

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Pres. Bodish. In attendance were Burkner, Eisenhower, Luckenbach, Molitoris, Royer and Sodl. Mayor Molitoris, Engineer Witczak and Solicitor Preston were also present. Pres. Bodish led pledge of allegiance.

Minutes from regular meeting of October 11, 2016 were approved as presented to council by secretary – carried.

Hearing of persons present:

Anne Killeen, 32 S 4th St., BCO Helman and Engineer Witczak were to be at this meeting to discuss the wall installed at neighbor's home being in the right of way of the alley; Helman is not here. Pres. Bodish stated council requested Helman attend this meeting, doesn't know why he is not here. Engineer Witczak reported he reviewed prior Engineer statements in minutes regarding survey of this area, according to that information the side wall, along Keystone Alley, is 3 ½' into right of way. At this time, Burkner stated received phone call today from BCO Helman stating he was notified by Secretary Gyecsek to attend meeting, however he was not able to attend. Sodl questioned Ms. Killeen as to what she wants to see done. Ms. Killeen stated when they installed new front wall it should have been back 3 ½' from alley and when wall along alley is replaced it should also be 3 ½' from alley. Pres. Bodish stated permit submitted and signed off by BCO Helman, without him here to explain, unable to give response to concern; will attempt to obtain explanation from Helman and/or have him attend December workshop meeting.

Reading of correspondence: None.

Mayor Molitoris reported nothing new since workshop meeting.

Solicitor Preston reported zoning ordinance reviewed regarding question on signs, however if this is regarding a specific property would suggest same be discussed in executive session. Executive session already on agenda.

Engineer Witczak reported North Front Street paving project is complete, recommending payment as noted on agenda. Bid package for CFC air conditioning is advertised, pre bid meeting scheduled for 11/22 and will attend December workshop meeting on 12/6, as bids are due at that time. CWSA work on South Front Street is scheduled to begin on November 14.

Reports of Officers and Standing Committees:

Sodl read October, 2016 health/code enforcement report 4 new complaints with 14 ongoing and 9 resolved.

Royer reported Secretary Gyecsek contacted auctioneer and meeting is scheduled next week to discuss sale of 38 South 4th Street property.

Burkner reported received information regarding current election; 1,490 people in Coplay have voted so far today. DCNR grant announcements have not yet been made. Spoke with Senator Boscola who will be contacting us after election regarding funds set aside for Coplay. On 12/9 a fundraiser for the plaza is scheduled at the American Club of Coplay Pavilion, tickets are on sale and available at Reph's Auto Center, Samuel Owens Restaurant and the borough office.

Eisenhower had nothing additional to report on the Library. At this time, 1st reading of the 2017 proposed budget was reviewed. In Administration, decreases to auditor and copier with large increase in Engineering fees for total of \$165,756, no change to tax collector budget total of \$34,300, in property increases in repairs with \$10,000 set aside for half of air conditioning costs at CFC and in library maintenance also for air conditioning for total in property of \$101,320, in Streets contractual wage increases along with new part time summer help position, increase in road construction and new line item for building for total of \$329,130, in Recreation slight increase to wages with removal of \$28,000 for the 2016 electrical upgrade but an increase of \$7,000 for playground upgrades for total of \$93,000, Miscellaneous has increase of \$13,500 to liability insurance but the original health costs of \$189,000 were decreased after renewal information was received to \$175,000, increased payroll taxes by \$3,000 and new line item for 150th celebration in amount of \$15,000 with loan repayment staying the same at \$77,000 for total of \$450,500. Police includes contractual wage increases and new full time patrol officer by decreasing part time wages for total of \$445,117. Health had small increase for animal control services for total of \$6,960. Total receipts of \$1,414,327; with balance general fund receipts are \$1,644,327 and expenses of \$1,626,083 for balance of \$18,244. In

Emergency Services the fire budget includes \$10,000 increase in building maintenance to cover other half of air conditioning at CFC for total of \$114,025 and no change to EMA total of \$1,700.

