

**MONTGOMERY TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE  
REGULAR MEETING  
THURSDAY, JULY 6, 2023  
7:00 P.M.**

1. **MEETING CALLED TO ORDER**

2. **ROLL CALL** – Keenan ( ), Singh ( ), Barragan ( ), Todd ( ), Ahn ( )

**ALSO PRESENT** – Rubenstein-Quiroga ( ), Savron ( ), Fania ( )

3. **NOTICE OF MEETING** – In compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act, adequate notice of this meeting was provided on January 5, 2023, to the Courier News and the Star Ledger, posted on the municipal bulletin board, and filed with the Township Clerk.

4. **SALUTE TO THE FLAG**

5. **PUBLIC COMMENT** – Members of the public wishing to address the Township Committee on matters pertaining to the Township will be limited to five minutes per person. If comments are similar to those already stated, please indicate your support or opposition. Groups are asked to select a spokesperson.

6. **ORDINANCES - INTRODUCTION**

There are no ordinances for introduction.

7. **ORDINANCES – PUBLIC HEARING/FINAL ADOPTION**

A. **ORDINANCE #23-1701 - An Ordinance of the Township of Montgomery Providing for the Acceptance of Block 28001, Lot 5.119 in Montgomery Ridge for Road And Right-of Way Purposes**

**MOTION** to CLOSE the Public Hearing \_\_\_\_\_ Second \_\_\_\_\_

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Montgomery that the foregoing ordinance be hereby adopted this 6<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2023 and that the ordinance summary be published in an official newspaper as required by law.

**MOTION** to adopt Ordinance #23-1702 \_\_\_\_\_ Second \_\_\_\_\_

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

COMMITTEE MEMBER	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Ahn				
Todd				
Barragan				
Singh, Deputy Mayor				
Keenan, Mayor				

**B. ORDINANCE #23-1702 - An Ordinance Establishing a Comprehensive Salary and Wage Plan for the Township of Montgomery, Somerset County and to Provide for its Administration in 2023**

**MOTION** to CLOSE the Public Hearing \_\_\_\_\_ Second \_\_\_\_\_

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Montgomery that the foregoing ordinance be hereby adopted this 6<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2023 and that the ordinance summary be published in an official newspaper as required by law.

**MOTION** to adopt Ordinance #23-1702 \_\_\_\_\_ Second \_\_\_\_\_

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

COMMITTEE MEMBER	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Ahn				
Todd				
Barragan				
Singh, Deputy Mayor				
Keenan, Mayor				

8. **CONSENT AGENDA** – All matters listed on the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered separately.

**MOTION** to adopt Consent Agenda, Resolutions #23-7-178 THROUGH #23-7-181 \_\_\_\_\_ Second \_\_\_\_\_

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

COMMITTEE MEMBER	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Ahn				
Todd				
Barragan				
Singh, Deputy Mayor				
Keenan, Mayor				

**A. RESOLUTION #23-7-178 – Amending Resolution #23-4-99 Authorizing Fireworks Permit at Bedens Brook Club for Date Change to September 3, 2023**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that Resolution #23-4-99 authorizing Bedens Brook Club to conduct a fireworks display on June 16, 2023 with a rain date of June 17, 2023 be amended to reflect a new date of September 3, 2023 due to cancellation of the approved dates.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, approvals granted by the Police Department and Fire Marshall remain in effect.

**B. RESOLUTION #23-7-179 - Redemption of Tax Sale Certificate - #22000053**

**WHEREAS** the Township received payment for the redemption of Tax Sale Certificate #22000053 in the amount of \$5,657.06.

**BE IT RESOLVED** that a refund in the amount of \$5,657.06 be given to FIG 20, LLC FBO SEC PTY, P.O. Box 12225, Newark, NJ 07101 for the Redemption of Tax Sale Certificate #22000053 on Block 37003 Lot 6.56.

**Tax Lien Redemption**

Certificate Amount	\$ 1,092.32
Subsequent Charges	\$ 21.84
Redemption Penalty	\$ 1,043.19
Interest	\$ 34.71
Recording Fees	\$ 53.00
Other Fees	\$ 12.00
PREMIUM	\$ 3,400.00
 TOTAL	 \$ 5,657.06

**C. RESOLUTION #23-7-180 - Redemption of Tax Sale Certificate - #22000054**

**WHEREAS** the Township received payment for the redemption of Tax Sale Certificate #22000054 in the amount of \$5,699.07

**BE IT RESOLVED** that a refund in the amount of \$5,699.07 be given to FIG 20, LLC FBO SEC PTY, P.O. Box 12225, Newark, NJ 07101 for the Redemption of Tax Sale Certificate #22000054 on Block 37006 Lot 9.

