

**COUDERSPORT BOROUGH COUNCIL
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
FEBRUARY 15, 2017
6:30PM**

The Coudersport Borough Council held their regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, February 15, 2017 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 Joe Ayers, Mandy Sillick, Holly Mauser, Wasyl Mauser, Jen Haskins, April Castano, Heather Sherry, Megan Taylor, Peggy Morgart, Brenda Rudd, Donny Rudd, Bridget Dubots, Katie Genzel, Nick Hartranft, Wayne Hathaway, Wayne Wentzel, Officer Seipp, Beverly Morris, Mayor Whitman, Holly Hyde, and Solicitor Glassmire.

VISITOR REQUEST AND COMMENTS

Mr. Mauser and Holly Mauser were present to make Council aware of the charges he is being charged for permits through Erb Inspections for the Old Hickory project. Mr. Mauser has been doing construction work in the Lehigh Valley area for several years and has never run into this high of a permit cost before. Mr. Mauser was given 2 others that the Borough has used in the past Penn Safe, and Bureau Veritas to check with. He has contacted them and Bureau Veritas states they do not come this way anymore and Penn Safe want Mr. Mauser to help him get some other jobs in the area. Solicitor Glassmire will take this under advisement.

GODS COUNTRY MARATHON

Joe Ayers was present to cover the God's Country Marathon and Half Marathon will be changed do to the road construction. Manager Morris and Joe will be meeting with the school to finalize the route.

POOL

Todd Husson addressed and explained what has been happening with the Coudersport Borough Pool. Councilman Husson stated that Council has voted to Retro fit the pool which means put a pool inside the existing pool. They have also agreed to apply for a DCNR grant but we will need to get matching funds in the amount of \$250,000. There was a SOAP fund that was donated and fund raised years ago in the amount of \$24,000. If anyone is interested in donating please put a note on it or add a letter with it so we can keep track of the donations. If we are unable to get the

matching funds the money will be refunded to the donors. The matching funds will need to be available by April 1, 2017 when the grant is submitted. This does mean no pool for the summer of 2017. Councilman Husson stated if there are any questions he has provided an email and his number.

Peggy Morgart were present to ask Council to put a stop sign at the corners of North West St and East Second St. Manager Morris states there will be stop signs in place during constructions phase. This will be looked into adding additional stop signs in this area to slow down people trying to race through the red light.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was motioned by Councilman Todd Husson, seconded by Councilman Rich Neffe IV to approve the January 18, 2017 meeting minutes as amended. 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

VOUCHER LIST

General Fund \$88,414.61, Water Operating Fund \$18,186.01, Sewer Operating Fund \$29,688.28, Fire Protection Fund \$3,650.00, Street Lighting Fund \$3,248.80, Highway Aid Fund \$1,519.73, Library Fund \$ 75.00, and Recreation Fund \$1,703.13. It was motioned by Councilman E. Neefe, seconded by Councilman R. Neefe IV 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

Historical District Sign Ordinance change and Buchsen Zoning

It was motioned by Councilman B. Welsh, seconded by Councilman T. Husson to adopt Ordinance #617 Historical District Sign Ordinance change and Buchsen Zoning. Roll call taken: Councilman George Hults No, Councilman B. Welsh Yes, Councilman A. Bristol Yes, Councilman R. Neefe IV Yes, Councilman E. Neefe Yes, and Councilman T. Husson Yes. 5 Yes and 1 No

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION 2017-3

RESOLUTION OF CONCURRENCE TO THE CERTIFICATION OF TOURIST PROMOTION AGENCY FOR POTTER COUNTY

It was motioned by Councilman A. Bristol, seconded by Councilman E. Neefe to approve Resolution 2017-3 the Certification of tourist promotion agency for Potter County. 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 St. Eulalia's Community Festival is requesting to close South Main Street and South East Street and to hang banners for July 7th & 8th, 2017. It was motioned by Councilman E. Neefe, seconded by Councilman A. Bristol to approve the Community Festival request to close streets and hang banners. 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

Councilman George Hults mentioned that our crew hangs many banners throughout the year and he feels there should be a charge. Refer to the Ordinance Committee to meet and report back at the next month's meeting.

MANAGERS REPORT

EESTA MEETING REP. Marty Causer

JKLM stakeholders meeting will be held on February 23, 2017 at the golf course.

The Tioga County NIMS Training will be held on February 21,22,23, 2017 at no cost in Wellsboro.

McWaPec Meeting will be held in Youngsville on February 23, 2017

Fireman's Appreciation Dinner will be held on April 8, 2017

Source Water Protection have new rules and regulation

POLICE CHIEF REPORT

The police computers and printers are installed in the vehicles. The County paid \$1200 of the \$1800. Officer Seipp stated it's really nice to be able to run their own plates and print the citations.

MAYOR REPORT

Mayor Whitman will be recognizing two Eagle Scouts on February 26, 2017

Snow Fest is still a go with or without snow on February 25, 2017

SOLICITOR REPORT

Lots of projects in the works

UTILITIES, STREETS, BRIDGES, TREES

The Dirt and Gravel Road application for West Second Street has been looked at with Chris Ernst from E & M Engineering. Manager Morris will need approval of correct signatures to submit the Application in the amount of \$75,000.

It was motioned by Councilman B. Welsh, seconded by Councilman A. Bristol to authorize President George Hults to sign the application. 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

PROPERTY, EQUIPMENT

There will be a Flood Channel Workshop held in State College DEP will be paying for the room and board on April 11 & 12, 2017.

FINANCE & ORDINANCE

2016 Audit engagement letter

Calliari & Maholick Company will be charging us the same amount as last year.

Penn Dot Route Six road construction

Hawbaker's have stated they will be starting the last week of March 2017 and detours will be started April 1, 2017. They will be working on one lane from Sheetz to red light.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn by Councilman B. Welsh, seconded by Councilman A. Bristol at 8.02 pm

Respectfully submitted by,

Holly Hyde

Recording Secretary

