

MERCER BOROUGH REGULAR MEETING

July 12, 2016

Attendance: Beth Hillmar, Jac Carter, Jerry Johnson, Aaron Sines, Attorney Bogaty, Joe Kurtanich

Beth Hillmar called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance. Jerry Johnson moved to approve the June 14th minutes with Jac Carter seconding. Vote carried unanimously. Jerry Johnson moved to approve the Treasurer's Report with Aaron Sines seconding. Vote carried unanimously. Aaron moved to approve the Payment of Bills with Jac Carter seconding. Vote carried unanimously.

VISITORS

Andrew Brinker and Jonathan Hostetler, Mercer High School Students introduced themselves to council.

Shelly Redmond informed council that the speed bumps were not working adding that vehicles were driving through Cindy Hewitt's and Jim Osborne's yards. She reported that although traffic had lessened she would still request that her street be designated 1-way. Beth Hillmar advised Ms Redmond that this action may cause drivers to speed more an that council may be obligated change streets all over town. Jac Carter suggested asking Cindy Hewitt to write down the license plate numbers of offenders for the Chief to contact. Aaron Sines agreed to talk to the Chief Fockler about having more police coverage in that area.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Jim McGhee talked to Jay Russell Conservation District about storm water runoff and he informed him that there is program for Dirt, Gravel and low maintenance roads that could help with some of the issues. Jac Carter stated that Jim McGhee replaced a pipe under the road to try to help with the storm water issues with Caroline DaCosta but thought there was a lateral possibly needing replaced that would be Mrs. DaCosta's responsibility.

Jerry Johnson moved to advertise an amendment to the Parking Ordinance that would limit parking to 2 hours from 6:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M. the portion of N. Pitt Street from E. Venango to the bottom of the hill as 2 hours. Jac Carter seconded the motion and vote carried unanimously.

Aaron Sines moved not to amend the Burning Ordinance Jac seconding. Vote carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Beth Hillmar suggested meeting with the East End Fire Departments Chief or Finance Committee to discuss their request for an additional \$ 10,000.00 contribution.

REPORTS

- Joe Kurtanich reviewed the Engineers Report. He reviewed problems with the Comminuter and chlorine pumps. Jerry Johnson stated that Dan Goncz should be giving a report on the Sewer Plant

Expansion Plans and schedule. Attorney Bogaty asked Mr. Kurtanich if there were any issues with Matt Tomeo's activities on his property off of Wilson Avenue other than not having a permit from a storm water management point. Joe Kurtanich answered that there were no other issues. Attorney Bogaty stated that he would meet with Linda Harton to further discuss. Jac Carter moved to submit CDBG funding applications for ADA ramps and replacement of Sanitary Sewer line on Sheriff Street. Jerry Johnson seconded the motion and vote carried unanimously.

Jac Carter informed council that he was in the process of obtaining quotes to pave a section of Turkey Street and wait until next year's additional funding to do a major project. Joe Kurtanich added that Jim McGhee is concerned about the pavement on N. Pitt Street in front of the Borough Building where the cracks have been filled many times and are growing larger.

Linda Harton stated that she is doing all that she can do with property maintenance issues except for Richard Kress's property that has been in violation for many years and she didn't know if she could help.

Beth Hillmar stated that the Personnel Committee had 1 meeting to discuss the Police Unions requests.

Joe Kurtanich informed Dee Dee Zickar that the Streetscape Design would be done this fall go to Penndot to be bid Spring in 2017. Shelly Redmond asked why there is not progress with the Brandy Springs Park Pond. Joe Kurtanich explained that the DEP is required to approve Engineering plans since it is classified a damn and he added that Dan Goncz is has been handling the process.

Beth Hillmar adjourned the meeting to an executive session to discuss litigation. The meeting was called back to order and Beth Hillmar asked if there were any motions.

Aaron Sines moved to get bids on painting the front of the Borough Building. Jac Carter asked to amend the motion to not more of a cost of \$ 2,500.00. Jerry suggested to have someone come in to get a quote for soffit, fascia and windows also. Beth Hillmar asked if she can call Joe Ziccardi who is a hometown boy that has done a lot of work at her house. Jac Carter suggested getting a quote from Larry Warner also. Jac Carter seconded the motion and vote carried unanimously. Jerry Johnson asked to have Debbie Sarvis contact someone to come in and clean the restrooms. Beth Hillmar stated that Attorney Bogaty was contacting someone from the court community service.

Submitted by,

Debbie Sarvis
Administrator