

MEETING MINUTES  
MONTGOMERY COUNTY COUNCIL  
MONTGOMERY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
MAY 12, 2020  
9:00 a.m.

Virtual Meeting held via link below:  
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The May 12, 2020 Montgomery County Council Meeting was held at 9:00 am virtually via GoToMeeting. In attendance were Council Vice-President Tom Mellish, Councilmen Gary Booth, Don Mills, Greg Morrison, Mark Davidson and Mark Smith. Auditor Jennifer Andel and Attorney Rob Reimondo were present, as well as County Administrator Mark Casteel and Attorney Dan Taylor.

- I. CALL TO ORDER: Council Vice-President Mellish called the meeting to order, followed by the Pledge and a Prayer given by Councilman Smith.
- II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A motion to approve the April 14, 2020 minutes as made by Councilman Booth, seconded by Councilman Morrison. Motion carried 6-0.
- III. PUBLIC COMMENT ON ANY AGENDA ITEMS: None.
- IV. MONEY MATTERS:
  - A. Additional Appropriations (*ALREADY APPROVED BY COUNCIL IN APRIL*):
    1. \$1,743.00 to COGEN – Public Defender – Chief Public Defender (1000.11421.0271)
    2. \$600.00 to COGEN – Veteran Services – Equipment Repair (1000.30500.0012)
    3. \$10,000.00 to Health Fund – Health Officer Salary (1159.11162.0610)
    4. \$574.00 to Health Fund – Sanitarian (1159.11516.0610)
    5. \$2,885.00 to Health Fund – Health Educator (1159.11309.0610)
    6. \$2,343.00 to Health Fund – EHS Septic (1159.11216.0610)
    7. \$2,487.00 to Health Fund – EHS Foods (1159.11061.0610)
    8. \$1,683.00 to Health Fund – Vital Records (1159.11526.0610)
    9. \$14,526.60 REIMBURSEMENT to PS LIT – Communications (1170.30017.0005)
    10. \$8,713.23 REIMBURSEMENT to JCAP (Men's) Grant (9130.37001.0005)
    11. \$25,700.00 to CCC – Dispatcher (1222.11043.0303)
    12. \$192.00 REIMBURSEMENT to Vet Court Grant (9157.30187.0235)
    13. \$96.00 REIMBURSEMENT to PSC Vet Court Grant (9159.30300.0235)
      - a. Auditor Andel explained lines 1-13 were approved at the April 14, 2020 meeting. A delay in printing by the newspaper nullified that vote, which is why they are being presented again.
      - b. A motion to approve lines 1-13 was made by Councilman Mills, seconded by Councilman Morrison. Motion carried 6-0.
  - B. Additional Appropriations (*NEW FOR MAY*)
    1. \$741.71 REIMBURSEMENT to PS LIT – Vehicle Repair (1170.30100.0005)
    2. \$289.00 REIMBURSEMENT to PS LIT – Seminars/Training (1170.33500.0005)
    3. \$277.64 REIMBURSEMENT to PS LIT – Travel Expenses (1170.21001.0005)
    4. \$802.02 REIMBURSEMENT to COGEN – Meals (1000.20004.0380)
    5. \$1,750.00 REIMBURSEMENT to Firearms Training (1156.24202.0005)
      - a. A motion to approve lines 1-5 was made by Councilman Booth, seconded by Councilman Mills. Motion carried 6-0.
    6. \$425.40 REIMBURSEMENT to PSC Drug Court Grant – Training (9158.3003.0235)
      - a. A motion to approve line 6 was made by Councilman Morrison, seconded by Councilman Booth. Motion carried 6-0.
    7. \$40,000.00 to COGEN – Commissioners – Special Legal Fees (1000.30240.0068)
      - a. Councilman Booth suggested they use money from the Council budget to cover this expense, instead of an additional appropriation against County General
      - b. A motion to approve paying \$40,000 from Council Special Appropriations (1000.30081.000.0061) for the Commissioner's Special Legal Fees was made by Councilman Booth, seconded by Councilman Mills. Motion carried 6-0.
    8. \$900.00 REIMBURSEMENT to COGEN – Superior 2 – Interpreter (1000.30051.0202)
      - a. A motion to approve line 8 was made by Councilman Smith, seconded by Councilman Morrison. Motion carried 6-0.

