

**COUDERSPORT BOROUGH COUNCIL
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
AUGUST 19, 2020
6:30PM**

The Coudersport Borough Council held its regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, August 19, 2020 was held at the Coudersport Borough Maintenance Facility on Damascus Street.

ROLL CALL

Present were Council members George Hults, Wayne Hathaway, Todd Husson, Brian Ruane, Gary Walaski, and Marty Fry.

Also present were Mayor Andy Dubots, Officer Collins, Manager Beverly Morris, Solicitor Glassmire, Hailey Kines, Holly Hyde, Todd Brown, Sergeant Mike Murray, Corporal Peters, Kelly Bruno, Nicole Green, Steve Kelley and others from the ATV Club.

Mayor Dubots swore in our new Junior Councilman Silas Morley.

VISITOR REQUEST AND COMMENTS

Steve Kelley is with the ATV club and was present to ask for Council to make changes to the Ordinance to allow ATV and UTVs to drive on Borough Streets.

The Ordinance currently prohibits the use of a ATV and UTV in the Borough. The ATV club has about 200 members and they would provide stickers to all the members. They all have to be licensed, registered and be wearing a helmet. This has been referred to the Ordinance committee.

Kelly Bruno and Nicole Green were present on behalf of the Chamber of Commerce. They are asking for approval to have Christmas in Small Town sidewalk sales, similar to Dickens Christmas that is held in Wellsboro, PA. They are requesting that First Street be closed on the East and West Side of town on Saturday November 28, 2020 from 10am-3pm. After discussion with Council all members expressed that it is a great idea, but just not after this year.

Councilman Husson expressed that he wants to keep the community, as safe as possible and really does not want to bring anyone from other areas until the pandemic is resolved.

Coudersport based Pennsylvania State Police Sergeant Mike Murray and Corporal Peters were present to answer any questions that Council would have for them. They have been attending meetings in surrounding townships and boroughs. Sergeant Murray reported 67 calls in the Borough that have been assisted by PSP or handled by them since the beginning of the year.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was motioned by Councilman Hults, seconded by Councilman Fry to approve the July 15, 2020 minutes. Roll Call vote taken: Councilman Husson Yes, Councilman Hathaway Yes,

Councilman Fry Yes, Councilman Hults Yes, Councilman Walaski Yes, and Councilman Ruane Yes. 6 Yes and 0 No

VOUCHER LIST

It was motioned by Councilman Hults, seconded by Councilman Walaski to approve the voucher list: General Fund \$103,626.57, Water Operating \$37,508.31, Sewer Operating Fund \$46,962.10, Capital Reserve Fund \$1,641.00, Street Lighting Fund \$ 2,754.37, Fire Protection Fund \$1,172.42, Recreation Fund \$21,716.72, Library Fund \$50.00, Swimming Pool Fund \$ 612.00, and Act 13 Gas Well Impact Fund \$ 5,502.08 Roll Call vote taken: Councilman Husson Yes, Councilman Hathaway Yes, Councilman Fry Yes, Councilman Hults Yes, Councilman Walaski Yes, and Councilman Ruane Yes. 6 Yes and 0 No

REPORTS RECEIVED: police, meeting notes, voucher list, fund balance, treasures report

OLD BUSINESS

It was motioned by Councilman Hults, seconded by Councilman Walaski to approve the sidewalk agreements. Roll Call vote taken: Councilman Husson Yes, Councilman Hathaway Yes, Councilman Fry Yes, Councilman Hults Yes, Councilman Walaski Yes, and Councilman Ruane Yes. 6 Yes and 0 No

NEW BUSINESS

Anti Skid Advertisement for 2021

It was motioned by Councilman Walaski, seconded by Councilman Husson to approve the advertisement for Anti Skid for 2021. Roll Call vote taken: Councilman Husson Yes, Councilman Hathaway Yes, Councilman Fry Yes, Councilman Hults Yes, Councilman Walaski Yes, and Councilman Ruane Yes. 6 Yes and 0 No

RESOLUTION 2020-5 COUNTY AID APPLICATION

It was motioned by Councilman Fry, seconded by Councilman Ruane to approve Resolution 2020-5 for County Aid in the amount of \$ 5,302.70. Roll Call vote taken: Councilman Husson Yes, Councilman Hathaway Yes, Councilman Fry Yes, Councilman Hults Yes, Councilman Walaski Yes, and Councilman Ruane Yes. 6 Yes and 0 No

MANAGERS REPORT

Coudersport Borough Authority monthly meeting will be held on August 20, 2020.

Coudersport Area Municipal Authority will be held on August 24, 2020.

POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT

Officer Seipp is requesting to purchase his gun that he has carried during his time with Coudersport Borough. Purchase value is \$300 and Officer Seipp will have to cover the expense for the transfer of the gun. It was motioned by Councilman Fry, seconded by Councilman Husson to allow Officer Seipp to purchase the gun from the Borough in the amount of \$300 and having Officer Seipp cover all expenses for the transfer of the gun. Roll Call vote taken: Councilman Husson Yes, Councilman Hathaway Yes, Councilman Fry Yes, Councilman Hults Yes, Councilman Walaski Yes, and Councilman Ruane Yes. 6 Yes and 0 No

MAYOR DUBOTS REPORT

Nothing to report at this time.

SOLICITOR REPORT

There are various projects in the works.

PERSONNEL / POLICE

Resignation from Officer Seipp

It was motioned by Councilman Hults, seconded by Councilman Ruane to accept the resignation from Officer Seipp. Roll Call vote taken: Councilman Husson Yes, Councilman Hathaway Yes, Councilman Fry Yes, Councilman Hults Yes, Councilman Walaski Yes, and Councilman Ruane Yes. 6 Yes and 0 No

It was motioned by Councilman Husson, seconded by Councilman Ruane to ratify the advertisement for up to 2 part time Police Officers. Roll Call vote taken: Councilman Husson Yes, Councilman Hathaway Yes, Councilman Fry Yes, Councilman Hults Yes, Councilman Walaski Yes, and Councilman Ruane Yes. 6 Yes and 0 No

RECREATION/LIBRARY

Deb Tubbs Concessionaire at the pool will have her lease for 2020 reduced to \$583.00. It was motioned by Councilman Husson, seconded by Councilman Walaski to approve the reduction for the 2020 pool season in the amount of \$583.00. Roll Call vote taken: Councilman Husson Yes, Councilman Hathaway Yes, Councilman Fry Yes, Councilman Hults Yes, Councilman Walaski Yes, and Councilman Ruane Yes. 6 Yes and 0 No

FINANCE & ORDINANCE

2021 MMO

The 2021 Minimum Municipal Obligation for the Police Pension is in the amount of \$33,620.00, and the non-uniform pension is in the amount of \$ 78,503.00.

2019 AUDIT

It was motioned by Councilman Hults, seconded by Councilman Walaski to accept and authorize publication of the 2019 Audit. Roll Call vote taken: Councilman Husson Yes, Councilman Hathaway Yes, Councilman Fry Yes, Councilman Hults Yes, Councilman Walaski Yes, and Councilman Ruane Yes. 6 Yes and 0 No

MEDIA QUESTIONS

Hailey Kines asked Solicitor Glassmire to correct the Sunshine Act for executive session that relates to litigation. Solicitor Glassmire stated in the last meeting when the executive session was called there needed to be more wording like what the litigation was entailing.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilman Husson called executive session at 7:34 pm to discuss a personnel matter with the Police Department.

Executive session ended at 7:50pm with no decisions reached.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to Adjourn 7:51 pm

Respectfully Submitted by,

Holly Hyde