

MERCER BOROUGH REGULAR MEETING

January 3rd, 2017

Attendance: Jac Carter, Jerry Johnson, Frank Curl, Cliff Hughes, Caroline DaCosta, Aaron Sines, Joe Kurtanich, Debbie Sarvis, Linda Harton

Jac Carter led the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The administrator gave a recap and history of the Landlord /Tennant final bill procedure. The Martin Rental property issue was tabled to the next meeting. Aaron Sines moved to approve the Relay For Life request to close N and S Diamond Street June 17th from 8:00 A.M. to 10 P.M. Joe Kurtanich agreed to include in the bid package for the Streetscape project instructions to keep a portion of the road safely open for the participants to use. Frank Curl seconded the motion and vote carried unanimously.

Jerry Johnson moved to table Tax Collector Sue Carter Barners' request to increase fees for duplicates, certifications, and NSF check processing to the next meeting. Aaron Sines seconded the motion and vote carried unanimously.

Council viewed the Sheetz rebuild plan with the Engineer. Joe Kurtanich explained that the council needs to approve the plans adding that he the Administrator and the Solicitor already met to review a list of potential changes or concerns. Mr. Kurtanich explained that they would be meeting with the Sheetz representatives on Friday to review the items and Sheetz representatives would be attending the next council meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Jac Carter announced that McGill, Power and Bell invited Mercer Borough to their open house on January 4th at 4:00 P.M.

Jac Carter informed council that William Finley purchased a new wood burner on E. Butler Street to replace an old model that he installed a few weeks before. He added that the new wood burner will be EPA certified. The Administrator asked council members to review the information packet that she prepared that had current EPA and DEP regulations and minutes from a council meeting explaining councils regulations for the units. Council tabled the decision to the next meeting.

REPORTS

Council reviewed the Police Report. Aaron Sines reported on the new part-time hires testing schedules that needs completed before they can perform the police officer duties. He announced that Officer Shrawder was serving as Acting Chief. Jerry Johnson and Caroline Dacosta asked "who said so". Council agreed to discuss the details in an executive session.

Joe Kurtanich reported that Jim McGhee reported a leak in the water line of the chlorination system and Jim McGhee and the crew was investigating it. Jerry Johnson said someone who knows what they

are doing should be doing the repairs because of the dangerous gas. Joe Kurtanich explained that it was on a outside water line not the chlorine gas equipment. Jerry Johnson stated he was well aware and wanted a person who knows what they are doing to repair it and asked that it is recorded in the minutes.

Under Streets the Administrator informed council that if there are any streets that council would want tar & chip treatment to under the Penndot cooperative bid process that they think about those streets now to participate in the program. Cliff Hughes submitted a list of street and other items that needed to be attended to. Caroline DaCosta told Jac Carter that he needed to prioritize the list.

The meeting was adjourned to an executive session. The meeting was called back to order. Aaron moved to promote Brad Shrawder to acting chief with Cliff Hughes seconding. After a roll call vote, the motion was approved unanimously. Aaron added that the Administrative Salary would be \$ 3000.00 a year along with his normal earnings. Jerry Johnson stated that there is a caveat that the personnel committee will be looking at the job descriptions. The meeting was properly adjourned.

Submitted by,

Debbie Sarvis
Administrator

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