

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

In attendance were Bodish, Burkner, Eisenhauer, Luckenbach, Kern, Sodl, PWD Boyle, Molitoris, Mayor Molitoris and Chief Genovese, BCO Helman and Chief Bechtel.

EMA Coordinator Grim was absent.

Pres. Bodish led pledge of allegiance:

Hearing of persons present:

Mr. Craig Deutsch asked council if his paperwork for 23 S.5th Street was approved with the Zoning Board why he is unable to start his project. President Bodish said it was to be discussed in executive session with paper work that was received.

PWD Boyle – Submitted completed jobs for January, and projected jobs for February along with routine sanitation, routine building maintenance, and routine street maintenance. Boyle reported year-end report for 2019. Boyle also submitted a report of needs for 2020 pertaining to borough building and other infrastructure.

BCO Helman –41 permits for the month of January 2020 amount received was \$3,331.50

Grim – Absent

Chief Genovese- 200 incidents, 1- disturbance, 1- trespass, 1-computer crime. Chief Genovese also submitted year -end report for 2019.

Chief Bechtel –reported 116 incidents in 2019. The fire department has 5 new members, one of the new members is a paramedic and one is an EMT. One firefighter passed the PA Basic Vehicle Rescue test. January 2020 there was 6 incidents which consisted of standby at Northampton Fire Department, CO alarm, MVA with injuries, traffic control in North Catasauqua, standby at North Catasauqua Fire Department and AFA with Catasauqua fire.

Bachman – Read letter from Melody Faisetty stating that she is thankful Coplay Borough decided to continue to display the nativity scene. She is also grateful that St. Peter's Roman Catholic Church provided the space for this beautiful display. The Pediatric Cancer Foundation of the Lehigh Valley is hosting its 11th annual walk, has asked council to waive the fee for the pavilion on April 15, 2020 and they would also like permission to plant a tree in the park to honor and memorialize the Lehigh Valley children who has died from pediatric cancer. Bachman reported that the Saylor Park, Police Pension and payroll account have been closed. Money was sent back to Commonwealth of PA for the Saylor Park grant council has decided not to move forward with project. Per Capita survey is 45% percent completed, Benson is still reaching out to owners that have rentals. The 2018 audit is complete.

Hearing of person present-

Discussion of Problems/matters –

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Approve Christopher Hechler for full time Sanitation laborer

Approve Ordinance 841 to update the International Property Maintenance Code to 2016.

Approve new A/C unit for the Police Station.

Approve the Pediatric Cancer Foundation of the Lehigh Valley for the fee to be waived for the pavilion rental on April 15 and to plant a tree at the park for the children who lost their lives to cancer.

Mayor- Nothing at this time.

Sodl – Thanked Police, Fire Department and Public works for job well done. Sodl also spoke that it is time to replace one of the older vehicles in the police fleet. The vehicle would be purchased under the Costar agreement. Sodl said the fire department has 5 new members and are waiting on 2 more.

Molitoris- Reported that he is waiting for proposals on the audio system for Council Chambers, he has had three companies come to give quotes on the system. Molitoris has reviewed the proposal for the new A/C and has approved the quote that we have received.

Burker- Reported that Park & Rec spoke with The American Legion, Larry, about the insurance on the field and has no response on them obtaining the insurance. Council has given them till the end of February to resolve the issue. Burker also reported that he has had some interest from a vendor in Catasauqua to rent the concession stand for the pool season.

Eisenhauer- Concord Financial has been contacted to set up a meeting with finance . Eisenhauer also stated that RJ Hall has been contacted to set up a meeting in April for the police pension.

Library – The library will be hosting a public presentation on Medicare on March 11th at 1 PM. The library will be closed on Presidents Day.

Bodish – Thanked Public Works, Fire Department and Police for job well. Normal operations for garbage and recycling for the month of February.

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Regular Meeting February 11, 2020 at 7:00 PM

Workshop Meeting March 3, 2020 at 7:00 PM

Regular Meeting March 10 at 7:00 PM