

**COUDERSPORT BOROUGH COUNCIL
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
AUGUST 17, 2016
6:30PM**

The Coudersport Borough Council held their regular monthly meeting on Wednesday July 20, 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 Richard Neefe IV, Gene Neefe, Bryan Welsh, George Hults, and Andy Bristol.

Also present were Wayne Hathaway, Todd Brown, Jason Holmberg, Steve Erway, Kelly Stemcosky, Renee McClain, Gary Gunzburger, Wayne Wentzel, Kim Kudrick, Marty Fry, Jack Halloran, and Mike Kallenborn.

VISITORS REQUEST AND COMMENTS

Steve Erway representing Eulalia Cemetery

Steve handed out pamphlets on Municipalities helping out cemeteries. He would like to see the Eulalia cemetery stay afloat and spoke on cemetery taxes. He is looking at about \$10,000 that would cover everything but even \$5,000 would at least cover maintenance and insurance. Council President G. Hults would like to turn it over to the Finance & Ordinance Committee and possibly have a meeting with the representatives of the Cemetery board.

Wayne Wentzel

Wayne is here on behalf of the Arboretum Committee that just met prior to the Council meeting. The arboretum committee agrees with the Council that they would like to go with option 1. Kudrick/ Majot property, 2. Potter lands proposal and last being do nothing.

Jack Halloran was present asking for a break in water/sewer on 201 North Main St. Store. Manager Morris referred him to come to the Coudersport Borough Authority and the Coudersport Municipal Authority meetings.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was motioned by Councilman E. Neefe, seconded by Councilman R. Neefe IV to approve the July 20, 2016 and special meeting held August 3, 2016 meeting minutes as presented. Roll call

taken: Councilman B. Welsh Yes, Councilman A. Bristol Yes, Councilman R. Neefe IV Yes, Councilman E. Neefe Yes, and Councilman G. Hults Yes. 5 Yes and 0 No

VOUCHER LIST

General Fund \$63,803.45, Water Operating Fund \$26,459.10, Sewer Operating Fund \$35,192.20, Capital Reserve Fund \$72,049.00, Fire Protection Fund \$ 5,695.50, Street Lighting Fund \$3,596.82, and Recreation Fund \$21,708.14. It was motioned by Councilman A. Bristol, seconded by Councilman E. Neefe to approve the Voucher list as presented. Roll call taken: Councilman B. Welsh Yes, Councilman A. Bristol Yes, Councilman R. Neefe IV Yes, Councilman E. Neefe Yes, and Councilman G. Hults Yes. 5 Yes and 0 No

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

OLD BUSINESS

Kudrick/ Majot Land swap

Jason Holmberg asked what the current standing situation for the Potter lands proposal.

Marty Fry wants it validated that Potter lands have an existing agreement with Sheetz.

There was more discussion on this subject.

It was motioned by Councilman E. Neefe, seconded by Councilman B. Welsh that Council intension is to proceed with Potter lands proposal if the Kudrick proposal is side lined. Roll call taken: Councilman B. Welsh Yes, Councilman A. Bristol Yes, Councilman R. Neefe IV No, Councilman E. Neefe Yes, and Councilman G. Hults No. 3 Yes and 2 No

Wayne Hathaway stated after being at the special meeting in August that the whole land swap is pretty simple. Council cannot make any movement till Kudrick/ Majot connect with DEP and Phase II is completed to see if the land is environmentally safe.

Seeley subdivision Project # 8014 FINAL

At the special meeting held on August 3, 2016 Kyle Maxon presented a subdivision on North St. and Ellison Ave. It was approved by Council for the Seeley subdivision per Solicitor review. It has been reviewed by Solicitor and all looks good. It just needs to have proper signatures.

NEW BUSINESS

Levee Bids for phase 3 and phase 4

The lowest bid received by the Engineer was LaForge Excavating in the amounts of

\$111,000 for Phase 3 Mitchell park

\$280,500 for Phase 4 Reconstruction of the debris basin

All bids have been reviewed and approved by the engineer. DEP will be furnishing an inspector for this project at no cost to the Coudersport Borough.

