

**COUDERSPORT BOROUGH COUNCIL
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
DECEMBER 21, 2016
6:30PM**

The Coudersport Borough Council held their regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, December 21, 2016 at the Coudersport Borough Maintenance Facility on Damascus Street.

Council President George Hults called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm and led all present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Present were Council members George Hults, Richard Neefe IV, Gene Neefe, Bryan Welsh, Todd Husson and Andy Bristol.

Also present were Todd Brown, Wayne Wentzel, Nick Hartranft, Chief McClain, Beverly Morris, Mayor Whitman, Holly Hyde, and Solicitor Glassmire.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was motioned by Councilman Gene Neefe, seconded by Councilman Bryan Welsh to approve the November 16, 2016 meeting minutes as presented.

VOUCHER LIST

General Fund \$55,112.16, Water Operating Fund \$21,900.70, Sewer Operating Fund \$32,476.57, Fire Protection Fund \$17,626.16, Street Lighting Fund \$3,185.86, Recreation Fund \$724.07, Library Fund \$ 6,575.00, and Act 13 Gas Well Impact Fund \$5,596.30. It was motioned by Councilman T. Husson, seconded by Councilman A. Bristol to approve the Voucher list as presented. Roll call taken: Councilman George Hults Yes, Councilman B. Welsh Yes, Councilman A. Bristol Yes, Councilman R. Neefe IV Yes, Councilman E. Neefe Yes, and Councilman T. Husson Yes. 6 Yes and 0 No

REPORTS RECEIVED: police, meeting notes, voucher list, fund balances, and treasurer's report.

OLD BUSINESS

2017 Fee Schedule

It was motioned by Councilman T. Husson, seconded by Councilman E. Neefe to approve the 2017 Fee Schedule subject to change. Roll call taken: Councilman George Hults Yes, Councilman B. Welsh Yes, Councilman A. Bristol Yes, Councilman R. Neefe IV Yes, Councilman E. Neefe Yes, and Councilman T. Husson Yes. 6 Yes and 0 No

The Ordinance to the change to the signage for the Historical District and Buchsen Property at 863 North Main St. will be ready for January 2017 meeting. Solicitor Glassmire states there will be no enforcement or violation that will take place during this time. Anyone applying for a sign can do so and all will proceed as usual.

It was motioned by Councilman B. Welsh, seconded by Councilman A. Bristol to approve Manager Morris to proceed with permits in the Historical District on signage. Roll call taken: Councilman George Hults Yes, Councilman B. Welsh Yes, Councilman A. Bristol Yes, Councilman R. Neefe IV Yes, Councilman E. Neefe Yes, and Councilman T. Husson Yes. 6 Yes and 0 No

NEW BUSINESS

2017- Budget

It was motioned by Councilman B. Welsh, seconded by Councilman E. Neefe to adopt the 2017 Budget. Roll call taken: Councilman George Hults Yes, Councilman B. Welsh Yes, Councilman A. Bristol Yes, Councilman R. Neefe IV Yes, Councilman E. Neefe Yes, and Councilman T. Husson Yes. 6 Yes and 0 No

MILLAGE ORDINANCE 616

It was motioned by Councilman T. Husson, seconded by Councilman E. Neefe to pass the Millage Ordinance 616. Roll call taken: Councilman George Hults Yes, Councilman B. Welsh Yes, Councilman A. Bristol Yes, Councilman R. Neefe IV Yes, Councilman E. Neefe Yes, and Councilman T. Husson Yes. 6 Yes and 0 No

RESOLUTION 2016-8

Resolution 2016-8 to appoint William Krog to serve a five year term on the Coudersport Borough Authority with the term to end January 1, 2022 , Helen Pryslak for Coudersport Borough Planning Commission with the term to end May 10, 2020, Nicole Larsen to Coudersport Borough Zoning Hearing Board with the term to end December 31, 2021, to appoint Roger Bickerman as Sewage Enforcement Officer for the year 2017, Dan Glassmire and Tom Shafer as Borough Solicitor for 2017, Northwest Savings Bank as depository for 2017, Patrick Larsen as Zoning Hearing Solicitor for 2017 and to appoint Frederick Furman as Vacancy Board Chairman for the year 2017.

