

MINUTES FOR
MONTGOMERY TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING
October 18, 2018

1. Montgomery Township Committee met at the Municipal Building, 2261 Van Horne Road, Belle Mead, NJ at 6:30 p.m. on the above date. Those present were:

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE: Mayor Madrid, Committeemembers Trzaska, Jaffer and Quraishi
Deputy Mayor Graham was absent

Also present were:

TOWNSHIP ATTORNEY - Lisa Maddox, Esq.

TOWNSHIP ADMINISTRATOR - Donato Nieman

CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER - Michael Pitts

TOWNSHIP CLERK - Donna Kukla

2. Mayor Madrid stated the following: "Under the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act, notice of the time and place of this meeting has been posted and sent to the officially designated newspapers."
3. Mayor Madrid led the Salute to the Flag.

4. **RESOLUTION TO CLOSE MEETING TO THE PUBLIC**

BE IT RESOLVED By the Township Committee of the Township of Montgomery in Somerset County, New Jersey as follows:

1. The Township Committee will now convene in a closed session that will be limited only to consideration of items with respect to which the public may be excluded pursuant to Section 7B of the Open Public Meetings Act.
2. The general nature of the subjects to be discussed in this session are as follows:
 - Bloomberg Tax Appeal;
 - Potential acquisition of property for farmland, open space (Block 14001, Lot 7 {"Forfa"}).
3. It is unknown precisely when the matters discussed in this session will be disclosed to the public. Acquisition of property shall only be authorized by the Township Committee in a public session.
- 4-1. Committeeman Trzaska moved the adoption of the foregoing resolution. The motion was seconded by Committeeman Quraishi and carried unanimously.
5. Meeting reconvened in Open Session.
6. **PUBLIC COMMENT**
- 6-1. Larry Koplik, Shade Tree Committee Chair, explained that the Open Space Coordinator received a grant for the Township to plant street trees. The Shade Tree Committee used part of that money for Red Oak Way. There are two streets they are working on this fall, using grant money, and more planned for next spring. One of the streets planned for this fall is Stacy Drive. He explained the procedure the Shade Tree Committee has about informing residents about trees to be planted. They give them a letter telling them that trees will be planted on their street. He explained all of the logistics in carrying out a plan like this. He stated that when a resident tells them that they do not want trees planted, after explaining why they should be planted, they take them off the list and do not plant at that site. Mayor Madrid suggested it might be better if the Shade Tree Committee includes language that explains that the homeowner can say no to the planting because that is not clear when reading the letter. Mr. Koplik also suggested that there be a deadline date put on the letter, so he can give the nurseries and landscapers a definite number of trees needed well before the date they are needed. Mayor Madrid stated that there had to be a solution, because there are residents calling saying that they do not want the trees planted and the Township cannot tell them that they have to have the trees. There was discussion about the number of trees already prepared for shipping and planting. Committeewoman Jaffer suggested that Mr. Koplik reach out via email to the residents and state that they have until Friday, October 26 to let him know that they don't want the trees planted otherwise all trees will be planted as planned. She also stated that going forward the Shade Tree Committee should make it seem like it's an opt-in opportunity. Committeewoman Jaffer asked that when a street is picked for planting, could there be an information session for the residents of that street. Mayor Madrid stated that the immediate situation was Stacy Drive. She asked Mr. Koplik to reach out to the residents and find out how many wanted the trees. She also asked Mr. Koplik to come up with a back-up plan on what to do with any trees that were contracted to the Township and whether they were going to be used or not. She suggested the possibility of placing the unused trees in one of the Township's parks.

Mr. Koplik stated that the grant was very specific as to where the trees were to be planted. He explained that the Township would have to pay for everything if the trees were to be planted elsewhere. Committeeman Trzaska suggested that the residents be contacted one more time before the planting begins, just to make sure they are on board with the planting.

Michel Parise, Dutchtown-Zion Road, suggested that the Shade Tree Committee come up to Dutchtown-Zion Road and look at all of the Ash trees which are dying. She stated that there are residents who are opting out of removing these dead trees even though it is for safety reasons.