**Tax Lien Redemption**

Certificate Amount	\$ 1,128.23
Subsequent Charges	\$ 22.56
Redemption Penalty	\$ 951.62
Interest	\$ 31.66
Recording Fees	\$ 53.00
Other Fees	\$ 12.00
PREMIUM	\$ 3,500.00
 TOTAL	 \$ 5,699.07

**D. RESOLUTION #23-7-181 - Redemption of Tax Sale Certificate - #22000045**

**WHEREAS**, the Township received payment for the redemption of Tax Sale Certificate #22000045 in the amount of \$11,078.85.

**BE IT RESOLVED** that a refund in the amount of \$11,078.85 be given to FIG 20, LLC FBO SEC PTY, P.O. Box 12225, Newark, NJ 07101 for the redemption of Tax Sale Certificate #22000045 on Block 34023 Lot 36.

Tax Lien Redemption

Certificate Amount	\$ 1,659.43
Redemption Penalty	\$ 33.19
Subsequent Charges	\$ 4,049.14
Interest	\$ 172.09
Recording Fees	\$ 53.00
Search Fees	\$ 12.00
PREMIUM	\$ 5,100.00
 TOTAL	 \$ 11,078.85

9. **RESOLUTION #23-7-182 – Authorizing Shared Services Agreement with the Borough of Peapack & Gladstone for Chief Financial Officer, Tax Collector, Qualified Purchasing Agent and Other Accounting-Related Services**

**WHEREAS**, the “Uniform Shared Services and Consolidation Act” N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1 through 40A:65-35 (the “Act”), authorizes local units of this State to enter into a contract with any other local unit or units for the joint provision within their several jurisdictions of any service which any party to the agreement is empowered to render within its own jurisdiction; and

**WHEREAS**, the Parties have identified an area where working together through shared services will result in positive outcomes for both municipalities; and

**WHEREAS**, the parties have had a shared service agreement since July 1, 2020 which expired on June 30, 2023; and

**WHEREAS**, the Parties wish to continue the Shared Services Agreement (“Agreement”) for Chief Financial Officer (“CFO”), Tax Collector (“TC”), Qualified Purchasing Agent (“QPA”) and other Accounting-related services; and

**WHEREAS**, Montgomery Township has agreed to continue providing the Borough of Peapack & Gladstone, effective July 1, 2023, with the services of its CFO, TC, QPA, and other Accounting-related services, pursuant to the terms and conditions set forth in the Shared Services Agreement between the Parties.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Montgomery, Somerset County, New Jersey, that the Township Committee hereby approves the Township’s continued participation in the Shared Services Agreement with the Borough of Peapack & Gladstone for CFO, TC, QPA, Payroll and other Accounting-related services.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Mayor and Clerk are authorized and directed to execute the shared services agreement.

**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 office of the Township Clerk for public inspection.

**MOTION** to adopt Resolution #23-7-182 \_\_\_\_\_ Second \_\_\_\_\_

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

COMMITTEE MEMBER	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Ahn				
Todd				
Barragan				
Singh, Deputy Mayor				
Keenan, Keenan				

10. **RESOLUTION #23-7-183 - Authorizing Renewal of 2023-2024 Plenary Retail Consumption License – AJA Montgomery, LLC (dba AJA Asian Cuisine & Lounge)**

**WHEREAS**, an application has been received for a Plenary Retail Consumption License; and

**WHEREAS**, an application has been made to the State of New Jersey, Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control (“ABC”) and filing fees have been paid to the Township and to the State of New Jersey, Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control; and

**WHEREAS**, an application for an Ad Interim Permit was applied for and issued by the Division of ABC June 26, 2023; and

**WHEREAS**, the Health Officer, the Police Director and Fire Inspector have inspected the applicant’s property and have approved them as per reports filed with the Township Clerk; and