It was motioned by Councilman E. Neefe, seconded by Councilman A. Bristol to accept Resolution 2016-8. Roll call taken: Councilman George Hults Yes, Councilman B. Welsh Yes, Councilman A. Bristol Yes, Councilman R. Neefe IV Yes, Councilman E. Neefe Yes, and Councilman T. Husson Yes. 6 Yes and 0 No

2017 Garbage Bids

B &S no bid

Gozelski paid there \$250 for hauling permit but submitted no bids.

LaForge paid \$250 for hauling permit but submitted no bids.

Casella paid \$250 hauling permit and submitted the following bids.

Office \$132, WWTP \$36.00, Water Plant \$54, Shop \$143, Library \$79, CARP \$95, Little League \$36, Pool \$36.

It was motioned by Councilman A. Bristol, seconded by Councilman E. Neefe to accept Casella for the 2017 Garbage pickup. Roll call taken: Councilman George Hults Yes, Councilman B. Welsh Yes, Councilman A. Bristol Yes, Councilman R. Neefe IV Yes, Councilman E. Neefe Yes, and Councilman T. Husson Yes. 6 Yes and 0 No

It was motioned by Councilman T. Husson, seconded by Councilman B. Welsh to approve the hauler fees from Gozelski, LaForge, and Casella. Roll call taken: Councilman George Hults Yes, Councilman B. Welsh Yes, Councilman A. Bristol Yes, Councilman R. Neefe IV Yes, Councilman E. Neefe Yes, and Councilman T. Husson Yes. 6 Yes and 0 No

2017 Fuel Bids

Sheetz Inc. discount is 2.5 cents a gal and no taxes

WG Satterlee & Sons Inc. would charge \$1.8050 per gal.

Kwik Fill/ United Refining Co. discount price is .05 cents per gal.

It was motioned by Councilman E. Neefe, seconded by Councilman A. Bristol to accept all bids as presented. Roll call taken: Councilman George Hults Yes, Councilman B. Welsh Yes, Councilman A. Bristol Yes, Councilman R. Neefe IV Yes, Councilman E. Neefe Yes, and Councilman T. Husson Yes. 6 Yes and 0 No

2017 Borough Council Meeting dates

The 2017 meeting date will stay on the 3rd Wednesday of the month starting at 6pm with a workshop for half hour and meeting starting at 6:30pm. It was motioned by Councilman R. Neefe IV, seconded by Councilman T. Husson to keep the Borough Council meetings on the 3rd Wednesday of the month for 2017. Roll call taken: Councilman George Hults Yes, Councilman B. Welsh Yes, Councilman A. Bristol Yes, Councilman R. Neefe IV Yes, Councilman E. Neefe Yes, and Councilman T. Husson Yes. 6 Yes and 0 No

There is a House bill tax credit for Volunteer Fire Fighters, not mandatory.

The Eulalia Cemetery wants to thank you for the private donation.

MAYOR REPORT

There was brief discussion about the downtown buildings not all being handicap accessible.

There was brief discussion about the landline at the Borough Police Station being automatically transferred to 911 after four rings. No decision reached.

SOLICITOR REPORT

Nothing to report

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilman T. Husson stated residents have been shoveling of the Seventh St. Bridge.

Executive session called at 7:15pm

Executive session ended at 7:24pm

It was motioned by Councilman T. Husson, seconded by Councilman E. Neefe to accept the union contract as proposed. Roll call taken: Councilman George Hults Yes, Councilman B. Welsh Yes, Councilman A. Bristol Yes, Councilman R. Neefe IV Yes, Councilman E. Neefe Yes, and Councilman T. Husson Yes. 6 Yes and 0 No

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 7:26 pm

Respectfully submitted by,

Holly Hyde