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- 6-2. Michel Parise, Dutchtown-Zion Road, spoke about her confusion regarding the marijuana ordinance and asked when the public hearing was, how many people were in attendance and how was it conveyed to the community. She asked about how the meeting was advertised. Mayor Madrid explained that it was noticed by the Township Clerk according to the public notice regulations and laws. Ms. Parise stated that an item that the entire community might be interested in knowing about should be more widely advertised. She expressed her concern that not enough research was done when the ordinance was being considered and before it was adopted. She asked what this ordinance means if the state passes the law to legalize marijuana. Mayor Madrid explained that if the legislation is passed that allows the sale of recreational marijuana within the State of New Jersey, the ordinance opts Montgomery out of the ability to have those dispensaries, for recreational marijuana only. Ms. Parise asked if that prohibits farmers from growing marijuana for dispensaries outside the Township. Committeeman Trzaska explained that farmers could grow medical marijuana as long as they have the correct permits and went through the correct process with the State of New Jersey, but could not grow it for recreational marijuana use. She expressed that she was disappointed in how this all came about and felt it was hidden from the community. Committeewoman Jaffer agreed and stated that it could have been publicized better. She stated that there is an option to have a town hall meeting, not necessarily at a Township Committee meeting, about important issues. Ms. Parise suggested that an outside, independent researcher should have been involved, someone not attached to the Township.
- 6-3. Robert Goodman, Bedford Drive, stated that he found out about this ordinance via social media. He stated he wasn't for or against the ordinance, he just felt that they didn't publicize it enough. Mayor Madrid explained that this was one of the reasons the Governing Body wanted this ordinance, so that if the state were to legalize marijuana there would not be any dispensaries or shops selling recreational marijuana in the Township. Committeewoman Jaffer stated that ordinance basically says that the Governing Body doesn't agree with the state legalization because it's going to be detrimental to our community and she thinks it overreaches in its statements and not based in fact. She also stated that she felt it was making a political statement, especially to do it before anyone knows what the law is going to say. If it had been adopted after the law was passed, residents would have been more alerted to pay attention to what Montgomery is doing since the state is going to allow towns to opt in or opt out. Mr. Goodman stated that this should have been a full township vote, not decided by the Governing Body. He suggested that the Governing Body should communicate with the residents via the Community Board on Facebook, on Twitter, on social media. Committeewoman Jaffer stated that she felt that this was a valid option.
- 6-4. Larry Koplik, Shade Tree Committee chair, stated that he was going to go back to the houses on Stacy Drive that haven't communicated with him and find out if they were opting in or opting out and wouldn't plant the trees until he was 100% sure.
- 6-5. Committeeman Trzaska had to leave the dais for the evening.
- 6-6. Eden Richman, Taggart Drive, asked why this very important marijuana topic be put on the ballot. She felt this was something that would affect all Township residents.
- Mayor Madrid asked the Attorney if there was a specific mechanism for what goes on the ballot initiatives and what doesn't. Attorney Maddox stated that she would have to do some research into that.
- Ms. Richman asked what the rush in passing this ordinance was. She stated that it could have waited until everyone knew what the law was going to be. Mayor Madrid responded that when someone puts an application in because they would like to have a business in town, it is a zoning issue. If the state acts and those are the laws that are in place at the time when someone puts in that application and there is a law that says they can have that and if the Township had not acted, it goes by the laws that are in affect at the time of the application. Ms. Richman asked the Governing Body to put this issue out to a public vote.
- 6-7. Matthew Irving, Taggart Drive, stated that if students wanted marijuana, they can already get it. He suggested that notices could have been put out on social media or a notice mailed to all of the residents. He thought it was ridiculous that the Township Committee made this decision for the residents without all of their input. Committeewoman Jaffer agreed and stated that she thought it deserved more attention and the Governing Body can and should do more to reach out to the public for important issues that would be of interest to a lot of people.