**WHEREAS**, no objections have been filed with the Township Clerk; and

**WHEREAS**, said application has been examined by the Township Clerk and the Township Clerk finds that:

- The applicant electronically submitted application forms to the State of New Jersey, Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control and are complete in all respects.
- The applicant is qualified to be licensed according to all statutory, regulatory and Local Government Alcoholic Beverage Control Laws and Regulations.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Montgomery Township Committee that the Township Clerk is hereby instructed to issue the following Alcoholic Beverage Control License for the year 2023-2024:

**PLENARY RETAIL CONSUMPTION**

1813-33-002-017 AJA Montgomery, LLC (dba AJA Asian Cuisine & Lounge)

**MOTION** to adopt Resolution #23-7-183 \_\_\_\_\_ Second \_\_\_\_\_

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

COMMITTEE MEMBER	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Ahn				
Todd				
Barragan				
Singh, Deputy Mayor				
Keenan, Keenan				

**11. RESOLUTION #23-7-184 – Authorizing Renewal of 2023-2024 Plenary Retail Consumption Licenses, Plenary Retail Distribution License – MTC I, II, III, IV**

**WHEREAS**, applications have been received for three (3) Plenary Retail Consumption Licenses and one (1) Plenary Retail Distribution License for MTC I, II, III, IV; and

**WHEREAS**, these licenses are inactive and required a Special Ruling from the Director of the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control; and

**WHEREAS**, the Special Ruling to consider renewal for the 2022-2023 and 2023-2024 license terms(s) was granted on August 22, 2022; and

**WHEREAS**, applications have been made to the State of New Jersey, Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control and filing fees have been paid to the Township and to the State of New Jersey, Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control; and

**WHEREAS**, the Health Officer, the Police Director and Fire Inspector have approved them as per reports filed with the Township Clerk; and

**WHEREAS**, no objections have been filed with the Township Clerk; and

**WHEREAS**, said applications have been examined by the Township Clerk and the Township Clerk finds that:

- The applicant electronically submitted application forms to the State of New Jersey, Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control and are complete in all respects.
- The applicant is qualified to be licensed according to all statutory, regulatory and Local Government Alcoholic Beverage Control Laws and Regulations.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Montgomery Township Committee that the Township Clerk is hereby instructed to issue the following Alcoholic Beverage Control Licenses for the year 2023-2024:

**PLENARY RETAIL CONSUMPTION**

1813-33-009-002	MTC Restaurant I, LLC
1813-33-011-002	MTC Restaurant II, LLC
1813-33-012-002	MTC Restaurant III, LLC

**PLENARY RETAIL DISTRIBUTION**

1813-44-014-001

MTC Restaurant IV, LLC

**MOTION** to adopt Resolution #23-7-184 \_\_\_\_\_ Second \_\_\_\_\_

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

COMMITTEE MEMBER	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Ahn				
Todd				
Barragan				
Singh, Deputy Mayor				
Keenan, Mayor				

12. **RESOLUTION #23-7-185 – Authorizing Montgomery Township to Enter into the New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing Alliance Cooperative Pricing Agreement**

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5) authorizes contracting units to establish a Cooperative Pricing System and to enter into Cooperative Pricing Agreements for its administration; and

**WHEREAS**, the County of Bergen, hereinafter referred to as the “Lead Agency ” has offered voluntary participation in the #CK04 New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing Alliance, a cooperative pricing system for the purchase of goods and services; and

**WHEREAS**, on this date, the Township Committee of Montgomery Township, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey duly considered participation in a Cooperative Pricing System for the provision and performance of goods and services.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** as follows:

**TITLE**

This RESOLUTION shall be known and may be cited as the Cooperative Pricing Resolution of Montgomery Township.

**AUTHORITY**

Pursuant to the provisions of *N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5)*, the Qualified Purchasing Agent, is hereby authorized to enter into a Cooperative Pricing Agreement with the Lead Agency.

**CONTRACTING UNIT**

The Lead Agency shall be responsible for complying with the provisions of the *Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.)* and all other provisions of the revised statutes of the State of New Jersey.

**EFFECTIVE DATE**

This resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage.

