

MEETING MINUTES
MONTGOMERY COUNTY COUNCIL
MONTGOMERY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
October 11, 2022

The October 11, 2022 Montgomery County Council Meeting was held at 9:00 am at the Community Meeting Room of the Montgomery County Government Center. In attendance were Council President Tom Mellish and Councilmen Dave Hunt, Gary Booth, Jake Bohlander, Mark Davidson, Don Mills and Mark Smith. Auditor Jennifer Andel was present, along with County Administrator Tom Klein and County Attorney Dan Taylor.

- I. **CALL TO ORDER:** Council President Mellish called the meeting to order, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a prayer given by Mark Smith.
- II. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** September 13th, 2022
 - A. Councilman Davidson made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Hunt. Motion passed 7-0.
- III. **PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS:** None.
- IV. **BUDGET ADOPTION: MONTGOMERY COUNTY SOLID WASTE DISTRICT 2023 BUDGET**
 - A. Councilman Hunt made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Bohlander. Motion passed 7-0.
- V. **MONEY MATTERS:**

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS:						
<u>Fund</u>	<u>Fund Description</u>	<u>Dept #</u>	<u>Department Description</u>	<u>Account</u>	<u>Account Description</u>	<u>Additional Amount Requested</u>
1168	Local Health Maintenance	0610	Health	22030	Uniforms	\$2,000.00
1170	LIT Public Safety (REIMBURSEMENT)	0005	Sheriff	20077	Drug Investigation	\$540.00
1170	LIT Public Safety (REIMBURSEMENT)	0005	Sheriff	33500	Seminars & Training	\$2,176.70
1173	MVH Restricted	0529	Highway	23002	Gas/Oil/Lube	\$60,000.00
1176	MVH Unrestricted	0529	Highway	23000	WS Gas/Oil/Lube	\$75,000.00
1222	Statewide 911	0303	Central Communications Center	12005	MED/SS/PERF	\$17,500.00
1222	Statewide 911	0303	Central Communications Center	12050	Group Insurance	\$14,100.00
TOTAL:						\$169,316.70

- A. Councilman Smith made a motion to approve the Additional Appropriation for the Health Department, seconded by Councilman Booth. Motion passed 7-0.
- B. Councilman Mills made a motion to approve the Additional Appropriation for the Sheriff, seconded by Councilman Smith. Motion passed 7-0.
- C. Councilman Hunt made a motion to approve the Additional Appropriation for the Highway Department, seconded by Councilman Bohlander. Motion passed 7-0.
- D. Councilman Booth made a motion to approve the Additional Appropriation for the CCC, seconded by Councilman Smith. Motion passed 7-0.

TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS:								
<u>Fund</u>	<u>Fund Description</u>	<u>Dept #</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>From Account</u>	<u>Account Description</u>	<u>To Account</u>	<u>Account Description</u>	<u>Transfer Amount Requested</u>
1000	County General	9655	EMA	40004	Warning Equipment	21000	Fuel Oil	\$2,207.00
1000	County General	0313	Maintenance	20001	Cleaning & Sanitation	21000	Fuel Oil	\$3,200.00
1000	County General	0202	Superior Ct 2	30057	Law Clerk	24201	Office Supplies	\$500.00
1159	Health Fund	0610	Health	11309	Public Health Educat	30050	Contractual Services	\$2,109.00
TOTAL:								\$8,016.00

- A. Councilman Mills made a motion to approve the Transfer of Appropriations for EM-HS, seconded by Councilman Davidson. Motion passed 7-0.
- B. Councilman Davidson made a motion to approve the remainder of the requests for Transfer of Appropriations, seconded by Councilman Smith. Motion passed 7-0.

- VI. **NEW BUSINESS:**
 - A. Animal Welfare additional funding request:
 - a. Kurt Homann, on behalf of the AWL, requested an additional \$4,000 funding.
 - b. Councilman Davidson made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Hunt. Motion

passed 7-0.