C. Transfers:

1. \$591.50 from COGEN – Surveyor – Contractual Services (1000.30050.0006) to Supplies (1000.24202.0006)
  - a. A motion to approve line 1 was made by Councilman Booth, seconded by Councilman Morrison. Motion carried 6-0.
2. \$4,000.00 from COGEN – Election Expense – Absent Voters Board (1000.11314.0104) to Election Supplies (1000.21860.0104)
  - a. Clerk Douglas stated her added expenses were due to COVID-19 and will likely be reimbursed.
  - b. A motion to approve line 2 was made by Councilman Mills, seconded by Councilman Morrison. Motion carried 6-0.
3. \$32,760.33 from IDOC Probation Grant – PO Salary (9166.11105.0235) to PO Salary (9166.TBD.0235)
  - a. A motion to approve line 3 was made by Councilman Booth, seconded by Councilman Morrison. Motion carried 6-0.
4. \$2,840.00 from CCC – Dispatcher (4900.11414.0303) to Overtime (4900.11021.0303)
5. \$720.00 from CCC – Dispatcher (4900.11414.0303) to Worker's Compensation (4900.12095.0303)
6. \$2,840.00 from CCC – Dispatcher (4900.11414.0303) to Office Supplies (4900.24201.0303)
  - a. A motion to approve lines 4-6 was made by Councilman Morrison, seconded by Councilman Smith. Motion carried 6-0.
7. \$3,000.00 from Health Fund – Travel Expenses (1159.30001.0610) to Travel Expenses/Food/Fuel (1159.21001.0610)
  - a. A motion to approve line 7 was made by Councilman Booth, seconded by Councilman Morrison. Motion carried 6-0.

V. NEW BUSINESS: None.

VI. OLD BUSINESS: None.

VII. STAFF & ELECTED OFFICIALS' REPORTS:

- A. County Administrator Mark Casteel shared that the Commissioners extended the Public Health Emergency through June 15, 2020, with a tentative reopening of county offices immediately following. He also requested clarification on the ERPS proposed new job classifications. Auditor Anzel explained the minutes did not reflect a vote on that matter. Casteel asked that if a vote was not taken, that it be on the agenda for the next meeting.
- B. Auditor Jennifer Anzel stated that the spring tax season is looking similar to 2018 as far as payments processed thus far. After processing is complete through the Treasurer, her office will move forward with settling funds. She also shared that the SBOA is in the beginning stages for the 2019 Audit and she will soon be scheduling the entrance interview with the Council and Commissioner Presidents.
- C. Treasurer Heather Laffoon shared via meeting chat that her report was in the Council mailbox.

VIII. DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS: None.

IX. FUNDED ORGANIZATIONS' REPORTS:

- A. Purdue Extension Director Nagele asked when the budget worksheets would be available. Auditor Anzel stated she would open up the worksheets after approval from the Budget Committee, so much of the data would be preloaded.

X. COUNCIL MEMBERS' REPORTS:

- a. Councilman Gary Booth extended his appreciation towards Jeremy Philips and the Highway Department for their early morning starts and hard work during this time. He also wished Council President Terry Hockersmith well during his absence and thanked Council Vice-President Tom Mellish for stepping up.
- b. Councilman Don Mills spoke on the budget, sharing concerns that we are still in the early stages of knowing how the pandemic will affect the county, and that talks had begun with the Budget Committee regarding such.
- c. Council Vice-President Tom Mellish stated he has been in conversations with EMA Director Harrington, Auditor Anzel, and others and he feels good about being reimbursed around 75% of expenditures related to COVID-19.

XI. CLAIMS:

- A. \$542.69 – Peters Municipal Consultants, LTD – service 04/01/2020 through 04/30/2020
  - a. A motion to approve was made by Councilman Morrison, seconded by Councilman Booth. Motion carried 6-0.
- B. \$3,588.50 – Capper Tulley & Reimondo – service 01/22/2020 through 05/07/2020
  - a. A motion to approve was made by Councilman Morrison, seconded by Councilman Mills. Motion carried 6-0.

XII. INSERT: Next regular meeting: 9:00 a.m. Tuesday, June 9, 2020 via virtual meeting.

XIII. PUBLIC COMMENT:

- a. Mark Casteel reminded everyone of the Financial Planning virtual meeting being held at 10:30 this morning, May 12, with Jeff Peters. All are welcome.

XIV. ADJOURN: A motion to adjourn was made by Councilman Booth, seconded by Councilman Mills. Motion carried 6-0.

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Terry Hockersmith, President

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Tom Mellish, Vice President

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Greg Morrison, Councilman

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Don Mills, Councilman

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Gary Booth, Councilman

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Mark Davidson, Councilman

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Mark Smith, Councilman

Attest:

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Jennifer Andel, Auditor