## MERCER BOROUGH REGULAR MEETING

## MARCH 15, 2017

Attendance: Jac Carter, Jerry Johnson, Cliff Hughes, Mayor Vernon, Caroline DaCosta, Aaron Sines, Joe Kurtanich, Debbie Sarvis, Linda Harton.

Jac Carter led with the Pledge of Allegiance. Aaron moved to approve advertising for bids for the Sewer Treatment Plant Expansion Project with Cliff Hughes seconding. Vote carried unanimously. Aaron Sines moved approve Payment Request # 9 for \$ 113,619.99 for the Sewer Treatment Plant Expansion Project.

Council reviewed a letter from John Knox representing Cannabis Square LLC that asks the Zoning Officer for a letter stating that a medical marijuana dispensary would be an accepted use in the C-1 Zoning District. Jerry Johnson wants to know who John Knox is representing. Caroline DaCosta reported that it should be open to the public and asked who makes the decision. The Borough Administrator advised council that the Zoning Officer with the advice of the Solicitor would determine if the business's intended use for the C-1 district is acceptable. Jac Carter agreed that the issue should be tabled to the next meeting for recommendations from the Solicitor.

## **REPORTS**

Under police, Aaron Sines reported that Robert Yeager retired as indicated in his resignation and the new part time officer Anthony Misotto was hired.

Joe Kurtanich reported about the blocked storm sewer line behind Nelson's Greenhouse. He reported that Jim Mcghee is in the process of getting 3 quotes for the repairs that appears to be causing safety problems to E. Venango Street.

Jac Carter reported that he received a quote from Greg Marks Excavating to repair a storm sewer line and catch basin on E. Beaver Street. Aaron Sines moved to approve GM Excavatings' estimate for \$ 5, 125.00. Caroline DaCosta seconded the motion and vote carried unanimously. Jac Carter advised council that Ray Bogaty would need to prepare easements before starting the project. Aaron Sines moved to approve the estimate from J&T Paving for the E Venango Street storm sewer repair. Caroline DaCosta seconded the motion and vote carried unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned to an Executive Session to discuss a Personnel Issue. The meeting was called back to order. Aaron Sines move to approve hiring Molly Galizia as a part time police officer with Clifford Hughes seconding. Vote carried unanimously. The meeting was properly adjourned.

Submitted by,

Debbie Sarvis Administrator