**MOTION** to adopt Resolution #23-7-185 \_\_\_\_\_ Second \_\_\_\_\_

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

COMMITTEE MEMBER	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Ahn				
Todd				
Barragan				
Singh, Deputy Mayor				
Keenan, Mayor				

13. **RESOLUTION #23-7-186 – Awarding a Bid for a Used Freightliner M2-106 Hook Lift Truck or Equivalent, Bid #01-2023**

**WHEREAS**, advertisement for bids for a 2015 or newer used FTLR M2-106 Hook Lift Truck (or equivalent), was duly published in the Courier News; and

**WHEREAS**, bids were received and opened on March 09, 2023 at 10:00 A.M.; and

**WHEREAS**, there was one (1) bid submitted as follows:

**BIDDER:** Robert H. Hoover & Sons, Inc.      **BID AMOUNT:** \$112,250.00

**WHEREAS**, the bid proposal of Robert H. Hoover & Sons, Inc., 149 Gold Mine Rd., Flanders, NJ 07836 in the amount of \$112,250 is the lowest responsible bidder for Bid #01-2023; and

**WHEREAS**, Robert H. Hoover & Sons, Inc. agreed to extend their bid offer until the July 6, 2023 Township of Montgomery Committee meeting.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of Montgomery Township the following:

1. Robert H. Hoover & Sons, Inc., 149 Gold Mine Rd., Flanders, NJ 07836 is determined to be the lowest responsible bidder for Bid #01-2023.
2. The Mayor or designee of Montgomery Township is hereby authorized to execute a contract with Robert H. Hoover & Sons, Inc.
3. The Chief Financial Officer has certified that funds are available to be drawn from the budget line item, 04-215-55-901-1699G, 2023 Capital Program.
4. Notice of the contract award shall be published in the Courier News.



**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of Montgomery Township, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A 40A:11-1 et seq, the contract is awarded to Robert H. Hoover & Sons, Inc.

**BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED** that a copy of the resolution be forwarded to the CFO, QPA, and Department Head & Vendor for their records.

**MOTION** to adopt Resolution #23-7-186 \_\_\_\_\_ Second \_\_\_\_\_

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

COMMITTEE MEMBER	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Ahn				
Todd				
Barragan				
Singh, Deputy Mayor				
Keenan, Mayor				

**14. RESOLUTION #23-7-187 – Approving 2023 Salaries for Non-Union Employees**

**WHEREAS**, the Township Committee of the Township of Montgomery, Somerset County, New Jersey desires to set 2023 salaries for all Township employees not covered under collective bargaining agreements.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Montgomery Township Committee that 2023 annual salaries for all non-contracted employees retroactive to January 1, 2023 are established as follows:

Mayor	Devra Keenan	\$ 5,562.00
Deputy Mayor	Neena Singh	\$ 4,169.00
Township Committee Member	Vince Barragan	\$ 4,169.00
Township Committee Member	Patricia Taylor Todd	\$ 4,169.00
Township Committee Member	Dennis Ahn	\$ 4,169.00
Township Administrator/Planning Director	Lori Savron	\$206,000.00
Police Director/Captain	Silvio Bet	\$185,781.00
Superintendent of Public Works	Arthur Villano	\$135,594.00
Construction Official/ Fire Marshall	Roy Mondì	\$134,898.00
Township Engineer	Mark Herrmann	\$133,900.00
Township Clerk	Lisa Fania	\$120,000.00
Dir. of Wastewater Operations	Christopher Lalicato	\$120,000.00
IT Director	John (Jack) Ferrara	\$115,000.00
Assistant Chief Financial Officer/ Deputy Tax Collector	Dale Melville	\$109,989.00
Parks and Recreation Director	John Groeger	\$108,150.00
Assistant Planning Director	Cheryl Chrusz	\$103,000.00
Asst. Superintendent of Public Works	Joseph Kane	\$102,648.00
Building Maintenance Foreman	Richard Dietrich	\$102,619.00
Tax Assessor	Glenn Stives	\$100,834.00
Chief Sewer Plant Operator	Keith DeFrancesco	\$ 96,918.00
Assistant Township Engineer	Justin Streleckis	\$ 94,760.00
Open Space & Stewardship Director	Lauren Wasilauski	\$ 93,730.00

