

**COUDERSPORT BOROUGH COUNCIL
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
OCTOBER 21, 2020
6:30PM**

The Coudersport Borough Council held its regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, October 21, 2020 was held at the Coudersport Borough Maintenance Facility on Damascus Street.

ROLL CALL

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

Also present were Mayor Andy Dubots, Chief McClain, Manager Beverly Morris, Solicitor Glassmire, Hailey Kines, Holly Hyde, Todd Brown, Steve Kelley, Ashley Simar, Bryan Phelps, Ken Johnson, Henry Sorgen, Dylan Kelley, Nicole Larsen, Brian Simar, Jake Taylor, Bradley Smith, Kevin Saulter, Braden Haverly, Brittany Stoddard, and Mason Clark.

ATV AND UTV PUBLIC HEARING

Bryan Phelps was present to speak on allowing the ATV and UTV onto all Borough Streets. He stated Sweden Township has their streets open by an ordinance.

Ken Johnson is for having the Borough Streets open to the ATVs and UTV.

Steve Kelley is the president of the Potter County ATV & UTV club and also a lifetime member of the community. The Potter County ATV club stands for safe legal riding opportunities and Steve was here tonight to express his interest and the clubs interest on working with the Council to adopt a safe friendly ordinance to allow access to the Borough Streets to get in and out of town. He feels it is acceptable to promote safety and education.

Henry Sorgen is the president of the Central ATV club. He also had a North Central PA map of all the trails and explained that if Council were to approve the ordinance then they would pay for the signage but if we charged for the ATV and UTV to use Borough Streets then the signage charge would be on the Borough.

Dylan Kelley was present to express the interest from the younger generation to pass the ordinance.

Nicole Larsen is in support of placing an ordinance for ATV and UTV to be allowed on Borough Streets.

Brian Simar is all for an ordinance and stated it's not a privilege it's a right. He also stated if anyone has questions to let him know.

Jake Taylor and Megan Taylor sent a email stating they were in favor for the ordinance.

Brad Smith from Oswayo, but was raised in Coudersport, and is in favor of an ordinance.

Kevin Saulter is the Sweden Valley Supervisor and stated it would help Coudersport by drawing more hunters to the camps. Kevin feels this would help our local businesses out.

Ashley Simar has signatures from local residents and businesses that are in favor of passing this ordinance.

Braden Heverly lives on Allegany Avenue and is all for the opening of the Borough Streets.

Brittany Staddard moved to Coudersport from Port Allegany a year ago and would like Council to pass the ordinance for ATV and UTV access on Borough Streets.

Mason Clark lives in Austin but was raised in Coudersport and would like this to be passed.

Council appreciates everyone who took time out of there day to come to the meeting and voice their opinions. This will be referred to the committee and will be presented at next months meeting.

CALLED THE REGULAR MEETING TO ORDER

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was motioned by Councilman Hults, seconded by Councilman Fry to approve the September 16, 2020 minutes. Roll Call vote taken: Councilman Husson Yes, Councilman Hathaway Yes, Councilman Fry Yes, Councilman Hults Yes, and Councilman Walaski Yes. 5 Yes and 0 No

VOUCHER LIST

It was motioned by Councilman Hults, seconded by Councilman Walaski to approve the voucher list: General Fund \$215,008.07, Water Operating \$44,077.83, Sewer Operating Fund \$61,740.59, Street Lighting Find \$ 2,772.70, Fire Protection Fund \$1,172.42, Recreation Fund \$9,742.34, Library Fund \$50.00, and Swimming Pool Fund \$ 596.70. Roll Call vote taken: Councilman Husson Yes, Councilman Hathaway Yes, Councilman Fry Yes, Councilman Hults Yes, and Councilman Walaski Yes. 5 Yes and 0 No

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

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION 2020-7 Elimination of contributions to police pension

It was motioned by Councilman Fry, seconded by Councilman Walaski to approve Resolution 2020-7 to eliminate contributions to the police pension. Roll Call vote taken: Councilman Husson Yes, Councilman Hathaway Yes, Councilman Fry Yes, Councilman Hults Yes, and Councilman Walaski Yes. 5 Yes and 0 No

The Arboretum would like to construct a band stand for their music in the arboretum in the summer time.

MANAGERS REPORT

Coudersport Borough Authority monthly meeting was held on October 15, 2020.

Coudersport Area Municipal Authority will be held on October 26, 2020.

We have received a report of military service tax exemption for Ronald Schneck at 30 Avenue A.

Manager Morris went to a PSAB board of directors meeting this past week.

POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT

Training of the new officers is going very well.

MAYOR DUBOTS REPORT

Mayor Dubots states he has been doing zoom meetings through PSAB.

JR. COUNCILMAN

Silas Morley asked if there was any more discussion on the speed bump at CARP. This has been referred to the recreation committee and will be completed in the spring.

SOLICITOR REPORT

Nothing to report

PERSONNEL / POLICE

Heath Evingham will be returning to work November 2, 2020 with no restrictions.

PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT

Old Police vehicle

It was motioned by Councilman Hults, seconded by Councilman Walaski to have everyone interested resubmit their bids. Roll Call vote taken: Councilman Husson Yes, Councilman Hathaway Yes, Councilman Fry Yes, Councilman Hults Yes, and Councilman Walaski Yes. 5 Yes and 0 No

RECREATION AND LIBRARY

It will cost \$4000 to resurface the basketball court CARP.

Fence will need to be replaced and the Manager has asked the school district to help with costs and to not have anyone throwing discus into the fence.

FINANCE & ORDINANCE

2021 Budget and the 2021 Fire Contract is available to be reviewed.

Council would like to request financial reports from Ambulance Association and the library.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to Adjourn 7:40 pm

Respectfully Submitted by,

Holly Hyde