October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2022 101<sup>st</sup> Council

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

In attendance were Bodish, Dreisbach, Eisenhauer, Kern, Sodl, Mayor Burker, Boyle, Molitoris, and Luckenbach.

BCO Helman, Chief Bechtel and EMA Grim were absent.

Pres. Bodish led pledge of allegiance:

Hearing of Person:

Anne – questioned the leaf collection vs yard waste, to consider picking up yard waste up till later in the year.

PWD Boyle - Reported normal operation for the Public Works Department. Boyle also stated he would like to thank President Bodish for all his hard work with the drywall at the new Public Works building.

BCO Helman - absent-Bachman read report since Helman was absent. For the month of September there were 10 permits with a total of \$2,777.50.

EMA Grim- Absent

Police Chief Emerich - Chief Emerich reported there were 234 calls for service for the month of September, 17 arrests, 15 traffic citations, 20 warnings and 13 parking tickets.

Fire Chief Bechtel - Bachman read report since Bechtel was absent. For the month of September there were 20 incidents with a total of 205 year to date. Fire department is running under normal operations.

Bachman - Reported that the money for the outsourcing of grass cutting for a property on S. 4<sup>th</sup> Street has been paid to the office in the amount of \$1,945.10. Office has received the 2022 V. Fire Relief money in the amount of \$18,635.26. Received notification from the Department of Transportation that the estimated amount for 2023 liquid fuels allocation will be \$94,483.64. Monday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>, the Central PA Teamsters came into the office to do a 2- year audit and found zero errors. Bachman read a letter from Public Works Department Boyle requesting the council approve another five years for the CWSA board representing the borough. Read a letter from Meals on Wheels thanking the borough for their donation to Meals on Wheels. Received a quote from Hobel's Coal for the purchase of 100 tons of rice coal in the amount of \$320.00 per ton. This was the only quote received from the request for proposal sent out.

Discussion of any problems/matters:

Council Member Sodl brought up the loss for the pool. He has asked council members to look at the numbers very carefully. Every year the borough looses on average \$35,000.00 to \$40,000.00 on the pool. The pool will be in need of new pool pumps in the next year or so which will probably cost an additional \$30,000.00. There are not many grants for pools to apply for. Sodl replied he will not vote on opening the pool for next year or support it. Sodl stated the tax payers deserve more for their money other than the loss of the pool. Park & Rec Chair Molitoris stated they will look into this since they just received the report the night of the meeting.

Mayor – Community Days will look into providing funding for the meeting room upstairs for Chief Emerich.

Dreisbach - Nothing to report

Sodl – Thanked Mr. Bechtel for his service.

Molitoris- Coplay Sports will be playing the movie Sandlot at Balliet Stadium October 8<sup>th</sup> 7:30PM, Santa Parade Scheduled for December 11<sup>th</sup> rain date of 17<sup>th</sup> or 18<sup>th</sup>, Sandlot game Saturday October 29<sup>th</sup>.

Eisenhauer- Library - Mrs. Eisenhauer, stated that the library is running their Boscov discount fundraiser, shopping date is for October 19<sup>th</sup>, book and bake sale this Friday and Saturday 11-4PM Library has 2 positions open. One is for a part-time employee and the final one is for a Director of the Library.

Kern- Mr. Kern reported that the Borough received the 100 % state covered PCCD grant for Police Body Cameras at the cost of 36,514.00. Chief Emerich spoke on the retention program for the police dept. Trexler Grant is now available and due Dec 1<sup>st</sup>.

Bodish –Will start leaf pick up on Friday October 7<sup>th</sup> until after Christmas, January will be Christmas tree pick up. Halloween Parade October 18<sup>th</sup> – Trick or treat October 28<sup>th</sup> 6-8pm with rain date of Saturday October 29<sup>th</sup> 6-8pm.

Hearing of Persons Present: Nothing

## At Regular Meeting:

Approve Coplay Sports to use the gym Monday and Wednesday from 5 PM to 7 PM, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 5 PM to 9 PM, Saturday from 10 AM to 7 PM and Sunday from 10 AM to 7 PM.

Approve the coal bid for 2022-2023 from Hobel's Coal for 100 tons of rice oil treated coal in the amount of \$320.00 per ton.

Approve Paul Boyle for Coplay Whitehall Sewer Authority board to represent the Borough of Coplay for another 5 -year term.

As there was no further business, motion to adjourn to executive session for discussion by Dreisbach, second by Molitoris at 8:30 PM. Meeting will not reconvene due to no further discussion. Next regular meeting scheduled for Tuesday, October 11, 2022 at 7 PM.