

Borough of Coaldale

Meeting Minutes

Gen Mtg. July 14th, 2015

Meeting is called to order by President Thomas Keerans followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call : President Thomas Keeran- present, Vice President Michael Doerr- present, Yvonne Stoffey- present, Frank Hutta-present, Solicitor Robert Yurchak- present, Mayor Joel Johnson-present, Angela Krapf- present, Brenda Hosler-present, Harry Hontz- not present

Before opening the meeting to public participation, Tom Keerans addressed council and asked what they would like to be done about hiring a secretary. Frank Hutta discussed the interviews that were done in the previous days. Treasurer/Asst Secretary Anissa Nunemacher was asked what her thoughts were about hiring, because the brunt of the work is falling on her. Angela Krapf asked why are we paying a temp worker if she is not able to handle the secretary work that is coming in the office. It was decided that we could wait another week-two weeks at the most until we find out if one of the applicants is able to handle the schedule before we make the decision. July 23rd was the deadline given in order for this applicant to get back to us.

Public Participation-

Ed Flysik- asked to be elevated to full zoning board member from alternate. Mike Doerr made a motion to approve this, Yvonne second. Motion passed

Grace Getz & Walter Getz- Fisher Ave, asked again about purchasing the property adjacent to their home from the borough. Offer to accept an offer of \$1000 and all expenses to purchase the property. A Discussion was held about the borough actually owning the property. A suggestion was made to look on Schuylkill County Parcel Locator to identify who the actual owner of the property is. Anissa Nunemacher looked at the parcel on the locator and it said that the parcel was already owned by the Getz's. They were going to look into it further.

A resident from- 28 E High St. Brought up the issue about neighbor disturbances/Quality of Life ordinance

Ann Gallagher- 26 E High St. Brought up the same issues the previous resident discussed- neighbor disturbances/Quality of Life.

Previous meeting minutes (june 9th, 2015). Brenda Hosler made a motion to accept with the correction of name of Mark Willing to Wilden. Frank Hutta second. Motion Passed.

Treasurer's Report- Mike Doerr made a motion to go with Community Leasing Partners Option 2, to purchase the police vehicle. Seconded by Brenda. Motion Passed. Mike Doerr made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented, Brenda Hosler second. Motion passed.

Computer purchase for the police dept- Brenda Hosler made a motion to go with the highest quote, Mike Doerr Second. Brenda Rescinded the motion after Officer Krapf said they would be ok with the middle one. Brenda Hosler made a motion to purchase the computer at a price of \$1358.00 from Dell Computers, Mike Doerr Second. Motion passed,

Approval of Bills-Motion made by Brenda Hosler to accept, Mike Doerr second. Motion passed.

Mayor's Report- asked about the request he made regarding information regarding borough business being given to him. Asked for approval to codify all ordinances in the borough, and it was decided to look into it and benefits of it.

Police Report- Mike Doerr presented the report, asked to purchase new tires for unit 57, and made a motion to accept, Brenda Hosler Second. Motion passed. Unit 67 needed to be repaired, and will also need new tires once we get a quote. Parts of the new vests came in.

President's Report- Amend the ordinance for parking on W high St, and will advertise once it's amended.

Letter requesting use of soccer field at Complex for Tamaqua Youth Soccer.

Benda made a motion to let them use the field provided they have proper insurance, Second by Mike Doerr . Motion passed.

Officer Krapf presented a resignation letter to Mike Doerr from Officer Matthew Houser effective May 31,2015. The hiring of Thomas Fort and Christopher Conarty that was discussed at the previous meeting once all the paperwork is in.

Request from New England Valley Menonite Church to canvas the town on July 30 from 6:30-8:30. Wavier of solicitation permit. Brenda Hosler made the motion to accept waiving the permit, Yvonne Stoffey- Second. Motion passed.

Request form Timothy Delaney to receive his pension. Tom Keerans asked Attny Yurchak how we proceed, and he said we need to have pension board meeting to discuss and approve. A meeting of the police pension board was scheduled for July 22nd, 2015 to discuss the issue.