It was motioned by Councilman B. Welsh, seconded by Councilman E. Neefe to accept LaForge Excavating bid for Phase 3 & 4. Roll call taken: Councilman B. Welsh Yes, Councilman A. Bristol Yes, Councilman R. Neefe IV Yes, Councilman E. Neefe Yes, and Councilman G. Hults Yes. 5 Yes and 0 No

Manager Morris has talked with Glen Dunn and he has submitted a letter to PEMA (Pennsylvania Emergency Management Association) for a Small water/sewer grant to help with Phase 2.

ANTI SKID

It was motioned by Councilman A. Bristol, seconded by Councilman R. Neefe IV to approve for the advertisement for Anti skid. Roll call taken: Councilman B. Welsh Yes, Councilman A. Bristol Yes, Councilman R. Neefe IV Yes, Councilman E. Neefe Yes, and Councilman G. Hults Yes. 5 Yes and 0 No

MANAGER'S REPORT

We will be hosting the McWaPEC dinner on September 22, 2016 at the American Legion.

Manager Morris is requesting permission to attend the PSAB fall leadership conference on October 14-16, 2016 the cost is \$195 for the conference and \$300 to \$400 for the hotel. Our Chief McClain will also be there conducting a seminar on Fighting the Drug War in PA Communities.

It was motioned by Councilman R. Neefe IV, seconded by Councilman A. Bristol to approve the Managers request to attend the PSAB Fall Leadership Conference on Oct. 14-16, 2016. Roll call taken: Councilman B. Welsh Yes, Councilman A. Bristol Yes, Councilman R. Neefe IV Yes, Councilman E. Neefe Yes, and Councilman G. Hults Yes. 5 Yes and 0 No

POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT

Falling leaves festival on September 30, and October 1, 2016 will be manned by our Borough Police Officers and other Police Officers from surrounding areas. The Coudersport Borough Police and Attorneys office would like to co-sponsor the meal for the Officers. It was motioned by Councilman E. Neefe, seconded by Councilman A. Bristol to approve the cosponsoring for

the officers. Roll call taken: Councilman B. Welsh Yes, Councilman A. Bristol Yes, Councilman R. Neeff IV Yes, Councilman E. Neeff Yes, and Councilman G. Hulst Yes. 5 Yes and 0 No

MAYORS REPORT

Mayor Whitman will be conducting a wedding on September 10, 2016

The bell company is working on the striker for the County bell at the courthouse.

Mayor Whitman has set up a benefit for the Senior Citizens Center on October 22, 2016 It's called A Tribute to Elvis. Please purchase a ticket for \$10, all proceeds go to the Senior Citizens Center.

SOLICITOR REPORT

Nothing to report at this time

UTILITIES, STREETS, BRIDGES, TREES

Manager Morris received a phone call from Hawbakkers and they are looking at starting work on the Main Street Project in 2 to 3 weeks.

PROPERTY, EQUIPMENT

We will be receiving bids on the GMC Truck and the Van, with the intention to accept or reject any and all bids.

RECREATION/LIBRARY

Was planning on sealing the basketball courts this year but it will not be done because of the limited funding in recreation this year.

FINANCE & ORDINANCE

Gary Buchsen has requested that his property on North Main St be re-zoned to Commercial. It has been zoned as residential. This will be handed to the Finance & Ordinance committee to be looked over then brought back to next month's meeting. There is some other areas that will be looked at as well so everything can be done at once.

The Historical Sign Ordinance has been agreed with the recommendations and will be handed to Solicitor Glassmire for the proper wording for the Ordinance.

2017 MMO

The 2017 Minimum Municipal Obligation for the Police Pension in the amount of \$35,118, and the non-uniform pension in the amount of \$ 135,185.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 7:38pm

Respectfully submitted by,

Holly Hyde