

MERCER BOROUGH REGULAR MEETING

July 2, 2019

Attendance: Beth Hillmar, Jerry Johnson, Cliff Hughes, Mayor Vernon, Caroline DaCosta, Aaron Sines, Jac Carter, Joe Kurtanich, Chief Shrawder, Debbie Sarvis, Joe Kurtanich, Dan Goncz

Beth Hillmar opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and proceeded to the 2019 Paving Project Bid Opening. Bids were received from Shield Paving at \$ 109,656.93, Sharon Paving at \$ 93,545.25 and J&T Paving at \$ 110,901.00. Council tabled the decision until the July 9th meeting for the Engineer to review the bid package.

VISITORS

Richard Kress was in attendance concerning his violation of the Property Maintenance Code. Beth Hillmar stated that he had made some progress. Council tabled the decision to the next week's meeting when the Code Officer and Solicitor would be in attendance.

NEW BUSINESS

Jac Carter moved to accept Jim McGhees resignation effective 2 weeks from July 1st 2019. Motion carried with Caroline DaCosta opposing.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Joe Kurtanich stated that the Disilvestri property complaint concerning the flower boxes and plants that were removed during the S. Diamond Street Sidewalk Project were included on the last walk through punch list.

Jac Carter moved to approve the acting Sheriff's request to remove 2 parking spaces from the S. Side of E. Butler street at the 911 entrance. Cliff Hughes seconded the motion and vote carried unanimously.

REPORTS

Council reviewed the Police Report. Chief Shrawder informed council that since he was replacing a battery too often, he would like to purchase a more powerful unit.. Council agreed that this would be practical.

Joe Kurtanich stated that there was still work to be done on the LVR project and that he and the Administrator were submitting time sheet information for reimbursement.

Jac Carter stated that someone should check to see if the catch basins were ordered for replacement before the Paving project. The Administrator asked the street department if they could look at the sewer dig up at 615 E. Beaver Street. She added that the yard, sidewalk and street were excavated to hook on 557 E. Beaver Street sewer lateral that was missed during the main line sewer replacement. The Borough had neglected to repair the area as agreed.

Beth Hillmar announced that the Administrator submitted a application to the County Commissioners for their Act 13 revenue to help with the extra expenses occurring on the Brandy Springs Spraypark project. The County agreed to donate \$ 15,000.00 to the project.

Jerry Johnson stated that the Borough needed good publicity and Cliff Hughes stated that the cable channel had free advertising on the public access channel.

The meeting was called to order to discuss a personnel/sewer issue. The meeting was called back to order. Aaron Sines moved to hire M Davidson and Associates for sewer consulting services and as back up certification on a month to month basis. Cliff Hughes seconded the motion and vote carried unanimously. Beth Hillmar stated that the committee will work on the job descriptions and meet with the employees Monday morning at 7:00 A.M. to work out the details. They discussed options for his office. The meeting was properly adjourned.

Submitted by,

Debbie Sarvis
Administrator