

COALDALE BOROUGH COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
221/223 Third St., Coaldale, PA 18218
July 12, 2022 7:00pm

Executive Session: 6:30pm-7:00pm Personnel matters were discussed.

Call to Order

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

Roll Call: Solicitor Robert Yurchak, Mayor Herb Whildin, Council President Angela Krapf, Council Vice President Claire Remington, Councilman Jacob Adamitis, Councilman Wayne Figner, Councilman Ken Hankey Jr., Councilman Francis Hutta, Junior Councilperson Kaidence Krapf, and Junior Councilperson Hilary Shreffler were present. Councilwoman Yvonne Stoffey was absent.

Audience Attendance: 6 members of the public and 1 police officer.

Public Participation:

- Daniel Weiksner, 1 W. High St., addressed the water usage rate increases and that it was advertised in multiple news sources as well as social media. He also addressed the misinformation about the board members pensions, pay, and how they cut benefits.
- Susie Bortnick, 55 W. Ridge St., voiced concerns of properties with quality of life violations. President Angela Krapf suggested sending courtesy letters out to make homeowners aware of their violations. Council agreed to letters being sent.
- Robert Demyanovich, 225 W Phillips St., asked if American Rescue Plan money was being used for complex roof. Angela Krapf referenced to the information given at June's meeting which was that only a portion was being used for the roof. Then he asked if money could be used for blighted properties and it was explained to him by Angela and Claire that no, there are only specific uses those funds can be used for.

Approval of previous minutes: **Motion** made by Francis Hutta to approve the previous minutes. Seconded by Wayne Figner and the motion carried **unanimously**.

Treasurer's Report/Approval of Bills:

- **Motion** made by Francis Hutta to accept the treasurer's report. Seconded by Wayne Figner and motion carried **unanimously**.
- **Motion** made by Francis Hutta to pay the bills. Seconded by Wayne Figner and motion carried **unanimously**.

Police Report: Read by Angela Krapf

- **Motion** made by Frank Hutta to accept the police report. Seconded by Wayne Figner and motion carried **unanimously**.

Mayors Report: None

Presidents Report: Given by Angela Krapf, President

- Lightfund Resolution needed for cheaper rate to get it paid off. **Motion** made by Francis Hutta. Seconded by Claire Remington and motion carried **unanimously**.
- \$677.60 collected in June from PLA for delinquent sanitation with \$74.00 interest.
- \$375.00 collected in June from PLA delinquent sewer transmission.
- \$3,812.05 collected in June from PLA for delinquent real estate taxes with \$160.77 interest.

Secretary's Report: Given by Casey Johnstone

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- Received notice of a Private Sale for 3 properties in the borough to JPM Holdings: 250 W. Ridge St., 120 E. Early Ave., and 224 East Street. **Motion** made by Claire Remington to approve the sale. Seconded by Jake Adamitis and motion carried **unanimously**.
- Request by resident to be refunded their pool permit money due to not being able to meet the requirements. **Motion** made by Francis Hutta to deny the refund. Seconded by Jacob Adamitis and motion carried **unanimously**.
- SWIF renewal will go into effect 09/01/22 with an increase of \$783 **Motion** made by Frank Hutta to approve the renewal. Seconded by Wayne Figner and motion carried **unanimously**.

Solicitor Report: None

Fire Report: Read by Jacob Adamitis, Chairperson

Code Enforcement/Zoning Report: None

Jr. Council Report: None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Buildings/Complex:

- There was discussion about replacing the flooring in the back office.
- Kevin Soberick needs to be recognized as our fire inspector for him to be able to do the fire inspection for the complex. He said because the preschool is going in the complex that we need to have a metered fire alarm. Angela stated she will get more information from Kevin on the details of the fire alarm system. Francis Hutta made a **Motion** to add a **Motion** to recognize a fire inspector. Seconded by Wayne Figner and motion carried **unanimously**. **Motion** made by Francis Hutta to recognize Kevin Soberick as the fire inspector. Seconded by Wayne Figner and motion carried **unanimously**.

Demolition/Grants: None

Finance/Utilities: None

Handicap: None

Police:

- Angela stated that Yvonne had previously brought up that the Police Department needs new guns and that it is in their contract as well. Angela passed around a quote for 5 new guns at \$481.00 per piece. The total came to \$2,549.30 with tax included. **Motion** made by Francis Hutta to purchase the guns for the Police Department. Seconded by Wayne Figner and motion carried **unanimously**.

Police Pension: None

Recreation/Memorial: None

Streets: Given by Claire Remington, Chairperson

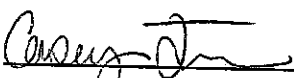
- Street cleanup is going on now and Street repairs are upcoming. Next Tuesday, weather permitting we will be starting the street paving in the borough.

Old Business: None

New Business: None

Adjournment: **Motion** made by Frank Hutta at 7:44pm, seconded by Wayne Figner and motion carried **unanimously**.

SUBMITTED BY:



Casey Johnstone, Borough Secretary

Submitted for approval on August 9, 2022

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