- B. Fiscal Software Upgrades, Timekeeping & Attendance, Onboarding System funding request:
 - a. Auditor Andel requested funding for new software from the Council Special Appropriations line.
 - b. Councilman Booth made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Hunt. Motion passed 7-0.
- C. ERPS Committee Recommendations:
 - a. Tom Klein, on behalf of the ERPS Committee, presented several favorable recommendations.
 - i. Increases for the Building Inspector, Custodian and Veterans Service Officer. Councilman Booth made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Smith. Motion passed 7-0.
 - ii. New Financial & Grant Admin position for the Probation Office. Councilman Hunt made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Bohlander. Motion carried 6-1, with Councilman Booth in opposition.
 - iii. Increases to the Prosecuting Deputies, to be in alignment with the raises previously given to the Public Defender's. Councilman Hunt made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Bohlander. Motion carried 6-1, with Councilman Booth in opposition.
 - iv. Increases to all Court's deputies.
 - 1. Councilman Mills made a motion to approve raises for Superior Court 1, seconded by Councilman Davidson. Motion carried 5-2, with Davidson and Councilman Booth in opposition.
 - 2. Councilman Smith made a motion to approve raises for Superior Court 2, seconded by Councilman Bohlander. Motion carried 5-2, with Councilmen Davidson and Booth in opposition.
 - 3. Councilman Hunt made a motion to approve raises for Circuit Court, seconded by Councilman Bohlander. Motion carried 5-2, with Councilmen Davidson and Booth in opposition.

VII. OLD BUSINESS:

- A. 2023 County Budget updates & adjustments
 - a. Auditor Andel presented the budget, along with the adjustments made. County General was advertised at \$15,631,333. Andel added there are approximately \$2.6 million in identified reductions.
- B. Excess Levy Appeal Petition – Extension of Services
 - a. Auditor Andel stated she has advertised at the excess levy at \$2 million, but the appeal will come in around \$853,900. Counsel Dan Taylor added this petition will free up that amount (\$853,900) from the originally-advertised County General budget.
 - i. Auditor Andel asked the council for approval to file the excess levy appeal paperwork, as prepared by financial advisor, Peters Franklin, stating that the approval is up to the DLGF.
 - ii. Councilman Davidson made a motion to allow Andel to file the petition, seconded by Councilman Bohlander. Motion passed 7-0.

VIII. STAFF, ELECTED OFFICIALS, DEPARTMENT HEADS, OR FUNDED ORGANIZATIONS REPORTS

- A. County Administrator Tom Klein provided several updates on projects including; the landfill, Comfort Drive, rail and water lines, Constitution Row and ditch work. He stated the commissioners have held off the agreement with the city, in regards to EMS, to allow council time to act on the excess levy appeal petition. Lastly, he thanked Shari Harrington for her service to the County.
- B. Sheriff Ryan Needham thanked Shari Harrington for her efforts getting the grant that paid for the new SWAT vehicle. He also thanked Council for their approval.
- C. Auditor Jennifer Andel announced the state and federal audits were complete for 2021.

IX. COUNCIL MEMBERS' REPORTS:

- A. Mark Davidson thanked Shari Harrington for her service to the county and her outstanding efforts to obtain grants. Gary Booth, Dave Hunt and Tom Mellish echoed Davidson's comments.

X. CLAIMS:

- A. \$2,190.00 – Attorney Taylor's services through 9/19/2022.
 - a. Councilman Booth made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Bohlander. Motion passed 7-0.

XI. PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

XII. UPCOMING MEETINGS:

- A. Special meeting: 2023 Montgomery County Budget Hearing – Tuesday, October 18 at 9:00 a.m. at the Montgomery County GC Community Meeting Room, 1580 Constitution Row.
- B. Special meeting: 2023 Montgomery County Budget Adoption – Monday, October 31 at 9:00 a.m. at the Montgomery County GC Community Meeting Room, 1580 Constitution Row.
- C. Next regular meeting: Tuesday, November 15 at 9:00 a.m. at the Montgomery County GC Community

Meeting Room, 1580 Constitution Row.

XIII. ADJOURN: Councilman Smith made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Bohlander. Motion passed 7-0.

Tom Mellish, President

David Hunt, Vice President

Jake Bohlander, Councilman

Don Mills, Councilman

Gary Booth, Councilman

Mark Davidson, Councilman

Mark Smith, Councilman

Attest:

Jennifer Andel, Auditor

