Public Meeting October 22, 2007

The public meeting of Mount Pleasant Borough Council to discuss transfer of a liquor license to Mount Pleasant Borough was called to order by President Tabita at 6:34pm. in Council Chambers at 1 Etze Avenue, Mount Pleasant, PA 15666. The Pledge of Allegiance was said and there was a moment of silence for our deployed troops. President Tabita directed Borough Manager Jeff Landy to take roll. Councilmen Crivella, Slater, Tate, Wiltrout and Councilwoman Stevenson were present. Mayor Lucia and Solicitor Toohey were present. President Tabita stated we have a quorum.

President Tabita explained that this meeting is hear public opinion regarding the issue of the transfer of a liquor license owned by Overbrook Tavern, LLC, of 1400 Harrison Ave., Jeannette, PA to Leo & Sons, LLC d/b/a Grille 31, 501-503 Main Street, Mount Pleasant, PA. Council will decide to grant or deny this request.

Mr. Leo Wisniewski explained to Council that the décor of the restaurant would blend in with Veterans Park. He is planning on using any photos of troops and parades in town as well as WWII memorabilia to make the restaurant a sort of extension of the park. Mr. Wisniewski said that the restaurant would offer any military personnel who are veterans or active a discount on food.

President Tabita asked what the ratio between food and liquor would be and Mr. Wisniewski said that food sales would be at least 80% of their business. The grille would serve lunch and dinner. The dining room will seat approximately 70 people and the bar will seat approximately 10 people. Mr. Wisniewski said that there may be an issue with the Baptist Church as far as footage. The LCB offers a guideline to follow and he will speak to the Baptist Church so that there are not problems. He plans to begin remodeling by the end of this month with an opening date of late January, so he hopes to have all issues resolved. The restaurant will occupy 2 units of the four units in the building.

President Tabita said that Council would like to discuss signage and parking with Mr. Wisniewski and Mr. Wisniewski agreed. Mr. Wisniewski said that he will also be researching the issue of garbage because there is really no outside area for a dumpster. One thought would be leasing a couple of parking spaces from the Parking Authority for a dumpster and putting a decorative fence around it so that it wouldn't be an eyesore. Mr. Wisniewski said that the restaurant would not be open on Sunday in the winter months. Some adjustment to the hours may be made in the summer months when there are concerts at the Gazebo.

A motion was made by Councilman Tate to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded by Councilman Slater. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned 6:40pm.