

Courtright appointed to Planning Commission in Mount Pocono

by Pattie Hughes

Mount Pocono Borough Council filled the vacant seat on the Borough's planning commission at the regular meeting on April 4. Two candidates were interviewed at the meeting, resident Fred Courtright and former planning commission member Jean Simchek. Simchek is also running for a seat on Borough Council.

Later in the meeting, Council unanimously approved a motion to appoint Fred Courtright to the planning commission. Courtright

has been a resident of the Borough for two years and works as a legal consultant.

During the meeting, council members were updated on the progress of the Pocono Area Recreation Commission (PARC). PARC consists of the Skywood, Ice Lake and Seven Pines Parks. PARC was created by Mount Pocono, Barrett and Paradise townships.

PARC board member Mike Oser told council that PARC is interviewing candidates for the Director position.

The Director will be responsible for overseeing administration, fundraising, and grant funding for the three parks. Interviews will be conducted

over the next two weeks.

Mount Pocono Borough Council is attempting to have the Borough building designated as a building of historical significance. Part of the process involves setting up a Borough Historic Preservation Committee. Council unanimously approved a motion to appoint John Finnerty, Ruth Gross, Shirley Landsdowne, Nancy Golowich and Shirley O'Boyle to the committee.

Council discussed the Five Points Intersection agreement. To complete the project, the Borough will receive \$500,000 from the commonwealth. The agreement states that money

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