Minutes of the Meeting of Montgomery Town Council held on Thursday 22nd June 2017 at 7.15 pm in Montgomery Town Hall, Broad Street, Montgomery.

Present: Cllr L Weaver (Town Mayor) Cllr H Andrew (Deputy Town Mayor) Councillors: M Mills, D Jones, J Kibble, C Weston

MINUTE24 – APOLOGIES

Cerys Thomas - Work commitment

MINUTE 25 – DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr L Weaver – Planning P2017/0512 - Neighbour Cllr C Weston – Planning P2017/0512 - Work

MINUTE 26 – MAYORS ANNOUNCEMENTS

Cllr Weaver thanked Councillors for their help at Mayor Making and also at the coffee morning where £243 was raised towards the Treaty of Montgomery celebrations in September. Civic Service will be 24th September 2017 at 2.00 pm

MINUTE 27 – MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

1 amendment – Montgomery Medical Practice Patients Association. Resolved to approve the minutes of the last meeting on 18th May 2017 which were signed by the Chairman.

MINUTE 28 – MATTERS ARISING

Thanks to Alan & Laine at Montgomery Post Office, wishing them both a happy retirement. Cllr Andrew and his partner had undertaken training on how to use the Defibrillator.

MINUTE 29 – PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Tree/2017/0022 – PlasTrefaldwyn, Kerry Road It appears that this has already been dealt with P2017/0512 - 2 storey side extension and new access 1 Hendomen Cottages P2017/0511 - Single storey extension 5 Tan y Mur P2017/0523 – Extension Westmead School Lane Support all of the above

MINUTE 30 – REPORT FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR

No report

MINUTE 31 – HIGHWAYS

- Pathway off Chirbury Road Cllr Kibble will check on Rights of Way
- An e mail had been received regarding speeding in Station Road as well as Chirbury Road. Recently a flashing sign had been erected in Chirbury Road and Ms. Barnes had asked if a

similar sign could be placed on Station Road. Council are not aware of where this sign came from. Checks will be made.

MINUTE 32 – TOWN HALL

- No report as this committee had not held a meeting
- Cllr Mills advised that Fire Risk Assessment needed updating
- Panes of glass on the upper floor are cracked and need replacing.
- Bricks on either side of the front door have crumbled and need attention some areas need re-pointing.

MINUTE 33 – TOURISM

- Meeting of Tourism Committee will take place on 28th June.
- A decision needs to be made where the 'Plaque' donated from Hungary will be situated. Cllr Kibble will speak to Deborah Lewis Powys CC.
- There are changes to Listed Building requirements as from 1st September 2017
- Tickets are now available for Shakespeare Play

MINUTE 34 – DESTINATION MONTGOMERY

- 1. The group are now using Facebook for advertising.
- 2. New website should be ready soon
- 3. Destination Officer is applying for funding based on Walking for Health.
- 4. Cllr Mills is in contact with re-enactors with regard to the Treaty.
- 5. The Dragon Hotel and Taste Montgomery are planning an evening in connection with the Treaty.
- 6. The group are looking into Brown signs.

MINUTE 35 –ALLOTMENTS

An allotment holder on Church Bank has been spraying weed killer, letter will be sent advising terms of contract.

MINUTE 36 – BROADBAND/INTERNET

Costs had been obtained with regard to monthly costs of providing this service. Councillors agreed that it was necessary now to provide this service not only for hirers of the hall but to also facilitate the fire alarm.

Town Clerk will contact BT and place an order.

Mr. Cusack will be contacted to carry out works in the building to provide this service.

MINUTE 37 – ONLINE BOOKING AND TICKET SALES

Town Clerk had met with Mr. Cusack who had explained the ticketing system available for use by council. This will also be available for paying deposits and final invoices when hiring the Town Hall. As yet there has been no communication received from One Voice Wales regarding the use of Paypal.

It was agreed to review this again when payment options were clear.

MINUTE 38 – SOCIAL MEDIA POLICY

- 1. This policy has been agreed, Cllr Weston requested clarity on who would be responsible for Town Council posts on Social Media.
- 2. It was agreed that Cllr Weston, Cllr Mills and Cllr Weaver would review posts. Posts to Social Media from Town Council would have the 'logo' of Town Council.
- 3. Cllr Weaver will speak to the Football Club re next year's contract for cutting playing fields (junior pitch).

MINUTE 39 – DATA PROTECTION POLICY

Policy was made available to all Councillors for review. RESOLVED to adopt the policy as presented.

Councillors were reminded to use Council e mail addresses for any issues connected to Montgomery Town Council.

MINUTE 40 – CO-OPTION

Two applications were received. Mrs. Wendy Beaven and Mrs. Denice Jaunzens

RESOLVED to co-opt Mrs. Beaven and Mrs. Jaunzens, to the council.

MINUTE 41 – PLAYGROUNDS

Annual inspection has been requested, no results have been received as yet. Town Clerk will contact Powys CC regarding this.

It was agreed that playground inspections should be carried out the last week in every month by two Councillors. Cllr Kibble will inspect Gaol Road and Cllr Weaver will inspect Tan y Mur. Town Clerk will draw up a tick list.

MINUTE 42 – MONTGOMERY MEDICAL PRACTICE PATIENT ASSOCIATION

Cllr Kibble will act as council representative on this committee. Cllr Kibble advised that surgery was trying to reduce waiting times. Very poor record of non- attendance for appointments. It was agreed to contact Karen Rodenberg (Dementia Awareness) to review buildings in Montgomery with regard to this.

MINUTE 43 – ASSET REGISTER

Town Clerk advised that she would be re-stating Asset figures to External Auditor in order to put the register in order. This will be reviewed again following the audit if remarks are made by the auditor.

MINUTE 44 – FINANCE

002018 Zurich Insurance – Annual Policy	1145.99
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002019	Unity Trust – Initial Deposit	500.00
002020/21	Salaries	1269.32
002022	Powys CC – Refuse	635.70
002023	R H Bunner -Various	21.63
002024	Dragon Hotel – Tablecloths	18.00
002025	Planning Aid Wales – Network Event	17.50
002026	E-on – Toilets	21.72
002027	JDH Business – Internal Audit	472.80
002028	One Voice Wales – Training	40.00
002029	G Smith - Expenses	111.43
002030	Powys CC – Council Tax	636.00
002031	HMRC – Tax	34.80
002032	G Smith – Expenses	111.43
Sub Total		5036.32
	Lloyds Bank	0.00
000007	Salary	915.28
000008	L Long Expenses	140.30
000009	Cancelled	0.00
000010	HMRC	221.06
000011	Craven Design – Business Cards L Long	57.24
		6370.20

RESOLVED to accept the above invoices for payment.

Councillors had been provided with a copy of the accounts from JDH Business Services which were approved and signed by the Chairman.

MINUTE 45 – CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence was noted

MINUTE 46 – ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

Emergency Planning Speeding Welcome Sign.

RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC AND PRESS: Under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 (2) to resolve that members of the public and press be requested to leave the meeting by reason of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted.