REGULAR MEETING BOROUGH COUNCIL MALVERN BOROUGH December 1, 2020 7:30 P.M.

Borough Council Meeting Dial-In Information: 1-877-853-5247 (toll-free)

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- Participants will be asked to identify themselves when being accepted into the meeting.
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- For each agenda item, the public will be unmuted and given an opportunity to comment and ask questions.
- Public Comment received via email will be read by the Borough Manager either during the topic on the agenda or the general "Public Forum" period.
- Participants wishing to comment must state their name and must speak one at a time.

PRESIDING: Amy Finkbiner, Ph.D., President

INVOCATION: David B. Burton, Mayor

1. ROLL CALL: Council President Finkbiner

Council Vice-President Grossman

Council Member Bones Council Member Laney Council Member Meisel Council Member Phillips Council Member Raynor

Mayor Burton

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

<u>MOTION</u>: To approve the agenda for the December 1, 2020 meeting of Borough Council as presented.

3. <u>ANNOUNCEMENTS</u>

a. RECORDING OF MEETING

Anyone present who is recording the meeting shall announce so at this time, in accordance with Resolution No. 787.

- b. Borough Council met in Executive Session on December 1, 2020 prior to this evening's meeting in order to discuss matters pertaining to personnel.
- c. Due to the Christmas and New Year's Day holidays, trash and recycling collection will occur on Saturday, December 26, 2020 and Saturday, January 2, 2020 instead of the normal Friday collection days.

4. MINUTES & REPORTS

a. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: To approve the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday, November 17, 2020 as presented.

5. <u>SPECIAL BUSINESS</u>

a. PUBLIC HEARING – 2021 PRELIMINARY BUDGET

Council President Finkbiner announces that Borough Council will open a Public Hearing on Malvern Borough's 2021 Preliminary Budget.

The proposed 2021 Budget was advertised for public review in the November 20, 2020 edition of the Daily Local News and made available on the Borough website.

Borough Manager Bashore will provide an overview of the proposed 2021 budget for the Borough of Malvern.

b. 2021 PRELIMINARY BUDGET

MOTION: To adopt the 2021 preliminary budget for the Borough of Malvern as presented.

The Borough's Home Rule Charter requires adoption of the preliminary budget prior to adoption of the final budget. The final 2021 budget will be considered at the December 15, 2020 meeting of Borough Council.

c. PROPOSED ORDINANCES – AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE

- i. Ordinance No. 2020 6: Proposed 2021 Tax Levy Ordinance
- ii. Ordinance No. 2020 7: Amendment to Chapter 168 (Sewers)

The proposed tax levy ordinance is required pursuant to the Borough's Home Rule Charter. As outlined in the 2021 budget, the proposed ordinance does not include a tax increase. The proposed amendment to chapter 168 (sewers) would increase the variable sewer rate to \$6.00 per 1,000 gallons of usage over 5,000 as allocated in 2021 budget. A public hearing on both would be scheduled for the December 15, 2020 meeting of Borough Council.

d. EXPANDED OUTDOOR DINING FORBEARANCE AGREEMENTS

• The Flying Pig Saloon – 60-day extension of time

The Flying Pig Saloon is requesting a 60-day extension of their existing agreement for outdoor dining during the COVID-19 pandemic. All existing conditions are proposed to remain in place.

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

7. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Randolph Woods Nature Preserve 2021 Plans
 - i. Ruthland Avenue Street Trees
 - ii. Pump Track
 - iii. Deer Management

Phase A of the Randolph Woods Master Plan outlines the installation of a pump track and deer management. Additionally, the Shade Tree Commission is recommending the planting of street trees along Ruthland Avenue, which is an element of Phase B. Borough Council will discuss options for implementation and funding.

b. Employee Gift Cards

Traditionally, Borough Council has purchased gift cards for the Borough's employees in recognition for their work over the past year. The previous amounts authorized were \$100 for full-time employees and \$50 for part-time employees.

c. Zoning Hearing Board

There are no new applications before the Zoning Hearing Board.

8. PUBLIC FORUM

Citizens/taxpayers are invited to bring before Borough Council any item not on the agenda.

9. ADJOURNMENT