



**MOHNTON BOROUGH  
BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES**

**JANUARY 10, 2024 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  
Daniel McDevitt *absent*  
Jason Kercher  
Brian Simmon

Gary Hafer  
Kerry Hoffman  
Alicia Bressler  
Eric Burgis, Mayor

**Borough Attendees:**

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

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

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

**Jeff Shanely (Lions Club)** Planning for Memorial Parade has begun. Larry Graff, Master of Ceremony is looking to step down, if anyone is interested in the position, please contact Jeff Shanely.  
**Martha Tannis** – Alleyway discussion. Jason Ulrich explained it is a civil case, the Borough is not have authority over private alleys.

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

Rental notification letters have been mailed for registration and inspections. Property complaints are being addressed, and the amount outstanding of complaints is getting smaller.

**ENGINEER REPORT: - Jennifer McConnell**

Jen will meet with Marty Werner (Road Foreman) to go over road bid package for this year. All municipalities of Berks County were notified regarding the changes to the Intergovernmental Municipal Agreements.

**MOTION: UCC Agreement:**

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

**SOLICITOR REPORT: - Jason Ulrich**

**NEW RESOLUTION:**

✓ **MOTION:**

Change Fee schedule to include penalties and interest information on Trash delinquencies.

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

✓ **MOTION:**

Accept Credit card payments from Tax Payers for Property Taxes.

Motion: Alicia Bressler 2<sup>nd</sup>: Kerry Hoffman All unopposed, motion carried

Jay Kercher – abstained.

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

**FIRE CHIEF REPORT:** – Report given by Jon Davis.

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

**Motion to amend agenda, to advertise and create new Ordinance to encompass new snow emergency routes. Add Orange Street in new parking Ordinance – snow restriction parking during snow emergencies.**

Motion: Brain Simmon 2<sup>nd</sup>: Jay Kercher All unopposed, motion carried

✓ **MOTION:** Advertise and create new Ordinance to encompass new snow emergency routes. New restrictions on certain streets and alleyways during snow emergency.

Motion: Brain Simmon 2<sup>nd</sup>: Jay Kercher All unopposed, motion carried

**MAYOR REPORT: - Eric Burgis.**

✓ **MOTION:**

Motion to approve revised cost for CODY system updates with one-time cost of \$5800, annual licensing at \$3675 and monthly Cloud Service and Storage service as billed by CODY.

Motion: 2<sup>nd</sup>: Postponed: New information, od system is not obsolete. Make upgrade in 2025.

**Motion to amend agenda.**

Motion: Brian Simmon 2<sup>nd</sup>: Kerry Hoffman all in favor

**Motion to authorize expense of \$1420.00 for Cody system to add newest Police Officer.**

Motion: Brian Simmon 2<sup>nd</sup>: Gary Hafer all in favor

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

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

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

Motion: Gary Hafer 2<sup>nd</sup>: Brain Simmon All unopposed, motion carried

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

Recent snow storm. Snow removal went well.

**RECREATION PROGRAMS REPORT: - Kerry Hoffman**

✓ **MOTION:**

Motion to have Council approve an exception to the park rules prohibiting alcohol in the park for the Lions Club Music Festival. (Scheduled for September 7<sup>th</sup>)

**Motion to amend the agenda** to include the Lions Club Music Festival (Scheduled for September 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>)

Motion: Brian Simmon 2<sup>nd</sup>: Jon Davis all in favor

✓ **MOTION:**

Motion: to have Council approve an exception to the park rules prohibiting dogs in the park for the PA Pit Stop Animal Rescue organization's Easter Egg Hunt. (Tentatively scheduled for Easter Day)

Motion: Brian Simmon 2<sup>nd</sup>: Gary Hafer all in favor

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

No report.

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

No report.

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

✓ **MOTION:**

Motion to hire Josh Keller as P/T snow plow employee.

Motion: Jon Davis 2<sup>nd</sup>: Gary Hafer all in favor

✓ **MOTION:**

Award bid (3 bids received) to Garden Keepers for tree removal on Wyomissing Avenue.  
Proposal: \$8500.00.

Motion: Kerry Hoffman 2<sup>nd</sup>: Gary Hafer all in favor

**Discussion:** Skid loader purchase. Not to exceed \$45000.00 In leui of purchasing a ZK Mower.  
Discussion to possibly rent instead of buy. Will discuss again at February meeting.

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

National Night Out event (NNO) for 2024. Alicia receiving paperwork for event and looking to form committee and move forward with planning.

**Motion to accept all reports.**

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

**Executive Session:** No session.

**Old Business:**

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

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

**New Business:**

E tickets printed for Police: Transition to this process will be happening soon.

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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 7:52 P.M.