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- 6-8. Christine Newman, Spring Hill Road, stated that her elderly mother has chronic, painful arthritis throughout her body. At this time she is taking Oxycontin three or four times a day for the pain. This drug makes her feel terrible and causes physical problems. A friend went to Colorado and brought back CBD capsules which made her mother feel much better. When they ran out her mother was in pain again. It would be great to go somewhere in town to get some CBD oil. It is still not clear to her how this ordinance was written, by whom, and who had input into it. Mayor Madrid stated that she asked legal counsel, Kevin Van Hise, to research the ordinances that other towns have passed on the subject and there was some back and forth between the Mayor and the attorney. The ordinance was then sent to the entire Governing Body at the same time. This is the typical way an ordinance is created. Mayor Madrid explained that several members of the Governing Body had conversations with the Township Attorney about this subject. Ms. Newman asked which members of the Governing Body. Mayor Madrid stated that she had, former Mayor Conforti had, and she believed Committeeman Trzaska had. When asked if any other members had input, she stated that she did not know as she was not privy to those conversations. Committeewoman Jaffer stated that some people were not even aware that it was even up for conversation at that meeting. When she received the draft, she submitted some suggestions. Towns would be able to opt in or out per the legislation when it comes through. In her opinion, it should be up to people in each town whether they are comfortable with it or not. She had tried to provide evidence to that effect saying in states that they legalized it, drug rates for teens has actually gone down.
- 6-9. Matthew Irving, Taggart Drive, asked if research was usually carried out for all ordinances. Mayor Madrid stated that there were people who came and spoke on the topic and presented their research. Committeewoman Jaffer stated that she felt they could have invited people with other perspectives to speak.
- 6-10. Barbara Preston, Montgomery News, said she wished the Montgomery News had the pull and clout that Mayor Madrid has because when she posted on Facebook a lot of people read that post and listened. She commended the Mayor for posting her feelings on social media and she thought it was the first time that she did post. She thought that something that was struggled with is using social media and how to get the message out quickly and how to get those messages out so that they represent all sides.
- 6-11. Michel Parise, Dutchtown-Zion Road, stated that the communication was really poor. When the Governing Body was starting to have this discussion months ago, about if the state does this and if the state does that, it would have been the appropriate time to have a town hall meeting to get the general consensus before there was an ordinance put in place. The Township could have mailed something to all of the homeowners. With this issue, the Governing Body has lost her trust and she is sure the trust of many other residents.
- 6-12. Lisa Shapiro, Township Line Road, stated that she felt social media is the only way to communicate in this day and age. She stated that she was not passionate about this issue, but the one thing that irritated her about the Facebook post was the "red herring" of save the children. She has two children in high school and she can tell anyone that it is loaded with drugs. Another thing that really irritated her was that partisan politics and state partisan politics seems to be filtering down to the local level. She stated that the Township should worry and concern themselves on Township issues.
7. **CONSENT AGENDA** - All matters listed hereunder are considered to be routine in nature and will be enacted in one motion. Any Township Committeeperson may request that an item be removed for separate consideration.

A. **RESOLUTION #18-10-225 - REFUND OVERPAID 2018 TAXES**

BE IT RESOLVED That refunds be given to the following for the overpayment of 2018 taxes:

<u>Block</u>	<u>Lot</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
18020	25	PNC Bank, NA, Tax Department	\$4,755.12
27002	8	Christopher & Linda Davis, c/o Mary Tucka	\$ 371.49
37002	4.41	Wells Fargo Real Estate Tax Services	\$3,544.07

B. **RESOLUTION #18-10-226 - ACCEPTANCE OF DONATION - Montgomery Friends of Open Space**

BE IT RESOLVED That the Montgomery Township Committee hereby accepts the following donation from the Montgomery Friends of Open Space to be used for the installation of signage for the Zion Crossing property (block 10001 lots 1, 1.01, 2, 3 & 4).

<u>Check</u>	<u>Amount</u>
872	\$379.75

C. **RESOLUTION #18-10-227 - ACCEPTANCE OF DONATION - Sourland Cycles - Bicycle Rack**

BE IT RESOLVED That the Montgomery Township Committee hereby accepts the donation of a bicycle rack from Sourland Cycles for the Zion Crossing property (Block 10001, Lots 1, 1.01, 2, 3 & 4).

