



# Pensées for a lunch-time stroll along the Monocacy

[The Bethlehem Gadfly](#) [George Floyd killing](#) July 13, 2020

 *Latest in a series of posts responding to the George Floyd killing*   
*fragments of recent posts that swarm Gadfly's head like bees around a hive*

*what are you thinking about?*

One wonders, precisely at this moment, what Council's response to the current moment would look like if Negron had been [elected president of Council].

We don't need another task force. We need to listen to what's going on already. We're not listening.

I thought we matter'd . . . We don't matter, Bro.

Do we want recruits who are all about SWAT teams? Walking in phalanxes through crowds?

The structure proposed in the resolution is basically useless until a genuinely inclusive process is created.

Have you consulted black people in the creation of this coalition?

We have an opportunity to do something truly momentous.

Council looks like it's standing on dock waving to a boat leaving and hoping it will visit the destinations it has mentioned.

Engage a single, paid person to lead this initiative. . . . And this person NEEDS to speak Spanish.

The optics look like same-old-same-old.

It seems that the entire message of these protests is lost on you.

Wouldn't you rather hear from the individuals who know what it's like to have obscenities screamed at you in a language you don't understand by a police officer (an incident I witnessed)?

It is only a matter of time before we have our own George Floyd, or Joey Santos.

Cop-sponsored pizza parties aren't going to appease us. That's basically what this is.

We know what's going on.