

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Montgomery Town Council held on Thursday 24th May 2018 at 7.15 pm in Montgomery Town Hall, Broad Street, Montgomery.

Present: Cllr L Weaver (Town Mayor)

Councillors: M Mills, J Kibble, C Weston, D Jaunzens

Celebrating the past – Building for the future

Report attached

MINUTE 1 – ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN/TOWN MAYOR

Nomination for Mayor 2018/2019 Cllr Lionel Weaver.

RESOLVED that Councillor Lionel Weaver be appointed as Mayor for 2018/2019

MINUTE 2 – ELECTION OF DEPUTY CHAIRMAN/DEPUTY MAYOR

Nominations had been received for Cllr Andrew to be Deputy Mayor for 2018/2019 as Cllr Andrew was on holiday this could not be resolved.

MINUTE 3 – APOLOGIES

Cllr. Cerys Thomas – Work Commitments.

Cllr Andrew – Holiday

Cllr W Beaven - Prior Commitment

Cllr D Jones – No Apologies

MINUTE 4 – DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Weston – Planning P2018/0414.

MINUTE 5 – MAYORS ANNOUNCEMENTS

Cllr Weaver thanked Councillors for their support.

MINUTE 6 – APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES

- Town Hall Committee – Cllr's L Weaver, M Mills, C Thomas, H Andrew
- Tourism Committee – Cllr's L Weaver, H Andrew, J Kibble, C Weston
- Staffing Committee – Cllr's L Weaver, M Mills, C Thomas
- Appeals Committee – Cllr's H Andrew, C Weston, D Jaunzens

MINUTE 7 – REPRESENTATIVES TO OTHER BODIES

- Welfare Committee – Cllr's L Weaver, D Jones, H Andrew,
- Medical Practice Committee - Cllr J Kibble
- Montgomery Institute Committee – Cllr D Jaunzens
- School Governor – Cllr D Jaunzens (from September 2018)
- MCBPT – Cllr D Jones
- Cluster Group – Cllr's L Weaver, J Kibble.
- Destination Montgomery – Cllr M Mills as Council Representative.
- Church project – Cllr C Thomas

MINUTE 8 – MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

Resolved to approve the minutes of the last meeting on 26th April 2018 which were signed by the Chairman.

MINUTE 9 – MATTERS ARISING

Cllr Kibble will forward the comments for the review for Town Clerk to send to IRP.

MINUTE 10 – MAYOR MAKING

- **Appointments**
- Sergeants at Mace – Propose Cllr D Jaunzens – Seconded Cllr H Andrew
- Town Crier – Propose Cllr M Mills – Seconded Cllr J Kibble
- Vote of Thanks to Town Clerk, Staff and Press – Cllr L Weaver
Seconded Cllr C Weston

MINUTE 11 – PLANNING APPLICATIONS

P2018/0414 -Two story rear extension at Tegfan
Councillors support this application

MINUTE 12 – REPORT FROM COUNTY COUNCIILLOR

- Cllr Hayes informed councilors that the consultation with the Boundary Commission would be finishing shortly, Montgomery and Forden could become one ward.
- An application is expected shortly for a further chicken shed with access to the site travelling through Montgomery.
- Toni Bennett Rector of St Nichola Church, will be retiring at the end of June 2018 she has been a Rector here for 10 years. Letter of thanks.
- Street Pastors will help to keep young people safe at the Royal Welsh how this year. Montgomery will be asked to help fund this initiative. Any monies collected will be held in for the short term in Montgomery Town Council account.

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MINUTE 13 – HIGHWAYS

- Following the recent roadworks which were not well advertised in the community, Powys CC will be asked to have better communications in future. Contractors were very helpful and co-operative to residents.
- Notices need to be received in good time in future particularly for businesses and at least one half of the road left open. It is very hit and miss who receives notices or if they are received at all.
- Following the road works rubble has been left opposite the Football Club changing rooms.
- Make a further request to Powys CC to re-state lines at the rear of the Town Hall.