D. **RESOLUTION #18-10-228 - ACCEPTANCE OF DONATION - Montgomery Friends of Open Space - Bench & Interpretive Kiosk**

BE IT RESOLVED That the Montgomery Township Committee hereby accepts the donations of a bench and interpretive kiosk from the Montgomery Friends of Open Space for the Zion Crossing property (Block 10001, Lots 1, 1.01, 2, 3 & 4).

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E. **RESOLUTION #18-10-229 - AMENDING RESOLUTION #18-9-214 - APPROVAL OF INSTALLATION OF FIRE HYDRANTS - Sharbell Route 518**

BE IT RESOLVED By the Montgomery Township Committee that Resolution #18-9-214, adopted on September 20, 2018 be amended to authorize New Jersey American Water to delete public hydrant #6 located at corner of Road "A" and Route 518, located on project name: Sharbell Route 518. There will only be five (5) public hydrants instead of six (6).

F. **RESOLUTION #18-10-230 - AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1, et seq., WITH PRINCETON FOR PUBLIC HEALTH EDUCATIONAL SERVICES**

WHEREAS, The governing bodies of the Township of Montgomery and Princeton desire to execute a shared services agreement pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1, et seq., for public health educational services; and

WHEREAS, A shared services agreement, setting forth the rights and responsibilities of Montgomery Township and Princeton, has been prepared and circulated for approval by the governing bodies of Montgomery and Princeton.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED By the Township Committee of the Township of Montgomery, Somerset County, New Jersey, that the Township Committee approves the Township's participation in the shared services agreement with Princeton for public health educational services; and further that the Mayor and Clerk are authorized and directed to execute the shared services agreement; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED That a copy of the shared services agreement will be available, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:65-5.b., at the offices of the Township Clerk for public inspection.

7-1. Committeeman Quraishi moved the adoption of the **CONSENT AGENDA**. The motion was seconded by Committeewoman Jaffer and carried on the following:

ROLL CALL - Ayes - Quraishi, Jaffer, Madrid
Nays - None
Absent - Trzaska, Graham

8. **RESOLUTION #18-10-231 - CONCURRING WITH THE MUNICIPALITY OF PRINCETON'S AWARD OF BID FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO CHERRY VALLEY ROAD EAST PROJECT**

WHEREAS, The Municipality of Princeton and the Township of Montgomery share a common municipal boundary line along Cherry Valley Road; and

WHEREAS, Princeton and Montgomery have determined that certain improvements are necessary to Cherry Valley Road and have agreed to undertake such improvements known as the "Improvements to Cherry Valley Road East Project"; and

WHEREAS, Princeton has agreed to be the lead agency for the Improvements to the Cherry Valley Road East Project; and

WHEREAS, Following the review of the eight (8) bids received by Princeton on September 27, 2018, it has been determined that the lowest responsible bidder for said capital project is S. Brothers in the amount of \$2,987,198.05; and

WHEREAS, The Improvements to Cherry Valley Road East Project is being jointly completed with the Municipality of Princeton in accordance with a Shared Services Agreement dated July 9, 2018; and

WHEREAS, The New Jersey Department of Transportation has made funding available to Montgomery Township in the amount of \$797,167 and the Municipality of Princeton in the amount of \$902,554 to assist with the cost of the Improvements to Cherry Valley Road East Project; and

WHEREAS, The Municipality of Princeton awarded said bid to S. Brothers on October 8, 2018.

WHEREAS, The Chief Financial Officer has certified that sufficient funds are available to pay for said services in account #s 04-215-55-901-1360A, 04-215-55-901-1387A, 04-215-55-901-1416B, 04-215-55-901-1472B, 04-215-55-901-1494B and 04-215-55-901-1521B

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED By the Township Committee of the Township of Montgomery as follows:

1. The Montgomery Township Committee concurs with the Municipality of Princeton's award of bid for a Contract to S. Brothers Inc., in the amount of \$2,987,198.05, to undertake and complete the Improvements to Cherry Valley Road East Project as set forth in the Specifications, Instructions to Bidders and the contract documents for this capital project.
2. In accordance with the Shared Services Agreement dated July 9, 2018, Montgomery Township shall, and is authorized to, pay its share of the cost of the Improvements to Cherry Valley Road East Project in the amount of \$1,493,599.03.

