

COALDALE BOROUGH MEETING MINUTES
221/223 THIRD ST., COALDALE PA 18218
January 9TH, 2024, 7:00PM

7PM Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: In attendance: Attorney Yurchak, Mayor Ramirez, President Claire Remington, Jacob Adamitis, Vice President Yvonne Stoffey, Francis Hutta, Wayne Figner, Jill Figner Kim Gavornik **Absent:** Angela Krapf

Public Participation

Tristain Blasko

Asked what the requirements for the position of the water authority were? Response Frank Hutta: He narrowed down the selection to three candidates for the interview process. Interviews were held with the council. Claire Remington suggested that the more involved that community is, better and that there are other positions on the sewer authority and zoning board. Entitled to future meetings to become more involved.

Rudy Feany

Would like to know the name and phone number for an attorney to resolve the bug infestation. Claire Remington response: Stated that she would reach out to Luis Negron with Systems Design and see if she can get this resolved.

Robert Demyanovich

Is Chief Krapf still the chief? Answered in unison by all council members "NO". Did he receive settlement from the borough. "He is not on comp anymore and the borough does not pay his health insurance any longer and is he not on Heart and lung anymore" Response: all council members muttering "NO" "last question Is there any update for the felony investigation for the bleachers and the tires". Response Claire Remington: I have that on the agenda later in the night and we will not be letting this go. Bob added that maybe this should be investigated by the DA's office to eliminate any mishandling of things. Response Claire Remington we are not taking this lightly we will not be letting this go.

Previous months minutes

- Motion to approve previous month's minutes and the reorganization minutes from last month. First: Francis Hutta Second: Jacob Adamitis **Motion Carried.**

Treasurer Report/ Approval of Bills

- Motion to accept Treasurer's Report First: Francis Hutta Second: Wayne Figner **Motion Carried.**
- Motion to pay current bills. First: Francis Hutta Second: Wayne Figner **Motion Carried.**

Police Report

- Motion made to approve the monthly report District justice fines \$455.03 \$475 parking tickets, \$125 moving permits, \$50 accident reports Total money collected \$1105.03. 1399 Miles patrolled, 96 Calls for service, 1053 calls for the 2023 year. 5 parking tickets, 16 traffic citations, 4 criminal arrests. Unit 54 has new tires for the winter First by Francis Hutta Second: Jacob Adamitis **Motion Carried.**
- Claire Remington wanted to recognize the police department for such a wonderful job, she doesn't know when she has seen this much activity, and she is happy to say we are moving forward.

Mayor's Report

- Will have a meet the mayor day every month from 2-5pm to listen to the people's concerns.
- Mayor will be donating his 2 years of mayor's pay to the senior meals program.

Presidents Report

- New committees assigned.
- ADP Biweekly pay and electronic information was given to all council members to review for next meeting.
- Audit update, Still having trouble finding anyone to complete the audit. We need to get the audits completed so that we can get grant money.
- Motion made to contact System Design to investigate the cost of adding health inspection. to Louis's title. First by Frank Hutta, second by Jacob Adamitis **Motion carried.**
- Motion made to appoint Beth Martinico the Asst.Treasurer /Asst.Secretary first by Frank Hutta second by Wayne Finger **Motion Carried.**
- C.H.O.S.E. has not responded to the request for the return of our property and request for the financial report. Attorney Yurchak stated that he would reach out to organizations and see what legal ramifications can take. Public question has anyone checked the filing status for the organization. Response Claire Remington, it has been brought to our attention and we are looking into it.

Secretary's Report

- Motion Made to approve the use of Course vector to build our new website. This website will cost \$1944 for the first year and \$746 for every subsequent year. First by Francis Hutta Second: Wayne Figner **Motion Carried.**
- Diversified update all bills are going out for the water bills. There is a note on the bills. If you find an error within your bill you must have a receipt and we will gladly make any changes. There will be a 10-day Grace period. There will be a color change to the sewer transmission bill that will now be black and white to help aid people in the confusion since the bills are so similar.
- Council members have your ethics forms in your packets please sign these and get them back to the borough office as soon as possible.

Solicitor Report

Fire Report

- Motion to accept Fire report First by Francis Hutta Second: Jacob Adamitis **Motion Carried.**

Code Enforcement/ Zoning Reports

Jr Councilperson Report

Committee Reports:

Administrative

- Secretary has been hired, is being trained in new office hours Monday through Thursday 9-2 and Friday 9-1. The office hours will start the first week of February.

Buildings/ Complex

- Motion to get a price to fix one section of windows on the East side, or possibly closing off the side of the building. Roll call Vote, Claire Remington YES, Yvonne Stoffey YES, Jacob Adamitis YES, Kim Gavornik YES, Wayne Figner YES. Abstention Frank Hutta.
- Motion made to increase the rate of the complex \$200 for 5 hours and \$25 every hour after that. First by Frank Hutta second by Jacob Adamitis **Motion carried.**
- Motion made to increase the rate for sports rentals to \$20 per hour. For adult sports it is \$25 per hour and a 2-hour minimum. First by Frank Hutta second Jacob Adamitis **Motion carried.**

Demolition/ grants

finance/ Utilities.

Motion made to hire Mary Ann flick as the water authority representative **First by Yvonne Stoffey and second by Frank Hutta**

Handicap

Motion to approve the handicap parking spot at 126 East high street coaldale. First by Frank Hutta and Second by Wayne Figner **motion approved.**

Memorial

Police

Monthly meetings will be held. A Facebook page has been created as well for the police department.

Police Pension

Recreation

We will be holding 2 fundraisers this spring and use the funds to purchase new tables and chairs for the complex

Streets

Streets were plowed and cleaned up through the first snowstorm and was completed very cost effectively. Last snow cleanup cost \$8000.

Old Business

Motion to approve the new fees for the year with the addition of \$75 bounced fee being added. First by Frank Hutta and Second by Jacob Adamitis **Motion carried.**

New Business

Motion to approve the new salaries log for all borough employees First by Yvonne Stoffey and Second by Frank Hutta

Memorandum of understanding for officer in charge Joe Krebs to increase in pay to match the new responsibility.

Motion to hire Kevin Soberick as a part time as needed snowplow driver First by Frank Hutta and second by Jacob Adamitis

Request from council members that when applying for positions please list experience.

Executive Session

Adjournment 9:34PM First by Francis Hutta Second: Jacob Adamitis **Motion Carried**

Transcribed by Beth Martinico