Cllr Mills joined the meeting

MINUTE 14 – TOWN HALL

- Quantity Surveyor is due to finish his report by the end of May.
- A Surveyor has looked at the pavement surrounding the Town Hall.
- It may be possible to build a ramp but this may mean moving the Fire Doors about 1/2 metres.

MINUTE 15 – TOURISM

- Leaflets have been well received.
- Open Gardens will take place on 9th June tea and cakes will be available at two gardens, monies collected will go towards restoration of the Town Hall.
- Posters have been designed.
- Trails leaflets are available and positive comments have been received on their quality.
- Article in Country Walking magazine has generated more tourists.

MINUTE 16 – DESTINATION MONTGOMERY

- Trails launch had been a successful day.
- Committee plans to start promoting Town Hall as a wedding venue as their next project.
- E mail has been sent to PCC requesting them to go ahead with the art work for Brown Signs.

MINUTE 17 – PLAQUE FROM BARDS OF WALES PROJECT

- Cllr Thomas has contacted Alun Davies (Honorary Consul for Hungry in Wales), and he has advised he is in support of the council.
- Cllr Kibble will liaise with Powis Estates re the footpath leading to the Castle from the proposed site for the plaque.

MINUTE 18 – CARE IN THE COMMUNITY

As Cllr Beavan could not attend this meeting, this item will be discussed at the June meeting.

MINUTE 19 – PLAYGROUNDS

Town Clerk had met with a representative from Wicksteed to discuss the wet pour on both playgrounds, he felt that the work could be carried out by a contractor and the materials obtained via the internet at a more reasonable cost. Tiles on both playgrounds would be extremely hard to dispose of.

Quotes will be obtained to carry out this work.

MINUTE 20 – E MAILS

Town Clerk reminded Councillors that any matters and instructions should be discussed openly at meetings, this would be then followed by a decision and recorded in the minutes.

Of late there has been a number of e mails discussing various subjects and care must be taken with regard to this.

MINUTE 21 - INSURANCE 2018-2019

At the Annual Meeting in 2017 council had agreed to accept a five-year quotation from Zurich Insurance, it was agreed to ask if Plaque would be included in contents. Check Public Liability required for markets.

MINUTE 22 -

MINUTE 23 – FINANCE

D/D	British Telecom	102.24
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D/D	Nest Pensions	29.06
D/D	Powys County Council-Council Tax	655.00
BACS	V Wallis	25.00
	D Wilson	117.04
	M A Nicholson	14.40
	Water Plus – Town Hall	113.29
	HMRC	31.80
	Gaskells Waste	90.00
	Eric Neville – Cleaning Supplies	113.07
	E- On Electricity – Toilets	41.81
	G Smith – Expenses	106.65
	R Bunner & Son	11.35
	Greenfingers – Grass Cutting	136.80
	Hafren Services – Power Wash Toilets	144.00
	Water Plus – Toilets	99.33
300015 Cheque	J Kibble	63.54
BACS	Destination Montgomery	
	L Long – Expenses	261.56
	HMRC	227.18
	G17 – additional e mail storage	60.00
	Imprint	2042.00
	Emblem Printing	372.92

RESOLVED to accept the above invoices for payment.

- **Resolve to adopt allowances and expenses Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales.**
Notifications had been received from individual Councillors advising they did not wish to accept the allowance.
- Resolved to approve payment of Mayor Allowance 2018/2019

MINUTE 24 – CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

- **Standing Orders** – RESOLVED to adopt Standing Orders in their present form 2018/2019

- **Financial Regulations** – RESOLVED to adopt Financial Regulations as renewed (2016) for 2018/2019
- **Risk Assessment** – to be discussed at June meeting
- **Code of Conduct** – RESOLVED to adopt Code of Conduct 2018/2019

MINUTE 25 – CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence was noted

MINUTE 26 – ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

None

RESOLVED

'In accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960(2) the Town Council resolves 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.'

