COALDALE BOROUGH COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
February 11, 2014 @ 7:00 P.M.

Call to Order

PLEDGE:

President Angela Krapf called the meeting to order followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call:

In attendance: Tom Keerans, Michael Doerr, Harry Hontz, Brenda Hosler, Linda Miller, Solicitor Michael Greek, Mayor Kellner, President Angela Krapf and Secretary/Treasurer Andrea Davis. Steve Tentylo was excused.

Public Participation: (1) Dave Yelito, 202 West Phillip St. Wanted to know why “Todd Weiss was demoted and Keith Krapf was promoted?” Mayor responded, “Changes made were to accommodate chain of command and by seniority.” Dave responded, “This council is only here to accommodate the Police Department and there is no cushion room”. Angela Krapf responded, “from 2006-2009 you ran the borough on loans, we can’t move forward if we keep looking behind”. Mayor also responded, “You, also took away the towns police department and there are still crimes taken place even if you don’t read about them all in the newspaper”. Angela Krapf responded, “It is our turn now to make changes” (2) Timothy Delaney, 215 East Street “Requesting to make Coal Street a two way again.” Mike Doerr stated “he didn’t know why that ever became a one way” Greek stated “a new ordinance would need to be produced” Tom Keerans MOTIONED that Coal Street be a two-way and Mike Doerr SECONDED, all in Favor. Greek said he would make up the new ordinance. (3) Debbie Danchak, 150 East Phillip Street wanted to Thank the Fire Department for all their help. (4) Tom Polischak, 6 East High Street Apt 2, “asking why Fire Company still has not received remainder of funds for 2012/2013.” Richard Marek (Police Chief) also wanted know to know. Andrea Davis responded “that she did research and came up with numbers to satisfy 2013 but not yet completed 2012 audit. As is stands at the moment borough needed to send a check for $455.11 to make up the difference of what was paid in taxes. It was up to the council members to pay out the difference.” Mike Doerr MOTIONED to pay Fire Company the difference of $5717.62 Linda Miller SECONDED, all in Favor. Andrea responded check would be produced before the Fire Co secretary left the meeting. (Check was received, spreadsheet included with minutes)

MINUTES: A MOTION made by Mike Doerr, SECOND by Brenda Hosler and APPROVED to accept the Minutes of the January 14, 2014 meeting. Motion carried.
TREASURER’S REPORT: Report Included

APPROVAL OF BILLS: Check on Pagers phones and make adjustments to save money and remove what is not being used. A MOTION made by Mike Doerr, second by Tom Keerans and APPROVED. Motion carried.

MAYORS REPORT: Mayor Kellner discussed about bringing police back and Harry Hontz requested a committee meeting scheduled for Tuesday, February 18th. Tom Keerans brought up putting a referendum on this year’s ballot for the people of Coaldale to vote if they want and feel a need to bring three full time Officers back. Greek responded it would need to be done right away and may incur fees. Tom Keerans Motioned for referendum on ballot, Mike Doerr Seconded Roll Call vote: Angela Krapf-No, Brenda Hosler-No, Linda Miller-No, Harry Hontz-No, Mike Doerr-YES, Tom Keerans-YES….Motioned Denied

Chief of Police Report: Received included with minutes

President’s Report: None

SECRETARY’S REPORT: Reminded: Proposal that was made for a Safety Committee to commence in January. It will save borough 5% = $2500 off their Workers’ comp insurance annually. Tom Keerans, Mike Doerr, Tim Delaney and Richard Marek volunteered for the committee.

SOLICITOR: Solicitor Greek reported on the following: Bachert case the zoning officer needs to be in court on the 20th of January. MEM assets to be liquidated. Solicitors’ office is handling paperwork.

CODE ENFORCEMENT: Michael O’Hara sent his report

ZONING: No zoning applications since last report. Bachert letter from Greek…

COMMITTEE REPORTS

POLICE: None

FINANCE: None

UTILITIES: Tom Keerans Water Authority position was posted in Times News for 3 days and we received one application…John Serma…Mike Doerr Motioned for John Serma to be re-appointed to Water Authority, Harry Hontz Seconded…All in Favor
REVITALIZATION:  None

COMPLEX COMMITTEE:  Harry Hontz stated two sinks and toilet that were leaking were fixed.

DEMOLITION:  None

STREETS:  Tom Keerans reported Kenny needed anti-skid and more rosk salt A Motion was made by Brenda Hosler and Second, by Linda Miller. Motion carried.

RECREATION:  None

HANDICAP:  Linda Miller requested an application for Michael Papesh for 241 West Howard Ave location is at last parking spot across street by telephone pole. A Motion was made by Brenda Hosler and Second, by Linda Miller. Motion carried.

FIRE AND AMBULANCE:  Fire Chief Marek Report given to Mike Doerr

BUILDINGS:  None

GRANTS:  Linda Miller stated she is working on it

OLD BUSINESS:  N/A

NEW BUSINESS:  Harry Hontz brought up application for Joseph David to be hired as a Part time police officer at $18.00 hour. Motioned by Brenda Hosler and Seconded by Harry Hontz All in Favor. Approved Also Tracking device from ActSoft to be removed from vehicles. Motioned by Linda Miller and Seconded by Harry Hontz All in Favor. Approved

EXECUTIVE SESSION:  Personnel issues started at 8:33-9:17 Secretary asked to step out

ADJOURN:  A MOTION made by Tom Keerans, second by Mike Doerr and APPROVED to Adjourn at 9:25 pm.

SUBMITTED BY:

Andrea M Davis, Borough Secretary
Submitted for approval on March 11, 2014