

MERCER BOROUGH REGULAR MEETING

May 5th 2015

Attendance: John Zohoranacky, Jerry Johnson, Frank Curl, Curtis Townsend, Mayor Vernon, Gary Hancock, Jac Carter, Joe Kurtanich, Debbie Scruci

John Zohoranacky led the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance then asked for a moment of silence for Gail Habbyshaw the devoted borough citizen and reported for the Record Argus who recently passed away.

There were no Visitor Comments.

NEW BUSINESS

Gary Hancock moved to accept Debbie Mack's resignation effective May 13th or a date mutually agreed upon if she stays to train the new employee. Frank Curl seconded the motion and vote carried unanimously. Frank Curl moved to hire Chelsie Ditz to replace Debbie Mack at \$ 9.50 per hour starting May 11th with Gary Hancock seconding. Council discussed the pay rates for the office positions and agreed to review and make recommendations for the next meeting.

The Administrator informed council that there was an opportunity for the Borough to refund its 2010 Bonds due to current market conditions providing lower interest rates in comparison to the 2010 Bonds. Council agreed to invite PNC bank and bond council Chris Brewer to their next meeting.

Council referred Justin Angermeir's request to have a sewer plant supervisor sign a DEP document asking for times worked in this capacity over to the Engineer and Forman.

The Administrator advised council that she responded to the correspondence received from Attorney Moder in regards to a sewer lateral that extended through his clients property.

REPORTS

Joe Kurtanich reported on the catch basin covers, Agility Program and the Floodplain Ordinance.

Frank Curl informed council that he met with Penn Power to discuss alternatives for Street Light replacement on N. and S. Diamond St.

Jerry Johnson commented on the overtime costs for first quarter 2015 and advised council agreed that it would be prudent to discuss ways to decrease the costs. The Administrator informed council that the Borough received a very large check for unclaimed non-resident wage taxes for 2010-2011 from the former tax collector Sue Carter Barner. She added that the

accountant recommended obtaining the records so that if any other municipality asked for funds, we could research.

The meeting was adjourned to discuss a personnel issue. The meeting was called back to order and properly adjourned.

Submitted by,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Debbie Scruci".

Debbie Scruci
Administrator