertise Ordinance and approve:*

*Motion: Brian Simmon 2<sup>nd</sup>: Jon Davis All unopposed, motion carried*

**HEALTH, SANITATION, WATER, SEWER REPORT: - Alicia Bressler**

Trash and Recycling billing discussion: Should bills be printed as quarterly, bi annually or stay the same.  
The decision was to stay the same in 2024.

**Motion to accept all reports.**

***Motion to accept, made by: Alicia Bressler 2<sup>nd</sup> by: Kerry Hoffman All unopposed, motion carried***

**Executive Session:** Personnel.

**Old Business:**

**Motion to accept minutes of last General Meeting.**

***Motion to accept, made by: Kerry Hoffman 2<sup>nd</sup> by: Brian Simmon All unopposed, motion carried***

**New Business:**

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*There being no other new business, old business, comments or notes from other Council Members nor any other action items,*

**Motion to Adjourn meeting:**

***Motion to accept, made by: Garry Hafer 2<sup>nd</sup> by: Brian Simmon All unopposed, motion carried***

**Adjournment** - The meeting adjourned at 8:20 P.M.