8-1. Committeewoman Jaffer moved the adoption of the foregoing resolution. The motion was seconded by Committeeman Quraishi and carried on the following:

ROLL CALL - Ayes - Quraishi, Jaffer, Madrid
Nays - None
Absent - Trzaska, Graham

9. **RESOLUTION #18-10-232 - RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING AND DESIGN SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH CSX TRANSPORTATION, INC. FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF THE PROPOSED HOLLOW ROAD QUIET ZONE**

WHEREAS, Pursuant to rules established by the Federal Railroad Administration ("FRA"), and in cooperation with the FRA, local governments may prohibit the sounding of locomotive horns at grade crossings through the establishment of a "Quiet Zone" and the implementation of railroad grade crossing improvements; and

WHEREAS, There is a railroad grade crossing located on Hollow Road, a roadway owned and maintained by the Township; and

WHEREAS, The Township has determined that the implementation of a Quiet Zone for the Hollow Road railroad grade crossing (US DOT Crossing No. 592920K / Rail Mile Post 45.29) serves the public health, safety and welfare; and

WHEREAS, The Township has made application to create a Quiet Zone for the Hollow Road railroad grade crossing that would restrict the routine sounding of railroad horns twenty-four hours per day, seven days a week, and that would involve the placement of a four-quadrant gate (the "Project"); and

WHEREAS, CSX Transportation, Inc. ("CSXT") is the railroad company that currently operates over the crossing within the proposed Quiet Zone; and

WHEREAS, As required for the establishment of a Quiet Zone, the Township has requested that CSXT proceed with the necessary engineering and design services for the Project to facilitate the parties' consideration of the Project and has agreed to reimburse CSXT for the costs of such services; and

WHEREAS, CSXT has estimated that the total costs and expenses for the engineering and design services for the Project to be approximately \$28,600; and

WHEREAS, Due to the scope and nature and projected cost of the specified services, the services being provided are not subject to the public bidding requirements of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-3(a) and 40A:11-6.1(a); and

WHEREAS, The Chief Financial Officer has certified that sufficient funds are available to pay for said services in account #04-215-55-901-1542B.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED By the Township Committee of the Township of Montgomery, in Somerset County, New Jersey, as follows:

1. A certain agreement entitled "Preliminary Engineering Agreement" by and between the Township of Montgomery and CSX Transportation, Inc. for engineering and/or design services for the proposed Hollow Road Quiet Zone is hereby approved, and the Mayor and Clerk are authorized to execute the same.
2. A true copy of the executed agreement shall remain on file in the office of the Township Clerk.

9-1. Committeeman Quraishi moved the adoption of the foregoing resolution. The motion was seconded by Committeewoman Jaffer and carried on the following:

ROLL CALL - Ayes - Quraishi, Jaffer, Madrid
Nays - None
Absent - Trzaska, Graham

10. **RESOLUTION #18-10-233 - RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MILITARY RE-ENACTORS EVENTS FOR VETERANS DAY 2018**

WHEREAS, Veterans Day is a national, public holiday on which all persons who have served in the Armed Forces of the United States are honored; and

WHEREAS, Veterans Day is observed every year on November 11; and

WHEREAS, The Township of Montgomery will hold a Veterans Day observance on November 11, 2018 at the Montgomery Veterans Memorial; and

WHEREAS, As part of the Township's Veterans Day observance, military re-enactors, including the 6th New York Artillery, 9th Division WWII Historical Preservation Society and 45th Infantry Division World War II Reenactor and Venturing Crew (hereinafter "Re-enactors"), have been invited by the Township to participate in the Township's Veterans Day ceremonies and to conduct educational programs and demonstrations in Montgomery Veterans Park; and

