

**MONTGOMERY TOWNSHIP BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT PARTNERSHIP**  
**MEETING MINUTES**  
**July 20, 2021**

The monthly meeting of the Montgomery Township Business Development Partnership (BDP) was held at 8:30 A.M. at the Township Administration Building. The members of the BDP in attendance included Lisa Martin (Chair), JP Northrop (Vice Chair), Allen Nappen, and Mary Griffith-Alfarano. Also present was Carolyn McCreary, Township Manager, and Derek Muller, Public Information Coordinator. The “public” consisted of Jason Harris (Stone & Key Cellar).

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 8:32 a.m.

**Minutes:** The minutes were unanimously approved by the present members.

**Public Comment**

Mr. Jason Harris of Stone & Key Cellar communicated his disappointment that the outdoor dining allowance was rescinded without any consultation with business owners. Ms. McCreary explained that due to the ending of the emergency declaration by the Commonwealth of PA, the Township has been advised by the solicitor that this allowance could not be extended. Mr. Harris was advised to present his case to the Zoning Board.

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:**

- Ms. Martin relayed that the Montgomery Mall was now under new management. Few details are available at this time.
- Jacqui Baxter-Rolling, Executive Director of the Partnership TMA of Montgomery County, gave a presentation about transportation challenges and how it affects employees and employers. The presentation can be viewed on the Montgomery Township YouTube Channel at <https://youtu.be/uuo9T9GE4kc>
- Mr. Northrop shared that SEPTA will be presenting to the BDP on September 21, 2021.

**Adjournment:**

The BDP thanked Jacqui Baxter-Rolling for the presentation. There being no further business to come before the BDP, the meeting adjourned. The next meeting will be on Tuesday September 20, 2021 @ 8:30am at the Township Administration Building.