

AGENDA MEETING

September 10, 2025

The Borough agenda meeting for September was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Council President Bernice Clark Dickerson. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and roll was called; the following was response:

Council President Bernice Dickerson – present

Councilor Doug Eagar - present

Councilor Bethann Johnson- absent

Councilor Michelle Miller-present

Council Vice President Shaunta Miller-present

Councilor Michele Roberts-present

Councilor Walter Stubbs -present

Mayor Amanda Hammock-present

ANNOUNCMENT-Solicitor Wills announced that an Executive Session was held prior to the agenda meeting at 6:30 p.m. to discuss personnel matters.

Solicitor Wills announced that anyone who wishes to comment must sign in by 6:58 p.m. and they will be provided 3 minutes; this is not a question and answer period or debate or to call out.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

<u>Dierdre McCleary – Unit 16 Silverlake Terrace</u> – discussed parking problems and issues at the Wawa and the Silver Lake Terrace., and the left turn arrow at the train tracks.

<u>Michael Lee – 123 W Sylvan ave</u> – spoke about the days getting shorter and children should not be out after dark and wear reflective clothing and use crosswalks.

<u>Bill Heffner – 571 S. Old Middletown Road, Media pa – owns various properties in Morton</u>. Was concerned about email errors on the website regarding personnel. Concerned about the procedure for hiring a police officer. Had questions about the procedure for asking questions and receiving information.

<u>Charles Lillicrapp-114 Locust Road</u> - questioning if the tax collector having hours here at the borough to collect borough real estate and school taxes.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

PUBIC FACILITIES & INFRASTRUCTURE

Councilor Johnson introduced Mr. Lillicrapp of CDCA to give highlights of CDCA report. 2026 Line cleaning and inspections –bids were received and the bid of \$179,000 was accepted.

FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

RTK—we are looking to replace the RTK officer from the borough secretary to the borough manager. Solicitor Wills explains. The action item will have Martha Preston removed and Alex Danyluk as replacement.

PUBLIC SAFETY

Vice President Miller stated that our action item is to ratify appointment of Officer Stavola to Full time officer.

PUBLIC HEALTH, SANITATION & RECYCLING

Councilor Roberts reported on abatement of 28 Providence Road. Solicitor Wills explained this is a nuisance and property maintenance issued, the owner is out of state. The property owner will be allowed to try to rectify the issue; if not then the borough will send personnel out to abate.

Councilor Roberts announced a 24th annual candlelight vigil this evening at 7:30 p.m. at Rose tree Park; regarding Suicide Prevention.

Councilor Roberts announced a kick off to end prostate cancer – Tuesday 9-23-25 . Jefferson University Kimmel center and Men's Resources Health – free prostate screening, sponsored by the Delaware County Health Department, on Thursday September the 18^{th} from 10-2-125 Chester Avenue, Yeadon PA.

LAW & ORDINANCE

Councilor Michelle Miller reported that our truck ordinance was properly advertised and will be up for adoption at the September 24^{th} meeting.

COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Councilor Eagar updated on upcoming events- Blood Drive September 16; and encouraged all to send in information for the newsletter. Fall festival will be held September 13th, sponsored by Teens for Positive Empowerment. MRFD Cornhole Tournament will be this weekend September 13th.

PARK AND RECREATION

Councilor Stubbs reported that Moore's landscaping will begin tree work in Sycamore Woods and Jacobs Park on September $15^{\rm th}$.

MAYOR REPORT

Mayor Hammock reported today is World Suicide Prevention day. She gave a prevention hotline for people to call. She is an attempt survivor; and urged all to speak with one another.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Mark Possenti spoke about an LSA grant, which is a free grant for acquisition, construction, demolition, infrastructure, purchase of machinery, vehicles and equipment. Minimum of \$25,000 maximum of \$1 million. Reimbursement program; LSA grant; utilize gambling money.

Storm water Collaborative – undertakes the Municipalities MS4 permit for storm water and regulations; and at a lower cost. He recommends staying in the Stormwater Collaborative.

Sewer and Trash – Mr. Possenti stated we are one of the last municipalities that does not have the sewer and trash on the tax bill. We are looking into this possibility; and into a closer bank to pay these bills.

ACTION ITEMS

Motion to ratify the appointment of Vincent Stavola as a full-time Police officer in the Morton Borough police Department, effective August 27, 2025. Motion made by President Dickerson, seconded by Vice President Miller. All council voiced approval, Motion carried.

Motion to appoint Alex Danyluk as the Right to Know officer for the Borough of Morton - made by Councilor Roberts; seconded by Vice President Miller. All council voted in favor. Motion carried.

Motion to adopt Resolution 2025-10— a Motion authorizing the settlement of the tax assessment appeal for 52 S Morton Avenue. Motion made by: President Dickerson, seconded by Vice President Miller. All council voiced approval. Motion carried.

Councilor Stubbs -reported on trash, speeding cars, and hedges not being cut.

Councilor Roberts -reminded all of the Clean Up day, October 11th.

OPEN DISCUSSION

Dierdre McCleary – **re**ported on some parking problems which will possibly be taking place on Silver Lake Terrace.

Bill Heffner – 571 S Old Middletown Road-Media PA – concerned about the sewer bill being on the real estate tax bill.

Cecilia Todd – **110 Althea** – Cornhole Tournament on Saturday 9-13-25. She announced Drag Queen Bingo to be held October 11^{th} at Milmont Park fire hall. Tomorrow is 9-11-25; please acknowledge the services of our police and fire department.

Charles Lillicrapp-114 Locust Road – Budget for CDCA was approved, with a 3.32% increase. He also mentioned the sewer bill; which will still be part of the quarterly payment to the CDCA.

President Dickerson announced the upcoming meetings and events.

ADJOURNMENT

President Dickerson Motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:01 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Martha Preston, Secretary