

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

In attendance were President Bodish, Mayor Burkner, Eisenhauer, Luckenbach, Molitoris, Dreisbach, Sodl, Kern and Solicitor -Pereira

President Bodish led pledge of allegiance.

President Bodish called an executive meeting after all business was carried for personnel.

Minutes from workshop meeting of September 6th, 2022 were approved as presented to council

All in favor **7; Carried**

Hearing of persons present:

Dale Simon – Spoke about the Coplay Senior Citizens having their yearly picnic and wanted to invite all council members to the picnic. This event will occur on September 21st, this would include the Public Works Director and any Police Officer.

Melissa Wehr- She is there on behalf to support the nomination for the new Police Chief Emerich. She thanked council for considering him as the new Chief.

Mick Dee- Chief District Office Director for Jeanne McNeil State Representative office and wanted to Congratulate Chief Emerich on his new position

Bachman- Reported that the COVID ARPA money was received on September 12th, in the amount of \$168,735.24. Received verification that the borough has been granted the 902 Grant for recycling cans and educational information for residents.

Mayors Report: Nothing to report

Solicitors Report: Nothing to report

Reports of Officers and Standing committees:

Dreisbach- Nothing to report

Eisenhauer – Nothing to report

Sodl- Sodl spoke about the line item for the donation of \$500 to the Lehigh Valley Regional Homeless Advisory Board. He stated that he had heard on 69 news that the organization received \$2 million dollars through Susan Wild's office. He also wanted to be clear that he has nothing against donating to places but this donation is our borough's tax money. We do a lot for our community such as having places with low- income (Lehigh County homes) rentals that don't pay taxes and we also have the food bank for our community. He stated he will not vote for the donation. Let me express I do not have anything against helping someone that can not help them self. Mr. Sodl spoke about the police department, he would like to add to the agenda to hire part time officers at a wage of \$24.00, also add to approve adding a \$25 credit towards their insurance if working 32 hours. If we could add these things to the agenda before the Chief goes to the First Responders Festival at Cabela's on September 24th.

Luckenbach- Nothing to report

Molitoris – Molitoris stated that September 14th Third Hand Trio will be the last entertainment at the Gazebo. Coplay Sports will be cancelling their movie night due to scheduling

Kern – Kern reported Officer Emerich meet with Mr. Gallo and he raved about the information that Officer Emerich information and the presentation he had.

Bodish- President Bodish stated normal operations for Streets and Sanitation for the departments.

Unfinished Business:

Motion by Sodl, second by Kern, to approve to amend the agenda to add for approval about the things Mr. Sodl spoke about.

New Business:

Motion by Luckenbach, second by Dreisbach to approve police, fire, health and building inspector reports
All in favor **7; Carried**

Motion by Eisenhauer, second by Sodl to approve August 2022 Treasurers report.
All in favor **7; Carried**

Motion by Eisenhauer, second by Sodl to approve all bills as submitted to members of council
All in favor **7; Carried**

Motion by Molitoris second by Dreisbach to approve 2023 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
All in favor **7; Carried**

Motion by Luckenbach, second by Kern, to approve the Halloween Parade on October 18th, beginning at 7 PM with no rain date
All in favor **7; Carried**

Motion by Dreisbach, second by Kern to approve Trick or Treat on October 28th from 6-8 PM, with a rain date of October 29th from 6-8 PM
All in favor **7; Carried**

Motion by Sodl, second by Kern to approve Ryan Emerich as Chief of Police on September 14th, 2022.
All in favor **7; Carried**

Motion by Eisenhauer, second by Molitoris to approve Ordinance 856 approving appointment of solicitor interest assessment, and attorney fees and collection fees added to the amount collected as part of unpaid real estate taxes for delinquent accounts.
All in favor **7; Carried**

Motion by Eisenhauer, second by Dreisbach to approve the quote from Brosky Insurance for Cyber Security Insurance in the amount of \$5,750.00
All in favor **7; Carried**

Motion by Eisenhauer, second by Sodl to approve donation of \$500 to the Meals on Wheels of the Greater Lehigh Valley
All in favor **7; Carried**

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All in favor **7; Carried**

Motion by Eisenhower, second by Sodl to approve donation of \$500 to the Meals on Wheels of the Greater Lehigh Valley
All in favor **7; Carried**

Motion by Eisenhower, second by Kern to approve Katrina Klinger to the Coplay Library Board.
All in favor **7; Carried**

Motion by Kern, second by Sodl to approve LSA Grant # 2 to reduce the scope of work just to the grant amount of \$30,774.00

All in favor **7; Carried**

Motion by Sodl, second by Molitoris to approve Officer Emerich to attend the First Responder Festival at Cabela's in Berks County on September 24th from 1 PM to 9 PM.
All in favor **7; Carried**

Motion by Eisenhower, second by Kern to approve Part Time Officers to an hourly rate of \$24.00
All in favor **7; Carried**

Motion by Sodl, second by Kern to approve \$25.00 credit to the 32hour Police Officers health insurance
All in favor **7; Carried**

As there were no further business, motion by Kern, second by Molitoris to adjourn meeting at 8:00 pm to executive session for discussion of personnel.

All in favor 7; Carried

Any other items for Discussion: No other discussions at this time.

Next Meetings

October 4th, 2022 Workshop Meeting at 7:00 PM

October 11th, 2022 Regular Meeting at 7:00 PM

Motion by Kern, second by Molitoris to adjourn the meeting at 8:35 PM

All in favor **7; Carried**