Emergency Services receipts with balance is \$118,260 and expenses of \$115,725 for balance of \$2,535. State Fund receipts total \$117,250 and expenses of \$76,400 for remaining balance of \$40,850. In Garbage Fund new line item for another part time summer helper of \$6,000 and increase in the permanent part time help wage of \$4,400, increase in dumping fees and again health insurance less than initially thought, was changed to \$33,000, it also includes line item of \$20,000 for new building fund. Total receipts are \$407,525 and expenses of \$395,121 leaves balance of \$12,404. At this time, committee is recommending a .2 mill increase in the general fund to 3.83 mills. For home assessed at \$150,000 this is \$30 per year increase; for \$180,000 home a \$36 per year increase. This may change, budget is not yet final. Pres. Bodish stated initially with wish lists received from each department, the millage increase would have been .8. Sodl commented, budget committee has stabilized payroll, replaced police vehicle and added full time officer, replaced air conditioning at CFC and added two summer employees; at .2 mill increase this is very good value. However, this budget does not take care of long range goals and needs like the .8 mill increase. We have problems that must be addressed in the areas of new fire truck, municipal pool, municipal building heating system, streets needing repair, public works building at Bridge Street and the inadequacy of space for police and administration offices in the municipal building; must decide where we will be heading. Eisenhauer agreed with Sodl's statements and added, that specific long term planning and financing are needed to continue growth and sustainability.

Bodish reported recycling will be Wednesday, 11/23 prior to Thanksgiving and public works and borough office are closed Thursday, 11/24 and Friday, 11/25 for the holiday.

Unfinished Business: None.

New Business:

Motion by Sodl, second by Eisenhauer to appoint Kirk, Summa & Co. to audit the 2016 books – carried.

Motion by Burkner, second by Molitoris to approve use of auditorium by Coplay Recreation & Welfare Association on Thursday, December 1, 2016 at no fee for annual holiday tree lighting program – carried.

Motion by Sodl, second by Royer to approve first reading of proposed 2017 budget – carried.

Motion by Sodl, second by Eisenhauer to approve Monday, December 19, 2016 at 6:30 pm as meeting date for final approval of 2017 budget – carried.

Motion by Eisenhauer, second by Molitoris to authorize Secretary to advertise special meeting on December 19, 2016 for final budget reading. Also to advertise Ordinance setting tax rate for 2017 and Resolution adopting budget figures on Expenses and Receipts – carried.

Motion by Molitoris, second by Burkner to approve payment of \$306,219.44 to Charles D. Herman Inc. for completion of North Front Street Project as recommended by Borough Engineer Witczak – carried.

Building inspector report for October, 2016 read by Secretary. 3 zoning, 3 residential building, 1 electrical, 1 sidewalk/driveway and 6 certificate of occupancy permits issued for total amount of \$932.75.

Motion by Royer, second by Eisenhauer to approve police, building, fire, and health inspector reports – carried.

Motion by Eisenhauer, second by Molitoris to accept Treasurer Sandra Gynecsek's report for October, 2016 as presented to council – carried.

General Fund	\$ 56,035.18	General Fund MM	\$ 358,716.50
Garbage Fund	\$ 23,612.70	Garbage Fund MM	\$ 147,138.62
State Fund	\$ 41,010.26	Police Pension Fund	\$ 4,090.22
Street Opening Fund	\$ 101,544.17	Recreation Fund	\$ 64,434.86
Emergency Services Fund	\$70,468.48	Garbage Truck MM	\$ 90,880.13
Dept. Projects Account	\$ 270,025.04	Payroll	\$ 15,443.75

Motion by Sodl, second by Royer to pay all approved bills as submitted to members of council by secretary – carried.

Resolution and Ordinances: (roll call vote)

ORDINANCE NO. 825

An Ordinance amending Chapter 15, Section 406 and 407 of the codified Ordinances of the Borough of Coplay, amending a parking time limited in certain locations certain days and hours and establishing "Handicapped Parking Zone" as a special purpose parking zones and specifying the ordained location.

At this time, Pres. Bodish asked for any public comments or questions on Ordinance No. 825, there were none.

Motion by Luckenbach, second by Sodl to approve Ordinance No. 825. Roll call vote resulted in 7 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

As there was no further business, motion by Molitoris, second by Eisenhower to adjourn meeting to executive session for discussion of litigation and personnel at 7:50 pm. May reconvene for motions if necessary.

Meeting reconvened at 9:05 pm by Pres. Bodish. As there were no further motions or business, motion by Sodl, second by Burkner to adjourn meeting until workshop meeting Tuesday, December 6, 2016 at 7 pm, regular meeting Tuesday, December 13, 2016 at 7 PM and special meeting on Monday, December 19, 2016 at 6:30 pm.

Attest
Borough Secretary