Secretary's Report-none.

Solicitor Report-none.

Code Enforcement Report- Mike O'hara.

Zoning Officer Report- Carl Faust- none.

Police Committee- Mike Doerr- gave police department stats and mileage on vehicles.

Finance Committer-Angela Krapf- none

Utilities Committee- cell tower meeting will be held on July 29th @ 6:00 pm. Phillips St Work has started. Sewer Authority letters from the meeting.

Revitalization Committee-none

Complex Committee-none

Demolition Committee- Angela Krapf said she is going to talk to the grant writer Mary Linkevich about demolition grants for several properties.

Streets Committee-Mike Doerr- Bull Run St Section needs to fixed because a pipe collapsed. 20 foot section- notify homeowners of parking restrictions during work. It was discussed that last year there was possibly a motion made to have Radocha do the work on this project, and we will have to go back and look into it. Jonathan Oakes said he can ask Radocha's as well if they gave us an estimate. People are getting water in their basements.

West Moser Avenue- road keeps opening and it may be a sinkhole. Water authority looked at it, and we may need to have the engineer look at it and see if it's a Mine Subsidence. Mike Doerr made a motion to have Benesch look at it, Brenda Hosler –second. Motion passed.

Weather permitting, pool road paving and paving in the driving lanes on 5th & Phillips will take place. Mike made a motion, Brenda Hosler –second. Motion passed.

Discussion about the dumptruck that we purchased that broke down and we have to purchase a new engine. Options include a bus engine at about \$5300 + labor, or a new engine at \$10,000. We can also check with Kovatch to see what their estimate would be to fix it.

Brenda Hosler made a motion to use Radocha to haul hot patch until we decide what we are doing. Angela Krapf –second. Motion passed.

Street Signs being stolen, several police reports have been made to the police.

Special Event hosted by St. Luke’s Miners Hospital on Sept 19th, 2015- a 5K run will be held, from the hospital to the stadium and they are requesting some fire police for the event. Information was given to Jonathan Oakes, from the fire dept regarding the event. Mike Doerr made a motion to allow the run/walk , Second by Angela Krapf. Motion passed.

Recreation- report given by Angela Krapf. CHOSE started a Go Fund Me Account to try to raise some money for playground equipment. Splash Bash will be held on the Sunday the 19th, at 2:00 pm.

Lightbulbs that are being replaced in the Complex- can they be placed in the dumpster instead of being put out for garbage for fear of being smashed. It was agreed that they should be put in the dumpster.

A \$2500.00 donation to the ESCRC is being requested again this year, but in the past years, we have been turned down for their grant. It was decided that we not join again, and keep the \$2500.00 to purchase our own piece of equipment instead of maybe or maybe not getting a grant. Mike Doerr made a motion to not join, Brenda Hosler, second. Motion passed.

Angela Krapf made a motion to use a portion of the \$2500.00 for playground equipment.

Motion made by Frank Hutta to use the \$2500.00 in our own recreation line item each year. Second by Mike Doerr. Motion passed. Angela rescinded her original motion to use a portion of the funds towards playground equipment.

Mayor Joel Johnson asked if he could get the basketball hoop in Seek repaired. Brenda Hosler made a motion to take the hoop to Nestor’s to repair. Frank Hutta –second. Motion passed.

The price will not exceed \$200.00

CHOSE-winefest @ the fire company in the fall is being looked into.

Handicap- n/a

Fire/Ambulance- report given with stats for the month. Discussion about repairing the emergency siren wiring possibly at Martin’s in New England Valley.

Jonathan Oakes discussed the poker run that is being held August 15th from the Coaldale Rod & Gun to benefits the fire company.

Buildings-Frank Hutta. Seitz July 27th to spray the complex, both interior and exterior.

Old Business-n/a

New Business-

The meeting was adjourned to go into an Executive Session. Readjourned at 9:40 pm by Tom Keerans. Motion to adjourn meeting by Brenda Hosler, Second by Frank Hutta. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned.

Submitted by ,

Anissa Nunemacher

Borough Treasurer/Asst Secretary