

MERCER BOROUGH REGULAR MEETING

July 11th 2017

Attendance: Beth Hillmar, Jerry Johnson, Cliff Hughes, Mayor Ross Vernon, Caroline DaCosta, Aaron Sines, Jac Carter, Attorney Bogaty, Joe Kurtanich, Debbie Sarvis, Brad Shrawder

Beth Hillmar led the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. Jac Carter moved to approve the June 13th minutes with Aaron Sines seconding. Vote carried unanimously. Jerry Johnson moved to approve the Treasurers Report with Aaron Sines seconding. Vote carried unanimously. Jac Carter moved to approve the Payment of Bills with adding J.T. Sauer for \$ 5,965.00. Aaron Sines seconded the motion and vote carried unanimously.

VISITORS

Dennis DiRiamondo representing Awesome Events requested council's approve for a 5K fundraiser for the park on July 15th. Jac Carter moved to approve the 5K race on July 15 with Aaron Sines seconding. Vote carried unanimously.

Walter Mays informed council that his storm water problem had gotten worse since attempts were made by Bethany Church to redirect their overflow. Beth Hillmar advised Mr. Mays that the crew would take the sod off of the ditch to try to solve the problem. Mr. Mays stated that the street should be made one way also.

The meeting was adjourned to an executive session to discuss personnel issues. The meeting was called back to order

Chief Brad Shrawder explained about a free program that teaches the use of Narcam. He also stated that he received quotes for a video security system for the police station as requested. Jac Carter moved to approve purchasing the equipment from Shenango Cash Register for \$ 3,085.00. Jerry Johnson seconded the motion and vote carried unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Cliff Hughes advised council they he visited the area of the S. Otter Street storm water problem and that he came up with a solution. Caroline DaCosta moved to install a curb along the alley of the Doug Shawgo property. Aaron seconded the motion and vote carried unanimously.

Jac Carter moved to hire Harlowe Mattocks as the Zoning and Code Maintenance Officer with Aaron Sines seconding. Vote carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Beth Hillmar announced that the Borough Officials were invited to the MCRPC summer picnic on July 15th at the Grove City Memorial Park.

Caroline DaCosta approved bidding the Garbage and Refuse Contract with the exact same requirements as the last contract with Jac Carter seconding. Vote carried unanimously.

REPORTS

Joe Kurtanich reviewed the Engineers Report with council. Jac Carter moved to approve the Sheetz Property Consolidation Plan with Aaron Sines seconding. Vote carried unanimously.

Linda Harton announced that a hearing was set for Rick Kress's Property Maintenance Ordinance violation for July 24th and encouraged council members to attend.

Jac Carter advised council that a volunteer group is interested in doing community service and he thought the flower beds would be something they could do since they did a great job at the playground. Beth Hillmar suggested calling Nelsons Flowers to buy new shrubs at a cost not to exceed \$ 300.00 for shrubs and mulch. Cliff Hughes made the motion and Caroline DaCosta seconded it. Jerry Johnson stated that he would prefer flowers and the perennials would come up every year. The motion carried unanimously.

Ross Vernon informed council that the Mercer Forge paved over the storm drain on Brown Street causing more storm water problems to the residents on E. Market Street. He added that this occurred when Mercer Forge paved their lot quite a few ago but the Forge has not taken proper measures to correct the problem. Attorney Bogaty agreed to look at the property before giving any advice.

Attorney Bogaty announced that the Sheetz Liquor License hearing is scheduled for August 8th at 7:00 P.M.

The meeting was properly adjourned.

Submitted by,

Debbie Sarvis
Administrator
Mercer Borough

