

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

Minutes from regular meeting of April 11, 2017 were approved as presented to council by secretary – carried.

Hearing of persons present:

Bob Elbich of Weisenberg Township regarding County commissioners nonaction to allow Lehigh County to assess \$5 fee to vehicle registration for infrastructure funding which will be returned to the local municipality, amount is based on per capita, as such Coplay's portion would be approximately \$142,000. However, commissioners pulled bill, Comm. Creighton, who represents Coplay area, did not support bill. Mr. Elbich here asking for Coplay council support of this bill and request they speak with Creighton directly to change his vote, or attend next County commissioners meeting. Members can review content of last County meeting to review the discussion. Burkner commented, Mr. Elbich will be running for commissioner seat this election with a positive response. Sodl commented commissioners were considering three options for funds 1) share with local municipalities 2) keep all funding at County level or 3) pull the bill. Sodl questioned current status of bill with response from Mr. Elbich that bill is in limbo, next county commissioners meeting is Wednesday, 5/10/17, he will attend and asked if anyone from Coplay would consider attending. Mr. Elbich handed out copies of his statement from county meeting to all members for their review. Luckenbach stated his disagreement with assessing another tax on residents.

Richard Hamscher, 8 N 5th St., complaining about traffic stop by new police officer on 4/14 who profiled because there were 5 kids in car. Officer was searching for drugs and made statements to that effect during stop, nothing was found and kids were left go with no issue. New officers with the department don't know residents in town, concerned they are too aggressive, looking for things that aren't there. Mayor questioned if Mr. Hamscher has discussed situation with Chief Genovese with a positive response, children's fathers all came to discuss situation with Chief. Mayor continued, will look into situation further. Mr. Hamscher stated his neighbor submitted for part-time officer position and was refused, why? Mayor questioned what result Mr. Hamscher would like to see. Mr. Hamscher responded police should serve and protect residents, not harass.

Mel Procanyn, 7 S 8th St., Trumbull lease was not discussed at workshop meeting, how much is lease? Sodl reported receiving \$950/month for 39 months. Procanyn questioned if Trumbull will carry insurance with positive response. Mr. Procanyn questioned how did borough pay for property with response property is paid in full. Procanyn questioned Pres. Bodish how land was paid for if money wasn't in budget, was line of credit used? Pres. Bodish stated will review same and report at next meeting.

Reading of correspondence:

County of Lehigh, Dept. of General Services re: support of DCNR grant application.
Coplay Civil Service Commission re: Ryan Emerich.

Mayor Molitoris reviewed flyer from Lehigh Valley Chamber regarding two major projects in our area of which one is our bridge replacement, holding meeting on 5/30, asks members to consider attending. Read feral cat committee report as submitted by Kimberly Fitzpatrick, one cat received, two neutered and found homes, working in area of bakery at this time. Commented will review report from Mr. Hamscher, but stated fully supports our police department.

Solicitor Pereira reviewed changes made to Trumbull lease by solicitor's office. At this time, Sodl requested executive session to discuss questions posed by Trumbull during phone conversation this date. Executive session for real estate added to agenda.

Engineer Witczak reported reviewing old municipal plans to identify right-of-way widths of most streets. Hokendauqua storm sewer project complete, plans/bid package for curb cuts complete, unsure of repaving schedule. MS4 work ongoing for new submission due in September. Saylor Park topographic survey complete, site split for the two DCNR grants however will still be bid as one project and will be meeting with Park & Recreation Board as design of site improvements moves forward. Sodl questioned what was separated, pavilion and rain garden? with affirmative response from

Engineer Witczak. Installation of AC at fire building complete, awaiting documentation to process final payment. CWSA project along South Front Street is progressing, contractor has replaced existing stormwater pipe for borough at minimal fee. 2017 CDBG stormwater project is awaiting final approval of additional funding from Lehigh County, upon approval will issue notice of award and proceed to contractor. UGI installed new gas main in this area which had to be moved for our work, same was relocated by UGI. Still awaiting final executed permanent drainage easement from 106 S. Front St., all concerns have been discussed and resolved, expect executed agreement by next week.

Reports of Officers and Standing Committees:

Sodl commented on statements by Mr. Hamscher, generally agree with Mayor in support of our police department, not everything is black and white, but still will review specific circumstances of the incident with Chief.

