

**MINUTES
BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING
JANUARY 16, 2020**

Media Borough Council met in Council Chambers on the above date with the following officials present: Mayor McMahon, President Hall, Vice-President A. Johnson, Councilmen Boyer and Robinson, Councilwomen Dixon and L. Johnson. Also present were Manager Smith, Solicitor Scott and Engineer Matson. Councilman Williamson was not present.

President Hall called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. and led the salute to the flag.

Approval of Minutes

President Hall made a motion to approve the December 5, 2019 CDBG special meeting minutes. Councilwoman Dixon seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

President Hall made a motion to approve the December 5, 2019 Workshop meeting minutes. Councilwoman Dixon seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

President Hall made a motion to approve the December 19, 2019 Council meeting minutes. Councilwoman Dixon seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment and Privilege of the Floor

Paul Sheldon of W. Baltimore Avenue mentioned he doesn't see the reason for a moratorium on chickens for just one issue. He believes feral cats and dogs are more of a nuisance issue in the Borough.

Engineer's Report

Engineer Matson met with representatives from Structure Care regarding Phase I work in the Olive Street Parking Garage. Engineer Matson is satisfied with the work and asked StructureCare to proceed with Phase II. Engineer Matson mentioned he met with Borough staff on various projects and met with Karen Taussig-Lux and Merje on the wayfinding project. Engineer Matson thanked Council for appointing him Borough engineer.

Solicitor's Report

Solicitor Scott had no report.

Mayor's Report

Mayor McMahon reported that the police department received and investigated 8,920 complaints in 2019 and noted that only 2 burglaries occurred during 2019.

Council/Committee Reports

Properties, Public Works and Fire – Mr. Robinson

Councilman Robinson mentioned the fire company continues to look for volunteers in any aspect, whether it's firefighting or administrative duties.

Councilman Robinson announced the trash collection schedule for Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

MBA, Historic, Public Safety and Civil Service – Ms. L. Johnson

Councilwoman L. Johnson made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 1137 the annual traffic/parking ordinance amendments. Councilman Robinson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Councilwoman L. Johnson made a motion to approve a grant agreement for \$100,000 for audible traffic signals along Baltimore Avenue, Providence Road and State Street. Councilman Robinson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Councilwoman L. Johnson made a motion to accept with regret the resignation of Debbie Pitt from the Media Business Authority (term expires 12/31/20). Councilman Robinson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Fair Trade, Farmer's Market, Shade Tree and EAC – Mrs. A. Johnson

Vice President A. Johnson mentioned the Winter Farmer's Market every first and third Sunday.

Community Development, Personnel and Media Arts Council – Mr. Hall

President Hall made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 1138 authorizing a temporary moratorium on chickens. President Hall mentioned this does not affect current chicken coops in the Borough. Councilman Robinson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Recreation and Board of Health – Mr. Boyer

Councilman Boyer mentioned the Board of Health will attend the next CDC meeting and provide a report regarding chickens. Councilman Boyer mentioned that Flower Show tickets will be available to Borough residents for \$25 each.

Finance and Library – Mr. Boyer

Councilman Boyer read the finance report. The Finance Committee reported checks drawn on the Central Disbursement account for the following funds:

General Fund	\$272,300.92
Recreation Fund	7,714.81
Liquid Fuels Fund	0.00
Capital Fund	<u>242,321.82</u>
Total	\$522,337.55

Councilman Boyer made a motion to approve the payment of bills for December. Councilwoman Dixon seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Personnel, Public Relations and Historical Archives – Ms. Dixon

Councilwoman Dixon mentioned recent news articles where Media was mentioned.

Public Comment and Privilege of the Floor

Jeff Petit of the Rose Tree Optimist Club thanked Council for their support and donation.

Adjournment

President Hall made a motion to adjourn the Council meeting at 7:55 p.m. Councilman Robinson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeffrey A. Smith
Borough Manager/Secretary