WHEREAS, As part of their programs and demonstrations, the Re-enactors will use antique artillery and period firearms, specifically including an original model 1857 Napoleon cannon cast in 1863, Civil War era Carbines, Springfield rifles, Enfield rifles, M1 Garand rifles, M1 Carbines, M1903 Springfield rifles and variants thereof (hereinafter "Antique Cannons and Firearms"); and

WHEREAS, The Re-enactors will set up the re-enactment area on November 10 and camp out overnight within the park as part of their participation in the ceremonies; and

WHEREAS, When authorized by the Township Committee and the Township's chief law enforcement officer, the use of antique cannons and firearms in conjunction with Township-sponsored historical re-enactments, may be permitted in Township parks; and

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WHEREAS, When authorized by the Township Committee, the hours of operation for municipal parks may be amended for a specific activity, event or use; and

WHEREAS, The Township Committee deems the programs and demonstrations to be conducted by the Re-enactors to be educational and respectful of veterans; and

WHEREAS, The participation of the Re-enactors in the Township's annual Veterans Day observance is greatly appreciated and supported by the Township, residents and attendees and is a wonderful and welcome addition to the ceremonies.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED By the Township Committee of the Township of Montgomery, in Somerset County, New Jersey, as follows:

1. Pursuant to subsection 9-1.j of the Code of the Township of Montgomery (1984) (the "Township Code"), the use Antique Cannons and Firearms by the Re-enactors in Montgomery Veterans Park as part of the Montgomery Township Veterans Day 2018 ceremonies is hereby authorized.
2. Pursuant to subsection 9-2.b of the Township Code, the hours of operation of Montgomery Veterans Park is hereby temporarily amended for the period of November 10 through November 11, 2018 in order to permit the setup, bivouac and overnight stay of the Re-enactors and support personnel for the Township's Veterans Day 2018 ceremonies.

10-1. Committeeman Quraishi moved the adoption of the foregoing resolution. The motion was seconded by Committeewoman Jaffer and carried on the following:

ROLL CALL - Ayes - Quraishi, Jaffer, Madrid
Nays - None
Absent - Trzaska, Graham

11. **RESOLUTION #18-10-234 - ABC LICENSE #1813-33-002-017 - AJA Montgomery, LLC**

WHEREAS, Based on the following information regarding the renewal of ABC License #1813-33-002-017 for AJA Montgomery, LLC:

- a. The submitted application form is complete in all aspects;
- b. The applicant is qualified to be licensed according to all standards established by the New Jersey Alcoholic Beverage Control Act, the regulations promulgated thereunder, as well as any pertinent local ordinances or division-approved conditions; and
- c. The applicant previously disclosed, and the Township Committee from the authority previously reviewed, the source of funds used in connection with the initial purchase of the license and licensed business and additional financing obtained in connection with the licensed business;
- d. No reports of violations have been filed by the Health Officer, Police Department and Fire Prevention Official.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED By the Township Committee of the Township of Montgomery that a renewal of Alcoholic Beverage Control License #1813-33-002-017 is hereby granted for the year 2018-2019.

11-1. Committeewoman Jaffer moved the adoption of the foregoing resolution. The motion was seconded by Committeeman Quraishi and carried on the following:

ROLL CALL - Ayes - Quraishi, Jaffer, Madrid
Nays - None
Absent - Trzaska, Graham

12. **ORDINANCE #18-1594 - Authorizing the Transfer of Portions of Cairns Place to Contiguous Property Owners - Public Hearing**

A. Mayor Madrid read the title of the ordinance as follows:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONTGOMERY IN SOMERSET
COUNTY, NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF PORTIONS
OF CAIRNS PLACE TO CONTIGUOUS PROPERTY OWNERS

B. Mayor Madrid opened the hearing to the public. There being no comment, Committeewoman Jaffer moved to close the public hearing. The motion was seconded by Committeeman Quraishi and carried unanimously.

