

Special Meeting, Council Hall,
December 31, 1932, 7:30 P. M.

Borough Council met in Special Session at Council Hall on the above date.

Members present: President Gardner; Burgess Shinham; and Councilmen; Stover, Hoachlander, Miller, Bryson, Frank & Leshner.

Water Sup't. Hostetter turned in a check for \$ 209.40 representing water collections for the month, and made other reports as follows:--

(over)

Total water rents collected for year 1932, - - - - - \$ 8526.16

Gallons of water metered fourth quarter, - - - - - 7,302,853

Number of meters in service, - - - - - 180

He asked exoneration of the accounts of the Conrad and Walter Estate, stating that these amounts were uncollectable. Council promised action at a future meeting.

On motion the action of President Gardner was ratified in the matter of authorizing the Treasurer to temporarily transfer the amount of \$ 2300.00 from the Borough Account to the Bond account; the purpose of this transfer being to make it unnecessary to withdraw Bond account funds now on time deposit which would result in loss of interest.

On motion the Treasurer was authorized to redeem the \$ 5,000.00 in 5 % bonds authorized called at the last meeting and have same cancelled at once.

President Gardner reported a study of the gas and electric rate problem in progress and promised details when further data had been obtained.

The matter of the legality of Council's right to declare vacant the offices of Water Superintendent, Street Commissioner and Water Commissioner was questioned by Burgess Shinham, who stated that he had been warned that suit might be instituted. A letter was read from Borough Attorney Hoke in which Mr. Hoke stated that council had full authority to remove all appointed officers at its pleasure without assigning cause or reason, and cited Supreme Court decisions on this matter.

Applications for the position of Water Manager were read from the following:-

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| Jacob Foust, | Charles W. Bert, Jr. | C. S. Phipps, |
| C. E. Fries, | Chas. C. Kauffman, Sr. | J. G. Phillippy |
| Wm. W. Homer. | | |

Action was deferred until the regular January meeting.

On motion, meeting adjourned.


Secretary.