

COALDALE BOROUGH COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
221/223 Third St., Coaldale, PA 18218
September 13, 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: Council President Angela Krapf, Council Vice President Claire Remington, Councilman Jacob Adamitis, Councilman Francis Hutta, Councilman Wayne Figner Councilwoman Yvonne Stoffey, Junior Councilperson Kaidence Krapf, and Junior Councilperson Hilary Shreffler were present. Solicitor Robert Yurchak, Mayor Herb Whildin and Councilman Ken Hankey Jr. were absent.

Audience Attendance: 3 members of the public, 1 police officer.

Public Participation:

- Robert Demyanovich, 225 W. Phillips St., asked about the progress made on the blighted properties at 244 and 246 W. Phillips St. Claire will reach out to the engineers to see what could be done.
- Frank Hutta, 120 W. Lehigh St., speaking as a resident not a councilman, requested the borough have the engineers mark off W. Lehigh St. at the last block to access his property. Angela suggested talking to Attorney Yurchak for his suggestions.

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 Yvonne Stoffey

- **Motion** made by Francis Hutta to accept the report. Seconded by Wayne Figner and motion carried **unanimously**.
- **Motion** made by Francis Hutta to purchase tires for Unit 59. Seconded by Wayne Figner and motion carried **unanimously**.

Mayors Report: None

Presidents Report: Given by Angela Krapf, President

- There was a miscalculation of a building permit fee where it was overcharged \$843 according to the notes from Casey Johnstone and it will need to be reimbursed. Angela wants to double check the amount before the check gets cut. **Motion** made by Francis Hutta to reimburse no more than \$843.00. Seconded by Wayne Figner and motion carried **unanimously**.
- Discussed a bill that was received for flow monitoring from the CLSH Sewer Authority. Angela will call them to discuss.
- **Motion** made by Francis Hutta to pay back pay for the previous secretary. Additional \$5 per hour for hours past training. Seconded by Wayne Figner and motion carried **unanimously**.
- Received a resignation letter from borough secretary Casey Johnstone. Motion to accept the resignation letter made by Claire Remington. Seconded by Jake Adamitis and motion carried **unanimously**.
- **Motion** made by Claire Remington to accept the contract that was agreed upon with Lacey Gonzalez from her time of hire. Seconded by Francis Hutta and motion carried **unanimously**.

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- Received the Minimum Municipal Obligation for the police pension. **Motion** made by Claire Remington to pay the line 9 amount of \$73,862.00. Seconded by Francis Hutta and motion carried **unanimously**.
- **Motion** made by Francis Hutta to appoint new secretary Beth Shreffler at \$12 an hour with a pay increase after 90 days to \$15 an hour with a 1-year probationary period. Second by Jacob Adamitis and motion carried **unanimously**. This is an appointed position there for this did not need to be advertised.

Secretary's Report: None

Solicitor Report: None

Fire Report: None

Code Enforcement/Zoning Report: None

Jr. Council Report: None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Buildings/Complex:

- Lehigh Valley Children Center is occupying two classrooms at the complex.
- Francis Hutta stated that the roof will be started before the next meeting.
- Voting will be moved from the Gym to the large classroom not occupied.

Demolition/Grants: None

Finance/Utilities: None

Handicap:

- One application for handicap parking submitted for 145 East High St. Application was submitted with payment of \$125. Application was reviewed and approved by the police. **Motion** by Claire Remington Second by Francis Hutta and motion carried **unanimously**.

Police: None

Police Pension: None

Recreation/Memorial:

- Rock the Block was a successful with large support from the community.


Streets: None

Old Business: None

New Business: None

Adjournment: Motion made by Frank Hutta at **7:36pm**, seconded by Jacob Adamitis and motion carried **unanimously**.

SUBMITTED BY:



Beth Shreffler, Borough Secretary

Submitted for approval on October 11, 2022