Payroll Manager/Pension Coordinator	Darleen Hamilton	\$ 90,701.00
Assistant Chief Financial Officer	Claire Higgins	\$ 86,889.00
Parks Foreman	John Snyder	\$ 86,103.00
Personnel Coordinator	Letizia Troisi	\$ 84,460.00
Roads Foreman	Jeff Birkland	\$ 82,919.00
Senior Financial Analyst	Oluwaseyi Ochei	\$ 82,347.00
Senior Rec. Program Coordinator	Pauline Carr	\$ 80,114.00
Assistant Recreation Director	Christopher Zimmerman	\$ 74,160.00
IT Specialist	Pasquale Colucci	\$ 73,903.00
Laboratory Supervisor	Subarna Mozumder	\$ 65,457.00
Recreation Program Coordinator	VACANT	\$ 00,000.00
Community Information Officer (P/T)	Tamara Garaffa	\$ 38.43 p/hr.
Administrative Assistant	Tamarah Novak	\$ 38.39 p/hr.
Administrative Assistant	Deborah Axtt	\$ 35.34 p/hr.
Executive Secretary	Vacant	\$ 00.00 p/hr.

**MOTION** to adopt Resolution #23-7-187 \_\_\_\_\_ Second \_\_\_\_\_

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

COMMITTEE MEMBER	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Ahn				
Todd				
Barragan				
Singh, Deputy Mayor				
Keenan, Mayor				

15. **RESOLUTION #23-7-188 – Approval to Submit a Grant Application and Execute a Grant Contract with the New Jersey Department of Transportation for Township Line Road Improvements Project**

**WHEREAS** the Township of Montgomery wishes to apply for Municipal Aid funding from the New Jersey Department of Transportation for improvements related to pavement rehabilitation, signage, striping, and miscellaneous construction on portions of Township Line Road.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Township Committee, Township of Montgomery formally approves the grant application for the above stated project.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to submit an electronic grant application identified as [MA-2024-Township Line Road Improvements-00503](#) to the New Jersey Department of Transportation on behalf of the Township of Montgomery.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to sign the grant agreement on behalf of the Township of Montgomery and that their signatures constitute acceptance of the terms and conditions of the grant agreement and approves the execution of the grant agreement.

**MOTION** to adopt Resolution #23-7-188 \_\_\_\_\_ Second \_\_\_\_\_

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

COMMITTEE MEMBER	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Ahn				
Todd				
Barragan				
Singh, Deputy Mayor				
Keenan, Mayor				

**16. RESOLUTION #23-7-189 – Authorizing a Sewer Participation Agreement in the Cherry Valley Sewage Treatment Plant with Ant Jenndi, LLC, for 1147 and 1149 Route 601 (Block 26001, Lots 25 and 26)**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee, Township of Montgomery, that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to execute a Sewer Participation Agreement with Ant Jenndi, LLC, related to sewer capacity in the Cherry Valley Sewage Treatment Plant for Block 26001, Lots 25 and 26, subject to review and approval of the Township Engineer and Township Attorney as to form and content.

**MOTION** to adopt Resolution #23-7-189 \_\_\_\_\_ Second \_\_\_\_\_

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

COMMITTEE MEMBER	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Ahn				
Todd				
Barragan				
Singh, Deputy Mayor				
Keenan, Mayor				

**17. RESOLUTION #23-7-190 – Authorizing a Sewer Participation Agreement in the Cherry Valley Sewage Treatment Plant with Jennifer Hartshorne, Executrix of the Estate of Valerie Hartshorne for 404 Route 518 (Block 26001, Lot 28)**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee, Township of Montgomery, that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to execute a Sewer Participation Agreement with Jennifer Hartshorne, Executrix of the Estate of Valerie Hartshorne, related to sewer capacity in the Cherry Valley Sewage Treatment Plant for Block 26001, Lot 28, subject to review and approval of the Township Engineer and Township Attorney as to form and content.

**MOTION** to adopt Resolution #23-7-190 \_\_\_\_\_ Second \_\_\_\_\_

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

COMMITTEE MEMBER	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Ahn				
Todd				
Barragan				
Singh, Deputy Mayor				
Keenan, Mayor				

**18. RESOLUTION #23-7-191 – Authorizing Award of Contract to Timmerman Equipment Company for the Purchase of One ELGIN RegenX Street Sweeper**

**WHEREAS**, exemptions from competitive bidding are allowed for items/services purchased through a New Jersey State CO-OP per N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11; and

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5) authorizes two or more contracting units to enter into a cooperative pricing agreement for the purchase of work, materials and supplies; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Montgomery has determined the following cooperative pricing system identifier Sourcewell Contract #093021-ELG for the purchase of one ELGIN RegenX Street Sweeper provided the Township with the most competitive price for this item; and

