

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Pres. Bodish.

In attendance were Bodish, Dreisbach, Eisenhauer, Kern, Sodl, Mayor Burkner, Molitoris, Luckenbach, Genovese and Chief Bechtel.

Public Works Director Boyle, BCO Helman and EMA Coordinator Grim were absent.

Pres. Bodish led pledge of allegiance:

Hearing of person: N/A

PWD Boyle – Absent no report

BCO Helman- Helman was absent Bachman read report. Month of July 2022- 15 permits with a total of \$1,185.00.

EMA Grim- absent

Chief Genovese reported 223 calls for July, 2022 with 7 arrests, 2 public drunkenness, 1 disorderly conduct, 1 crime trespass, 2 unreasonable noise and 1 harassment. 20 traffic arrest for the month, 15 written warning issued and 19 borough parking tickets. Eisenhauer asked how does that compare to the year before? Chief replied that the numbers are about the same.

Chief Bechtel reported –19 incidents – total incidents for the year 166. Normal operations. Air cascade from the Community Block grant was installed and has been used. Chief Bechtel is requested to do a coin toss on September 4<sup>th</sup>. On July 30<sup>th</sup> there was training for RTF at Springhouse Middle School and live burn.

Bachman – Received a phone call from Northampton County Sheriff Department requesting to use the gym at no charge for upcoming training for the department. They have the liability insurance and it would be given to the borough if they would be approved. Bachman read a letter from the Coplay Post Office thanking them for retrieving the keys that were dropped in the storm drain. Post Office stated they were kind and courteous.

Discussions- Nothing

Mayor- There was a park bench purchased for Mr. John Schreiner by the Loy family. There will be a dedication of Mr. Schreiner at the plaza on August 3<sup>rd</sup> at the plaza. The dedication should be at 7 PM.

Dreisbach- Nothing to report

Sodl –Mr. Sodl said if he seems loud and course it is because he likes to get things out in the open inside of rumors flying around. Sodl thanked the Police Department and the Fire Department for their services. Mr. Sodl stated this would be Chief Genovese last meeting he will be attending before his retirement. He said there were a lot of times we didn't see eye to eye and that's ok. He wished Chief Genovese good luck in his retirement. Sodl stated that at the end of the meeting he would like Mayor Burkner, Kern, Eisenhauer and Sodl to set up a meeting one day this week to go over the resumes they have received for the Police Chief position. Sodl would like to have something in place early September.

Molitoris- Molitoris stated they will start movie night a ½ hour earlier maybe this way more people will attend and stay till the end of the movie. Park & Rec would like to have another free swim before the movie as long as there is coverage for the pool. We also discussed to have a chili contest when the craft fair is on October 2<sup>nd</sup> at the Pavilion. He also proposed paying the lifeguards an amount equal to time & a half for hours they work over their scheduled/normal work hours. Coplay Sports would like to have a movie night on a Saturday in September and October no date has been given yet for these events.

Eisenhauer

Finance- Eisenhauer said she would like everyone to start on their budget for 2023. She would like drafts returned to her by September 30<sup>th</sup>. We can not wait this year we need to be ahead of schedule and not last minute. Eisenhauer said she needs everyone to think of what if's outside of the budget. She said the borough needs to tighten up the budget. Mr. Kern asked when doing the budget does it start at zero budget or does the department just transfer the budget from the year before.

Library summer program is coming to an end, this Saturday there will be reptiles at the library as part of the summer reading program.

Luckenbach- Nothing to report at this time.

Kern- Mr. Kern spoke about the LSA Grant #2 that he has got an extension on the grant and will need to make a decision at next weeks regular meeting. The chooses the borough will have a 1.) reduce the scope of work just to the grant amount of \$30,774, 2.) reduce the scope of work to the grant amount and contribute in some match or 3.) keep the full scale in which the borough will need to provide \$66,141 in matching funds. The Parkway Playground is complete and the Tot-Lot will begin in fall. Mr. Sodl expressed his concern that this is not a value for the courts to the borough. There are more pressing things the borough needs to take care of. Mr. Kern also stated that there is a capital loan the borough may apply for which they have not. President Bodish and Sodl stated the council was told they could not use the capital loan against the Public Works building per Grant Writer Vito. Kern stated we have been sitting on a building at Cherry Street and have done nothing with it. He suggested to sell the borough building on South 4<sup>th</sup> Street and take a capital loan and use the building on Cherry Street for administration and the police station.

Bodish – Stated there was no report for Public Works Director Boyle since he is on vacation. Normal operations under Public Works. No changes to sanitation or recycling. President Bodish reminded everyone that there are bins outside the public works building gate for people to drop off their grass clipping only, NO YARD WASTE.

Hearing of Persons Present: N/A

At Regular Meeting:

Approve free swim for children 12 and under from 5PM to 7PM on movie night August 18<sup>th</sup> as long as there is lifeguard coverage

Approve Coplay Sports to have a movie night on a Saturday in September and one in October (no date picked yet)

Approve to have a chili contest during the craft fair on Sunday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> at the Coplay Pavilion

Approve to propose paying the lifeguards an amount equal to time & a half for hours they work over their scheduled / normal work hours

Approve the Coplay Fire Department to host a coin toss on September 4<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at 2<sup>nd</sup> and Chestnut Street.

Approve Northampton County Sheriffs Development to use the gym for training at no charge. They will have a certificate of liability for the borough.

As there was no further business, motion to adjourn to executive session for discussion of personnel by Luckenbach, second by Kern at 8:15 PM. Meeting will not reconvene due to no further discussion. Next regular meeting scheduled for Tuesday, August 9<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at 7 PM.