Call to Order

Meeting was called to order by Council President Angela Krapf followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call:

Solicitor Robert Yurchak, Council President Angela Krapf, Councilman Harry Hontz, Councilman Mike Doerr, Council Vice President Claire Remington, Councilman Frank Hutta, Councilwoman Yvonne Stoffey and Mayor Joel Johnson. Councilman Tom Kearans was absent.

Executive Session

Public Participation:

- A nonresident asked to speak and President allowed. She had asked about holding a vigil at the Coaldale Complex field and release lanterns for a drug awareness.
- Tom Bartasavage (40 West Water Street) wanted to know if he could stop being billed for a garbage bill because his house burned down.
- Bob Perrin wanted to know about displaying the Coaldale High School trophies at the museum in Lansford with the understanding the borough maintains ownership of the trophies. Motion was made by Yvonne, seconded by Mike Doerr to allow it.

Approval of Minutes:

- Motion to accept the minutes was made by Claire Remington and was seconded by Yvonne Stoffey and motion was carried

Treasurer’s Report/Approval of Bills:

- Motion to accept made by Claire Remington and was seconded by Harry Hontz and motion was carried.

Streets Report:

- Send thank you letters to Lansford and Summit Hill for their assistance with shared services.
- Put truck in Municipal magazine to sell for parts.
- Parking lines will be painted
- Changing bus stop back to corner of Phillips and 3rd.
- Advertise in newspaper for snowplow drivers.
  Motion was made by Frank Hutta, seconded by Harry Hontz to accept streets report and advertise for snowplow drivers, motion was carried.

Police Report:

- Requesting to order badges. Motion was made by Yvonne Stoffey, seconded by Harry Hontz, and motion was carried.

Mayor Report: No Report
Presidents Report:

- Council members to go and view Lansford Museum
- Send Bob Perrin a thank you
- Need a resolution for January 2016’s snowstorm
  Motion by Harry to do a resolution, seconded by Frank, motion is carried.
- Need a designated person to attend these snow disaster meetings in the future
  Motion by Claire to have Suzanne be the designated person seconded by Frank, motion was carried.

Secretary Report: Anissa had an equipment rental sheet for us to look into.

Fire/Ambulance: Report was read

Solicitor Report: No solicitor report

Code Enforcement: No report due to not having a code enforcement officer.

Committee Reports

Buildings: Nothing new

Complex: Awnings for the rear of the complex to eliminate the scaffolding. $2300 total for the two 4 foot awnings. Motion by Frank Hutta, seconded by Harry, motion is carried.

Demolition: Notify residents about the possibly of their driveways being blocked during demolition on Fisher Ave.

Finance: Budget meeting is August 23rd at 6:30pm. Portnoff is going to be contacted about collecting our delinquent garbage bills.

Grants: Did not get accepted for the recycling grant.

Handicap: W. Lehigh Street. Motion by Claire Remington, seconded by Harry Hontz, motion was carried.

Personnel: Motion made by Yvonne Stoffey, seconded by Frank Hutta to hire Damian Quick as our new code enforcement. Claire Remington made the motion to hire Mike Angst on an as needed basis for the borough crew, seconded by Frank Hutta, motion is carried. Personnel files are still being organized.

Frank Hutta mentioned what was discussed at the Police Committee meeting.

Police: Positive remarks about the multiple drug arrests that were made. Breath analyzer needs to be calibrated and needs solution. Other departments will also use the machine as well.

Civil service applications for the 6 year term vacancy-motion by Harry Hontz, seconded by Yvonne Stoffey to appoint Joe Nunemacher to the 6 year civil service position. Motion was carried.

Recreation: Fire Company would like to use the borough horses for their poker run. Motion made by Mike Doerr, seconded by Frank, motion was carried.
Streets: Need to vote on the Escalator clause/material resolution for asphalt. Motion was made by Claire Remington, seconded by Harry Hontz, motion was carried.

Old Business: Nesters sent a letter that since they donated the legs to the bench, they would like for the Mayor to be able to coordinate where the go. Claire Remington said she would rather just pay them for the legs so we can place the bench wherever council decides. Claire Remington made the motion to find the cost of the legs and pay it. Seconded by Harry Hontz, motion was carried.

Claire Remington brought up how the camper that is on one of the borough’s paper street, is still there. Solicitor Yurchak said he sent him a letter about it.

New Business: There was a letter sent for a repository sale. They bid $1106 for Ridge Street property. Mike Doerr tabled any action until we send the bidder a letter to ask what their intentions with the property are.

Motion to adjourn made by Mike Doerr, seconded by Frank Hutta, motion was carried.