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PUTTING MONTGOMERY ON THE MAP FOR STATE AND FEDERAL RESOURCES

When we look back on the year, we remember the events that brought thousands of our neighbors together, and the cooperation and teamwork that made it possible. From community events to enhancing services and improving pedestrian safety, we have been busy advocating for our community.

"This year, we've seen a terrific partnership between officials at every level of government," said Mayor Devra Keenan. "We're connecting our residents to each other, to the services available and tapping into our legislators to pull money back into the township, putting Montgomery on the map from a state perspective."

That cooperation was evident during the Consultant Services Plan, which afforded residents the opportunity to meet with government staff at the county, state and federal levels. Notably, Rep. Bonnie Watson Coleman held her first town hall in our municipality since it was added to the 13th district, which connected her with our residents to hear our perspectives.

We worked in tandem with county officials to complete the Otto Kaufman Community Center public water connection. Using American Rescue Plan funds, this project eliminates the need for wasteful plastic water bottles, instead adding new drinking fountains and bottle fillers. The public utility also opens up the potential for additional activities such as community gardening and cooking classes in the future.

Of course, we cannot talk about improving our community without acknowledging the selfless work of our volunteer fire and EMS departments. We honored them at our Community Heroes Picnic in June, which included ice cream and recognition for their efforts. Volunteers are the heartbeat of this community, and our fire companies and EMS rely on their selfless service from residents to empower their mission.

We continued supporting our first responders by securing additional federal funding for the departments, including \$1.48 million for radios and communication equipment. Around

the municipal center, we obtained \$3 million to expand sidewalks and connections to neighboring areas. Each month we get closer to completion of the full project in collaboration with the state and county.

As we look towards the future, we continue exploring even more grant opportunities to improve our community and quality of life for all. From each of our families to yours, we wish you a joyous holiday and a safe and happy New Year. We look forward to seeing you at a community event in 2024.

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