

## **MERCER BOROUGH REGULAR MEETING**

**March 18<sup>th</sup> 2025**

Attendance, Aaron Sines, Nick Sicilian, Harlowe Mattocks, Cliff Hughes, Bob Perrine, Marc Zickar, Travis Schaa, Attorney Ted Isoldi, Debbie Sarvis, Chief Bob Davis

Nick Sicilian led the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. Cliff Hughes moved to approve the February 4<sup>th</sup> minutes with Harlowe Mattocks seconding. Vote carried unanimously. Cliff Hughes moved to approve the January and February Treasurers Report with Harlowe Mattocks seconding. Vote carried unanimously. Bob Perrine moved to approve the Payment of Bills with Cliff Hughes seconding. Vote carried unanimously.

### **VISITORS**

Tom Henlen, representing the American Legion reported on the Easter Egg Hunt scheduled for April 12<sup>th</sup> at noon at Brandy Springs Park. He also discussed parking issues that the Legion was having on W. Butler Street due to the County not allowing the patrons to park at the 911 parking lot.

President Aaron Sines arrived and took over the lead.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Bob Perrine moved not to submit a proposal to the Mercer Area School District for the School Resource Officers position. Harlowe Mattocks seconded the motion and vote carried unanimously.

Nick Sicilian moved to Approve the Friday night Mercer Community Band Concerts event road closing permit with Cliff Hughes seconding. Vote carried unanimously.

Nick Sicilian moved to approve the Brews, Bikes and Bands event road closing permit with Cliff Hughes seconding. Vote carried unanimously.

Ted Isoldi advised council that he didn't think that the Gaming and Amusement Device Ordinance would stand up in court for non-profit agencies.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Bob Perrine moved to approve the USDA Grievance Procedure Resolution # 1 with Cliff Hughes seconding, The motion carried unanimously.

Nick Sicilian moved to approve Resolution # 2 Disposition of Local Service Tax Records adding that in the future they could be disposed every 3 years. Cliff Hughes seconded the motion and vote carried unanimously.

Nick Sicilian moved to approve the Draft Right of Way Plans for the McKinley Avenue Bridge Plan with Bob Perrine seconding. Vote carried unanimously.

Chief Bob Davis reported that they would be filing unpaid parking tickets with the District Justice Office after proper notification.

Aaron Sines discussed an issue with one of Fred Jordans rentals that was experiencing sewer back up. Mr. Jordan reported to him and the office that his neighbors' lateral was tied into his sewer line causing backups to his system. Attorney Isoldi advised council that it was a private matter between he and his neighbor and that the Borough would not be involved.

## **REPORTS**

Chief Davis reviewed the February Police report with council.

Nick Sicilian reviewed a proposed Street Crew work schedule and daily log sheet that he wanted to submit to the crew. Council reviewed the information and there were no objections to the paperwork. Bob Perrine stated that he was okay with it but preferred to use a construction log book that would provide all the information needed for a daily log. Nick Sicilian stated that 2 generators were needed for the emergency stop signs. He added that he would like them to purchase a pressure washer for the buildings and other uses Council agreed that these would be good purchases.

The Administrator reported that the draft financial reports were ready and that Borough Council did well with cutting expenses to cover shortfalls in the 2024 Budget.

Bob Perrine gave an update on the McKinley Avenue Bridge project.

Cliff Hughes reported that there were 2 street lights out that the Borough owned and that he would be renting the MCCOG when weather permitted. Council also discussed other Penn Power owned street lights that were out in the Borough. The Administrator responded that she could notify Penn Power if the residents did not report themselves. Cliff Hughes also mentioned that the Borough might consider a new street sweeper with added functions.

Nick Sicilian reported on the visit from Michael McKnight USDA Specialist where he inspected the building for ADA compliance as a requirement of the Borough's Grant/Loan. The Meeting was properly adjourned.

Submitted by,

Debbie Sarvis  
Administrator

