

Meeting June 15, 2015

The meeting of Mount Pleasant Borough Council was called to order by President Bauer at 7:02pm in Council Chambers at 1 Etze Avenue, Mount Pleasant, PA 15666. The Pledge of Allegiance was said and President Bauer asked for a moment of silence for our deployed troops. President Bauer directed Borough Manager Landy to take roll. Councilmen Caruso, Pritts, Wagner, Wojnar and Councilwomen Bailey, Ruszkowski and Stevenson were present. Mayor Lucia was present and Solicitor Wolfe was absent. President Bauer said that a quorum is present.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Stevenson to approve the minutes of June 1, 2015 since Council has been provided with a copy. Motion seconded by Councilwoman Ruszkowski. Motion carried 8-0.

Public Comment:

Mr. Gerard Rendine, Mount Pleasant PA stated that he objected to Councilwoman Stevenson using her position as councilperson to give her personal opinion during a council meeting.

Mr. Kevin McFeaters, Mount Pleasant PA agreed with Mr. Rendine’s statement.

Speakers: None

Mayor’s Report:

Mayor Lucia read the following Police Report for the month of May 2015:

Report of the Mount Pleasant Police Department for the month of May 2015

The Department answered the following calls:

Complaints	82
Drug Arrests	3
DUI Arrests	3
Parking Tickets Issued	25
Traffic Citations Issued	37
Assist Other Departments	3
Accidents Investigated	3
Assist Medic 10	5

Income	
Parking Tickets	\$ 101.00
Meter Receipts	\$ 566.24
Fees for Police Reports	\$ 60.00
Clerk of Court	\$ 92.74
District Court	\$1,236.60
Refund from Drug Task Force	\$1,508.76
Total Income for May 2015	\$ 3,565.34

Mayor Lucia reminded residents that the Firemen’s Fair in Mount Pleasant will begin on June 22, 2015. The Firemen’s Parade will be held on Wednesday June 23, 2015 at 7pm. The fair is held as a fund raiser for the Mount Pleasant Volunteer Fire Department each year and Mayor Lucia asked everyone to come out and offer their support.

Mayor Lucia reported that on Sunday June 21, 2015 he activated the Emergency Warning Siren because the weather service issued a tornado warning for the area.

Solicitor’s Report: None

Treasurer’s Report:

Borough Manager Landy read the following Treasurer’s Report for the month of May 2015:

Mt. Pleasant Borough Treasurer's Report

May-15

		Previous Balance	Deposits	Disbursements	Balance 2015
General Fund Checking	PNC 00-0122-3513	230,326.00	279,107.35	450,492.35	58,941.00
General Fund Sweep	PNC 10-1149-3394	751,164.91	340,461.98	84,401.42	1,007,225.47
General Fund Budgetary Reserve	Standard Bank 321615	552,212.40	46.90	0.00	552,259.30
**Police		30,683.60			
**Streets		110,000.00			
**Contingency Fund		204,834.52			
**Infrastructure		96,588.62			
**BOMP1 Gas Well		11,498.30			
**BOMP2 Gas Well		4,668.35			
**Frick Park Gas Well		28,783.09			
**Levins		970.06			
**Surveillance Cameras		160.00			
**Early Warning Siren Grant		1,300.00			
**Fire		50,000.00			
**K-9		12,772.76			
Police Parking Tickets & Meters	Scottdale Bank 7000126	0.00	2,969.24	0.00	2,969.24
Escrow Account	PNC Bank 10-2912-6867	2,203.70	0.00	0.00	2,203.70
Liquid Fuels PLGIT	PLGIT 56980126	147,749.92	1.29	2,183.25	145,567.96
Monument CD	Standard Bank 328188	6,747.79	0.00	0.00	6,747.79
Holiday Lighting Fund	Standard Bank 050004849	1,803.94	0.08	0.00	1,804.02
Payroll Fund	PNC 00-0122-6415 Somerset Trust Co	661.21	66,563.19	66,563.19	661.21
Veterans Park Fund	2003058309	6,881.94	100.00	0.00	6,981.94
Town Clock Fund	Standard Bank 0010038847	614.01	0.02	0.00	614.03
Storm Water Retrofit Phase II	PNC Bank 10-3888-4556	1,247.21	0.00	0.00	1,247.21
Total General Fund Balance					1,787,222.87
Medic 10 Checking	Standard Bank 0010107643	143,733.44	49,968.16	141,674.12	52,027.48
Medic 10 Savings	Standard Bank 0310000238	156,131.92	1,013.35	0.00	157,145.27
Medic 10 Money Market	PNC Bank 10-1516-8804	5,884.74	0.23	0.00	5,884.97
Medic 10 Community Trust	Standard Bank 0000358253	4,000.83	0.00	0.00	4,000.83
Total Medic 10 Fund Balance					219,058.55
WWT Operational Acct	Standard Bank 0320012280	385,749.65	61,712.91	92,735.29	354,727.27
WWT Savings	Standard Bank 0050021008	115,237.33	1,514.05	0.00	116,751.38
WWT Budgetary Reserve	Standard Bank 0000287245	40,848.57	3.47	0.00	40,852.04
**Contingency		33,382.22			
**Infrastructure		7,469.82			
WWT Bio-Tower	Standard Bank 10127923	49,919.07	1,121.92	13,830.50	37,210.49
Total WWT Balance					549,541.18
Total Borough funds					2,555,822.60
Councilwoman Susan Ruskowski Secretary Beverly Fedorchak					