**WHEREAS**, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that there are sufficient funds available for this purchase in Account Numbers 04-215-55-901-1699, 04-215-55-901-1686, 04-215-55-901-1660, 04-215-55-901-1576, 04-215-55-901-1542, 08-215-55-901.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Montgomery that the purchase of one ELGIN RegenX Street Sweeper at a price not to exceed an amount of \$348,496.17 shall be authorized through the utilization of the Sourcewell Contract to:

Timmerman Equipment Company  
PO Box 71  
Whitehouse Station, NJ 08888

**MOTION** to adopt Resolution #23-7-191 \_\_\_\_\_ Second \_\_\_\_\_

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

COMMITTEE MEMBER	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Ahn				
Todd				
Barragan				
Singh, Deputy Mayor				
Keenan, Mayor				

19. **RESOLUTION #23-7-192 – Authorizing Relief for Road Opening Permit Restriction for Rolling Hill Road – New Jersey American Water**

**WHEREAS**, New Jersey American Water (“NJAW”) requested relief from the road opening moratorium for Rolling Hill Road to replace a failing water main; and

**WHEREAS**, Rolling Hill Road was reconstructed in November 2019 and is on restriction from road opening permits until November of 2024; and

**WHEREAS**, there have been several water main breaks since the completion of the road reconstruction project that have required emergency repairs, caused road damage, water service interruptions, and continued water main breaks could further deteriorate the road; and

**WHEREAS**, replacement of the water main will increase water volume for firefighting capacity, as well as restore reliable water service and water quality for residents; and

**WHEREAS**, Township Engineer, Mark Herrmann, has reviewed NJAW’s request and recommends relief from the moratorium subject to reasonable conditions he will determine, including but not limited to, full width resurfacing of the affected portions of Rolling Hill Road at NJAW’s expense.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Montgomery, that the request for relief from the road opening moratorium for Rolling Hill Road by NJAW is hereby approved.

**MOTION** to adopt Resolution #23-7-192 \_\_\_\_\_ Second \_\_\_\_\_

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

COMMITTEE MEMBER	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Ahn				
Todd				
Barragan				
Singh, Deputy Mayor				
Keenan, Mayor				

20. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**MOTION** to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of June 15, 2023 \_\_\_\_ Second \_\_\_\_ Favor \_\_\_\_ Opposed \_\_\_\_  
Abstain \_\_\_\_

**MOTION** to approve the Executive Session Meeting Minutes of June 15, 2023 as to form only \_\_\_\_ Second \_\_\_\_  
Favor \_\_\_\_ Opposed \_\_\_\_ Abstain \_\_\_\_

21. **PAYMENT OF BILLS – Posted**

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

**WHEREAS**, the Chief Financial 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.

**MOTION** to approve the Bill List \_\_\_\_\_ Second \_\_\_\_\_

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

COMMITTEE MEMBER	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Ahn				
Todd				
Barragan				
Singh, Deputy Mayor				
Keenan, Mayor				

22. **CORRESPONDENCE**

- Email from Rikki Massand acknowledging the retirement of Manuela Miracle from the Somerset County Library System

23. **NEW BUSINESS**

There is no new business.

24. **TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE REPORTS**

25. **ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT**

26. **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

July 20

- Communications Tower

27. **RESOLUTION #23-7-193 - Executive Session**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Montgomery, 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:
  - Potential acquisition of property for open space, conservation, recreation and/or municipal purposes: Block 15002, Lot 1 (“Tucker”); Block 11001, Lot 35 (“Hunt”)
3. It is unknown precisely when the matter discussed in this session will be disclosed to the public. Acquisition of property and settlement of litigation shall only be approved by the Township Committee in a public session.
4. The Township Committee will return to Regular Session and may take further action.
5. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

**MOTION** to adopt Resolution #23-7-193 \_\_\_\_\_ Second \_\_\_\_\_ Favor \_\_\_\_\_ Opposed \_\_\_\_\_

**MOTION** to close Executive Session and open Regular Session \_\_\_\_\_ Second \_\_\_\_\_ Favor \_\_\_\_\_ Opposed \_\_\_\_\_

28. **ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION** to adjourn \_\_\_\_\_ Second \_\_\_\_\_ Favor \_\_\_\_\_ Opposed \_\_\_\_\_