C. BE IT RESOLVED By the Township Committee of the Township of Montgomery that the foregoing ordinance be hereby adopted this 18th day of October, 2018 and that notice thereof be published in an official newspaper as required by law.

12-1. Committeeman Quraishi moved the adoption of the foregoing resolution. The motion was seconded by Committeewoman Jaffer and carried on the following:

ROLL CALL - Ayes - Quraishi, Jaffer, Madrid
Nays - None
Absent - Trzaska, Graham

13. ORDINANCE #18-1595 - Amending Service Charges for Returned Payments - Introduction

A. Mayor Madrid read the title of the ordinance as follows:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONTGOMERY AMENDING
SERVICE CHARGES FOR RETURNED PAYMENTS.

B. BE IT RESOLVED By the Township Committee of the Township of Montgomery that the foregoing ordinance be hereby passed on first reading and that the same be published in an official newspaper as required by law together with a Notice of Pending Ordinance fixing November 1, 2018 at approximately 7:00 p.m. as the date and time when said ordinance will be further considered for final adoption.

13-1. Committeeman Quraishi moved the adoption of the foregoing resolution. The motion was seconded by Committeewoman Jaffer and carried on the following:

ROLL CALL - Ayes - Quraishi, Jaffer, Madrid
Nays - None
Absent - Trzaska, Graham

14. ORDINANCE #18-1596 - Updating Drug Free School and Public Park Zones Map - Introduction

A. Mayor Madrid read the title of the ordinance as follows:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 3-13 DRUG FREE SCHOOL AND
PUBLIC PARK ZONES MAP OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF
MONTGOMERY (1984)

B. BE IT RESOLVED By the Township Committee of the Township of Montgomery that the foregoing ordinance be hereby passed on first reading and that the same be published in an official newspaper as required by law together with a Notice of Pending Ordinance fixing November 1, 2018 at approximately 7:00 p.m. as the date and time when said ordinance will be further considered for final adoption.

14-1. Committeeman Quraishi moved the adoption of the foregoing resolution. The motion was seconded by Committeewoman Jaffer and carried on the following:

ROLL CALL - Ayes - Quraishi, Jaffer, Madrid
Nays - None
Absent - Trzaska, Graham

15. PAYMENT OF BILLS

WHEREAS, The Township Committee of the Township of Montgomery has received bills to be paid as listed; and

WHEREAS, The Chief Finance Officer and the Township Administrator have reviewed these bills and have certified that these bills represent goods and/or services received by the Township, that these are authorized and budgeted expenditures and that sufficient funds are available to pay these bills.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED By the Township Committee of the Township of Montgomery as follows:

1. That these bills are hereby authorized for payment; and
2. That checks in the proper amounts are prepared and that necessary bookkeeping entries are made; and
3. That the proper Township Officials are authorized to sign the checks.

15-1. Committeeman Quraishi moved the adoption of the foregoing resolution. The motion was seconded by Committeewoman Jaffer and carried on the following:

ROLL CALL - Ayes - Quraishi, Jaffer, Madrid
Nays - None
Absent - Trzaska, Graham

16. COMMITTEE AND SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

16-1. NOT IN OUR TOWN

Committeewoman Jaffer stated that the next Not In Our Town meeting was scheduled for October 29 from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at the Harlingen Reformed Church.

16-2. PLANNING BOARD

Mayor Madrid stated that the Planning Board approved the plans for Montgomery Walk, which is the area that is currently the Village Shopper.

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16-3. ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

Administrator Nieman stated that the Environmental Commission discussed continuing their efforts with Rotary for Earth Day. Earth Day falls on Easter weekend in 2019, they have decided to move the date of their Earth Day celebration to coincide with Run with Rotary which will be May 5. They also had draft copies of the Natural Resource Inventory which they will review at their January meeting. They are also looking forward to getting the invasive species ordinance brought before the Governing Body in the near future.

ADJOURNMENT was at 8:50 p.m. on a motion by Committeewoman Jaffer. The motion was seconded by Committeeman Quraishi and carried unanimously.

Date of Approval:

Donna Kukla, Township Clerk