

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

In attendance were Bodish, Burkner, Eisenhower, Kern, Sodl, Mayor Molitoris, Boyle, Luckenbach and Chief Bechtel

EMA Grim, Mr. Witczak, Helman and Molitoris were absent

Pres. Bodish led pledge of allegiance:

PWD Boyle – Routine Streets work, Sanitation pick up and Building Maintenance. Mr. Boyle presented the proposals for the Air Conditioning units to be replaced in the Council Chambers and the Borough Office. As there were two quotes one for the Chambers and one for the borough office and council chambers. Clock has arrived in the borough and will be scheduled to be placed at the Civic Plaza. Mr. Sodl has asked if the new air conditioner system is equipped for the air conditioners in both areas of the building. Mr. Boyle replied both areas are equipped for this. With regards to the installation of the clock, Mr. Kern has asked if the borough would like to hire a professional contractor to install the clock. If any damage was done the contractor would be responsible. He believes the boroughs public works can do the installation but if a contractor was hired they would be responsible.

BCO Helman –Month of August 2021- 17 permits with a total of \$1,579.50

Chief Genovese reported 175 calls for service, 9 crimes, 4 arrests- 17 traffic violations, 7 written warning and 24 borough parking tickets.

Chief Bechtel reported –16 incidents –Training- Live burn at Whitehall training grounds and live exercise at Upper Macungie Training grounds. Chief Bechtel has asked to approve Joseph Britt for Assistant Chief, the current Assistant Chief has stepped down as of August 1st.

Bachman – The borough has received a letter from Mrs. Sue Molitoris resigning from the Coplay Library Board. The DEP has granted approval to go to the next step in the 902 Grant process when the recycling ordinance is adopted. L & M Painting will be here on September 13th at 8 AM to start the painting in the police station. The floor work will begin on September 20th and will take approximately 2 to 3 days.

Discussion of any problems/matters:

Discussed the sale of the 2000 GMC T8500 garbage truck to start the bidding at \$5,000.00. Everyone has agreed to sell the truck starting at this amount. Mr. Kern has asked if maybe we should scrap it but, as of right now we should try to sell it on Municibid.

Discussion of the Neff's National Bank to advertise in the newsletter, at this time it would not be beneficial for the borough to do this because than everyone would want to advertise.

Discussion of the air conditioner units in both the chambers and office. Mrs. Eisenhower replied that it is terrible in the office in the summer and winter and she recommends doing both at the same time. President Bodish also said if the boiler goes down the office would have no heat. Mr. Boyle also said that is why we have looked at the dual system in case the boiler would go down. Mr. Sodl agreed with Mrs. Eisenhower.

Mayor- Thanked everyone on behalf of the residents to Coplay Community Days event, Police Department and Public Works for a job well done.

Sodl – Mr. Sodl thanked Brandyn for all the fund raising for the Fire department

Burker- Read a letter from Coplay Sports President Wes Christman requesting to use the gym everyday of the week, with Friday as needed to cover practices November to March. The Coplay Sports Cornhole Tournament will take place on October 9th, all paperwork should be in the office and Kim will check to make sure all has been received in the office. The Craft Fair will take place on October 2nd and 3rd. Deadline is September 24th to have all registration in the office. The Coplay

Summer series has ended for the season and was the best of all years. Thanked Coplay Police Department, Council and Public Works for all they have done for the Coplay Community Days. Kim will contact Donna DeLucia and Robert Hartzell to see if they plan to come back to the gym.

Molitoris- Abscent

Library –Mrs. Eisenhower, the reading program for the summer was very successful. The library has also applied for a grant for additional equipment needed in the library. First book sale will be on October 1st and 2nd generally one of the biggest fundraiser for us. Mrs. Eisenhower spoke about Sue Molitoris leaving the library board how sad she is to have her leave. She was a great council member for the library. The library will be looking for someone to replace her and if you know of anyone please have them write a letter to the borough.