Royer reported renters no longer interested in 38 S. 4th Street, so back to square one. Next intergovernmental meeting scheduled for Thursday, 5/18 at 6 pm at Whitehall Township.

Burker reported, along with Sodl, met with assistant manager at Giant regarding installation of mesh at civic plaza site. Giant has agreed to pay \$200 toward installation. Also, brought up situation with landscaper blowing grass clippings into roadway, same has been talked to on numerous occasions by public works and office, if not corrected Giant, as property owner, will be sent violation notice.

Eisenhauer reported Library received \$4,000 from Trexler Trust for window and blind replacement, and held very successful basket social, thanks to all who participated. Finance committee met to begin discussions on capital projects plan including timeline and preliminary costs. In miscellaneous receipts report, refunds of \$27,000 were received from our workers' compensation and property/liability insurance. Borough office reviewing engineer bills to ensure properly assigned in budget.

Bodish reported materials needed to begin storm sewer project at Front & Center Streets has expected delivery of tomorrow. Street sweeping scheduled for Wednesday, 5/17 and Thursday, 5/18. Tire drop off on Saturday, 5/20 from 10-2 at parkway lower lot. And, public works and borough office will be closed Monday, 5/29, garbage collection will be pushed back one day with no changes to recycling or yard waste.

Unfinished Business: None.

New Business:

Motion by Burker, second by Molitoris to hire Zyan Globosits and Nathan Wechsler as part-time help for 2017 summer season – carried.

Motion by Luckenbach, second by Eisenhauer to approve use of pavilion by Coplay Town Watch on Tuesday, August 1, 2017 at no fee except for cleaning, if necessary, for annual National Night Out program – carried.

Motion by Molitoris, second by Burker to lease concession stand at Coplay Municipal Pool from 6/10-8/24/2017 to The Bacon Strip for rent of \$650.00 – carried.

Motion by Burker, second by Royer to hire Gary DeAngelo as pool manager for the 2017 pool season - carried.

Motion by Eisenhauer, second by Luckenbach to hire Rebecca Kosar, Robert Lamm, Courtney Dragovits, Samantha Molitoris, Paul Helman, Faith Schaffer, Darwin Cofield, Reynaldo Aquino, and Stephanie Setar as Lifeguards and William Decker as cleanup for 2017 pool season – carried.

At this time, motion to approve lease with Trumbull Corporation of 1 Bridge Street was postponed until after executive session discussion.

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

Motion by Burker, second by Eisenhauer to accept Treasurer Sandra Gyecsek's report for April, 2017 as presented to council – carried.

General Fund	\$ 167,986.71	General Fund MM	\$ 361,172.12
Garbage Fund	\$ 53,810.92	Garbage Fund MM	\$ 211,211.33
State Fund	\$ 93,848.38	Police Pension Fund	\$ 3,650.81
Street Opening Fund	\$ 125,973.37	Recreation Fund	\$ 112,354.11
Emergency Services Fund	\$43,866.00	Garbage Truck MM	\$ 115,902.07
Dept. Projects Account	\$ 198,450.18	Payroll	\$ 14,440.08

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

Resolution and Ordinances: (roll call vote)

RESOLUTION NO. 1430

Sodl asked that this motion be postponed for discussion during executive session.

RESOLUTION NO. 1431

Motion by Royer, second by Molitoris to adopt Resolution No. 1431 opposing elimination of the Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG). Roll call vote resulted in 6 yeas, 1 nay by Luckenbach. Motion carried.

As there was no further business, motion by Sodl, second by Molitoris to adjourn meeting at 8:00 pm to executive session for discussion of personnel and real estate. May reconvene for motions if necessary. Meeting reconvened at 9:20 pm by Pres. Bodish.

No decisions were made during executive session and there are additional motions.

Motion by Sodl, second by Burkner to approve lease with Trumbull Corporation with changes as directed to Solicitor Pereira – carried.

Motion by Sodl, second by Burkner to take down fence at Balliet Stadium separating baseball fields – carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 1430

Motion by Sodl, second by Burkner to adopt Resolution No. 1430 authorizing Sandra Gynecsek as signatory of DCNR “Other Parks” grant application. Roll call vote resulted in 7 yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried.

As there was no further business, motion by Burkner, second by Royer to adjourn meeting until next workshop meeting Tuesday, June 6, 2017 at 7 pm and regular meeting Tuesday, June 13, 2017 at 7 pm.

Attest
Borough Secretary