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President's Report:

A motion was made by Councilwoman Bailey to allow Mount Pleasant Glass & Ethnic Festival to hold its Annual Car Show at Frick Park on August 21, 2015 at 6pm. Rain date will be August 28, 2015. Motion seconded by Councilman Pritts. Motion carried 8-0.

A motion was made by Councilman Pritts to re-advertise for bids for construction of Penn Park. Motion seconded by Councilwoman Bailey. Motion carried 8-0.

Borough Manager's Report:

Borough Manager Landy reported on the following:

- Progress of the Frick Hospital Project.
- Meetings regarding agreement with Mount Pleasant Township.

- Street Department is working on playground equipment at Willows Park.
- The Bike Trail through Willow Park needs to be blocked off and the grass cut. Street Department personnel will brush hog the Bike Trail through Willow Park and clean up.
- Street Department will remove fencing at Volley Ball Court.
- Discussed painting the pavilions at Willow Park with WWT Supervisor Larry Hague.

Council instructed Borough Manager Landy to call Silvis Group Inc. to spray for bees at Frick Park Playground.

Council approved quote from Andy Zelinsky to cut and trim trees on borough property near Frick Park.

Borough Manager Landy said that he received notification that the Westmoreland County Tax Claim Bureau will be selling properties beginning on September 14, 2015 against which claims for delinquent real estate taxes have been filed. A list of municipal liens must be returned to the Tax Claim Bureau by August 1, 2015.

Waste Water Treatment Report: None

Veterans Park Report: None

Streets Report:

A motion was made by Councilwoman Bailey to suspend the rules for the purpose of hiring Larry Golobish II. Motion seconded by Councilman Pritts. Motion carried 8-0.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Bailey to hire Larry Golobish II as a part-time employee for the Street Department for a maximum of 30 hours per week at \$10 per hour. Motion seconded by Councilman Pritts. Motion carried 8-0.

Public Safety Zoning & Ordinance Report:

A motion was made by Councilwoman Stevenson to adopt Ordinance #646 to establish a permit parking only zone on both sides of Washington Street between College Avenue and S. Diamond Street. Motion seconded by Councilman Pritts. Councilwoman Bailey and Councilman Wagner abstained. Motion carried 6-0.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Stevenson to approve Ordinance #647 repealing Part 6 of Ordinance #624, Garage/Yard Sale Permits. Motion seconded by Councilman Pritts. Motion carried 8-0.

Councilwoman Stevenson read the following Fire Report for the month of May 2015:

Total calls – 35
 In town – 10
 Out of town – 25
 10-45's – 13
 10-45's W/Entrapment – 2
 Fires – 12
 Public service calls – 4
 Standby's – 1
 Turnpike calls – 5
 Total members answering – 460
 Ave. member per call – 13
 Total staff hours – 488

Councilwoman Stevenson said that the recent Community Yard Sale seems to have been a success. She put out 18 signs for the yard sale, mostly at the edges of town, and there was an advertisement in the Tribune Review. Maps were available in the parking lot behind Levin's.

Community & Economic Development/Grants Report: None

Parks & Recreation Report: None

Finance & Human Resources Report:

Councilwoman Ruszkowski said that she spoke to Mr. Al Pate, the owner of the property where the Welcome to Mount Pleasant Sign is located. Councilwoman Ruszkowski said that she gave Mr. Pate the landscape design provided by the BDA. Mr. Pate said that he is not against landscaping the area and he will get back to Councilwoman Ruszkowski after looking at the design. Mr. Pate said that he does not want political signs or advertisements on the property. Councilwoman Ruszkowski said that she spoke to Councilwoman Bailey and asked if the Street Department would check the area periodically and remove any of these signs.

Property Report: None

Sanitation & Recycling Report: None

New Business: None

Reading of Communications:

Discussion and Payment of Bills:

A motion was made by Councilman Pritts to pay all approved and authorized bills. Motion seconded by Councilman Bailey. Motion carried 8-0.

Miscellaneous and Adjournment:

A motion was made by Councilman Pritts to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded by Councilwoman Bailey. Motion carried 8-0.

Meeting Adjourned 8:20pm

Motions From Meeting of June 15, 2015

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