Eisenhower- Finance- Reminded everyone about getting their information in for the 2022 Budget, Kim and Janet will be working on the budget next week. As far as the loan amount for the Coplay Public Works building there is approximately \$848,000.00 left on the loan. The Trexler Grant, are we going to submit for this grant? What about the possibility to do upgrades for the swimming pool pump house. If everyone is in agreement we will submit for this project. She has recommended that we start on a 1,5 or 10 year plan for the borough it would also help the budget process moving forward.

Kern- Mr. Kern reported on grants and they are as follows; on the agenda is approval of the purchasing of the equipment and the installation for the playground equipment moving forward for the Saylor Park Playground. The Greensway Trail grant is tied in with the LSA Grant. He stated we should purchase the equipment but not install until Spring of 2022 and that we also hear back from the Greensway Grant.

LSA 2 Grant is for the upgrade to the tennis court to turn them into basketball courts through this grant.

Kern stated we were granted Community Block Grant for the equipment for the fire department. The fire department will have to offset the difference for the equipment to purchase.

Body camera grant was submitted for the Police department and we are waiting to hear back on this grant.

Bodish – New garbage truck should arrive for delivery on September 9th. The Public Works building is moving along hopefully will be finished by the end of September.

Hearing of Persons Present:

Anne Killeen – wanted to know why the second hearing of person was not on the agenda and when it would be returning on the agenda. President Bodish replied it will not return on the agenda. Questioned why the borough ordered a garbage truck that wouldn't fit in the garage. Mr. Bodish replied a boom was placed on the truck that they did not order and it will be removed and will fit in the garage. Wanted to know why the planning commission was on the calendar on the website for a meeting and when she arrived there was no meeting. Ms. Killeen asked when looking into the air conditioners why wouldn't the borough look into UGI for a bid, President Bodish replied these are wall units. She also asked when the codes would be updated, President Bodish replied the codes are being updated.

Rick White – has property in Coplay and wanted to know the update on the water problem on Tapler Drive. President Bodish asked when the last time it was flooded there and Mr. White replied the storm before Ida. President Bodish said the borough is still looking into this and it would cost the borough \$1.4 million dollars. Mr. White asked how many years has the borough been working on this problem with Tapler Drive. President Bodish said this has been updated twice. Mr. Sodl said there was flooding before but that was before the homes were built. When homes were built it changed the course of the water.

At Regular Meeting:

Approve the Halloween Parade on October 19th, beginning at 7 PM with no rain date

Approve Trick or Treat on October 29th from 6-8 PM, with a rain date of October 30th from 6-8 PM

Approve amending the Code of Ordinances of the Borough of Coplay, Chapter 20, Solid Waste, of the Codified Ordinances of the Borough of Coplay, amending the municipal solid waste ordinance and adding recycling requirements, and repealing all ordinances inconsistent therewith.

Approve RESOLUTION #1480 of the Borough Council of Coplay authorizing the borough's sale of a vehicle identified herein by means of public bid or auction, or municibid, consistent with the borough code.

Approve Resolution 1481 authorizing the submission of a local share account funding request to the Commonwealth Financing authority and designating a borough official to execute all documents and agreements in connection with the requested grant

Approve the sale of the 2000 GMC T8500 Garbage Truck on Municibid beginning at the amount of \$5,000.00

Approve the purchasing of playground equipment for the Saylor Park Playground through MRC in the amount of \$72,861.55, funds will be from LSA Grant.

Approve Currie~Grove~LLC to install playground equipment at Saylor Park Playground through the LSA Grant in the amount of \$15,400.00.

Approve Joseph Britt as Assistant Fire Chief for the Coplay Fire Department.

Approve 2022 Minimum Municipal Obligation for the Coplay Non-Uniformed Employees' Defined Contribution Plan; the Coplay Non- Uniformed Employees' Money Purchase Plan and the Coplay Police Pension Plan.

Approve Reph's Auto Center for one No Parking Sign on South 2nd Street.

Approve Multi-Zone Ductless Heat Pump for the Council Chambers and Borough Office in the amount of \$10,411.00 from Indoor Comfort Specialist Inc.

Approve the resignation of Sue Molitoris from the Library Board.

Any other items for Discussion:

Regular Meeting September 14th, 2021 7PM

Motion by Kern, second by Burkner to adjourn meeting 8:22 PM