

**COUDERSPORT BOROUGH COUNCIL  
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING  
OCTOBER 18, 2017  
6:30PM**

The Coudersport Borough Council held their regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, October 18, 2017 at the Coudersport Borough Maintenance Facility on Damascus Street.

Council President George Hults called the meeting to order at 6:32 pm and led all present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Also present were Mayor Whitman, Chief McClain, Beverly Morris, Solicitor Glassmire, Holly Hyde, Wayne Wentzel, Hannah Taylor, Tom Majot, Robert Wagner, Valerie Mosch, Muriel Pekarski, Todd Brown, Lonnie Jo Hynds, John Wright, Gary Gunzburger, Kim Kudrick, Don Kudrick, Andy Dubots, Christine Herzig, and Dolly Bretz.

**VISITOR REQUEST AND COMMENTS**

Robert Wagner stated his opinion about the arboretum and caboose.

Lonnie Jo Hynds stated that she has done her own research on the caboose after hearing talk in the town about it being sold.

John Wright asked Solicitor Glassmire if the Lion Club rail car was the Boroughs too or who is taking ownership of it. Solicitor Glassmire stated he would have to look into that as well. John Wright asked who brought the Caboose to the table and Solicitor explained Manager Morris brought it to him because it was in need of some upkeep.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

It was motioned by Councilman Todd Husson, seconded by Councilman Andy Bristol to approve the September 21, 2017 meeting minutes. Roll call taken: Councilman B. Welsh Yes, Councilman A. Bristol Yes, and Councilman T. Husson Yes, Councilman George Hults Yes, Councilman R. Neefe IV Yes and Gene Neefe Yes. 6 Yes and 0 No

**VOUCHER LIST**

General Fund \$150,160.00, Water Operating Fund \$23,223.65, Sewer Operating Fund \$32,280.35, Street Lighting Fund \$6,055.09, Recreation Fund \$5,899.91, Library Fund \$79.00, Act 13 Gas Well Impact Fund \$916.30. It was motioned by Councilman Todd Husson, seconded by Councilman Gene Neefe to approve the Voucher list as presented. Roll call taken: Councilman B. Welsh Yes, Councilman A. Bristol Yes, and Councilman T. Husson Yes,

Councilman George Hults Yes, Councilman R. Neefe IV Yes and Gene Neefe Yes. 6 Yes and 0 No

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

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Solicitor Glassmire went into great detail stating that the Caboose has been dedicated to the Arboretum and the Coudersport Borough has paid insurance on the caboose ever since it was placed on the property. Solicitor Glassmire would like a motion in place so if anything is to happen like theft or destruction of anything on the property by the Borough office then there will be no misunderstanding with the police and the Mayor.

It was motioned by Councilman Bryan Welsh, seconded by Councilman Eugene Neefe that while the general public continues to be invited to enjoy the arboretum area, any person or entity, who enters onto borough property, if they were to remove, desecrate, or otherwise tamper with the property or objects situated on borough property is hereby prohibited from entering upon either directly or indirectly onto borough property and is hereby considered and declared a trespasser, as advised by Solicitor Glassmire.

Councilman Todd Husson had discussion if this should be about all Borough property or just the Arboretum property.

Roll call taken: Councilman B. Welsh Yes, Councilman A. Bristol Yes, and Councilman T. Husson No, Councilman George Hults No, Councilman R. Neefe IV Yes and Gene Neefe Yes. 4 Yes and 2 No

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Resolution 2017-8 Elimination of the Police Pension Contributions**

It was motioned by Richard Neefe IV, seconded by Eugene Neefe to approve Resolution 2017-8 Elimination of the Police Pension Contributions plan for 2018. Roll call taken: Councilman B. Welsh Yes, Councilman A. Bristol Yes, and Councilman T. Husson Yes, Councilman George Hults Yes, Councilman R. Neefe IV Yes and Gene Neefe Yes. 6 Yes and 0 No

### **Runner's Club 5K**

It was motioned by Councilman Bryan Welsh, seconded by Councilman Andy Bristol to approve the Runner's Club to hold a 5K at CARP on October 21, 2017 from 9am – 12pm. Roll call taken: Councilman B. Welsh Yes, Councilman A. Bristol Yes, and Councilman T. Husson Yes, Councilman George Hults Yes, Councilman R. Neefe IV Yes and Gene Neefe Yes. 6 Yes and 0 No

## **MANAGERS REPORT**

CBA meeting is on October 19, 2017 at the Borough Maintenance building.

CAMA meeting is on October 23, 2017 at the Sewer plant.

JKLM stakeholder meeting will be held on November 2, 2017 at 2pm at the Coudersport Golf Course.

The Halloween Parade will be held on October 28, 2017

A Township Convention meeting will be held on October 28, 2017

There are PSAB webinars available if anyone is interested. Manger Morris can get a login set up for anyone interested.

Assessment Board of Appeals in regards to residents having their property reassessed. Councilman Todd Husson asked how much and if this will affect the Borough. Manager Morris stated this is about \$1200.

## **POLICE CHIEF REPORT**

Police Chief McClain stated the new car they are looking at is a Dodge Charger and would like to have this one unmarked.

Dolly Bretz and Muriel Pekarski asked about speeding on Beech St and Park Ave. Chief McClain explained the rules the police have to follow.

## **MAYOR REPORT**

Evacuation shelter will be in place and explained at next month's meeting.

Trick or Treat will be held October 31, 2017 at 6pm till dark.

Trunk or Treat will be held at the same place as last year and will start a 5:30pm till 6pm. There will be no registration fee.

Lions club will be collecting eye glasses during trunk or treat.

There will BINGO night that will be held at CVFD Training Center, all proceeds will benefit Coudersport Sr. Center October 28, 2017 at 5pm. Doors will open at 3pm first game will be called at 5pm. There will be 50/50 Raffle, Bake Sale and door prizes along with light refreshments.

## **SOLICITOR REPORT**

Nothing further to report

## **PROPERTY, EQUIPMENT**

Hawbakkers will be milling on Ross St on Friday and paving on Saturday.

Main Street project is closing down and they will be paving next Monday and Tuesday and East Second St. will be back open. The bridge approach may not be completed until next year. All the work will be depending on weather.

Mitchell Levee is completed LaForge need to finish the cleanup work and have moved on to CARP levee.

## **RECREATION/LIBRARY**

The Boys and Girls Club have asked to do a Knockerball fundraiser at CARP behind the tennis courts on October 20, 2018.

## **FINANCE & ORDINANCE**

2018 Proposed Budget

2018 Fireman Contract

## **COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Councilman Todd Husson asked if Manger Morris had contacted an Environmental Engineer. Manager Morris stated she has talked to Lee Zeeger of CES Engineering and he had provided good advice and some additional Engineers that have handled waste water treatment in the past.

A resident has asked for there to be a street light placed at the corner of Larch Street and South Main St. Manager will look into the street light.

Councilman Bryan Welsh has a fracking document if anyone is interested in reading over it. Solicitor Glassmire asked for an email to his office.

Councilman Husson asked Hannah Taylor if she had any questions or wanted to report on something. She stated that she has asked the other kids in her classes if they knew what an Arboretum was. She had some that stated they wanted to do research and get back with her and a lot stated they didn't know.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to Adjourn 7:17pm

Respectfully Submitted by,

