

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Bodish. In attendance were Burkner, Eisenhower, Luckenbach, and Sodl, as well as Mayor Molitoris, Police Chief Genovese, PWD Boyle, and BCO Helman. Molitoris, Royer, and Fire Chief Buskaritz were not in attendance. EMA Coordinator position is being filled on interim basis by Mayor Molitoris. Pres. Bodish led pledge of allegiance.

At this time, Pres. Bodish asked for any comments from persons present regarding the draft Pollution Reduction Plan as prepared by Borough Engineer Dan Witzak of Acela Engineering Co. to be submitted as part of Coplay's MS4 general permit application.

Anne Killeen, 32 S. 4th St., Coplay questioned if raingarden's being installed were looked at to determine if there would be a need for expansion in the future. Pres. Bodish responded raingarden's were designed utilizing past rainfall, Engineer Witzak will respond to your comment at next week's regular meeting.

Hearing of persons present:

Anne Killeen, 32 S. 4th St., questioned status of "Crown Castle" inquiry to borough. Pres. Bodish asked Administrator Gynecsek if further contact from company was received with negative response. Ms. Killeen stated online content found regarding company, she reviewed and submitted same to council for their information. What she found included a federal lawsuit against Crown Castle, Coplay should not get involved with this company.

PWD Boyle reported public works projects completed in June included finishing pool preparation and opening same for season, tree work along IRT, installing lockers and finalizing all work in police locker room, installed new rear window in F350, clean up of trees after 6/19 storm, dug 18 holes for soil samples in conjunction with Saylor Park Renovation project, backfilled and regraded same, installed handicap parking space at 47 1/2 North 3rd Street, started power pole for Community Days, removed boiler grate, bathrooms at tennis court building were painted, all employees were trained on pool chemicals, fire alarm panel installed and training completed at fire building, routine building maintenance, routine street maintenance and routine sanitation pickups. Eisenhower questioned cost of repairing boiler grate. PWD Boyle responded approximately \$8,000 to \$12,000. PWD Boyle continued, Front Street project is still ongoing, at the pool concession stand a new ice machine and fire suppression system were installed, Hokendauqua Street stormwater project in conjunction with Whitehall Township will be paved this season, we are proceeding with bids for our handicap curb cuts. PWD Boyle thanked borough resident Ronald Stroh for his donation of portable air compressor to public works, a much needed piece of equipment. Luckenbach questioned status of UGI work on Hokendauqua. PWD Boyle responded spoke with Lee Rackus of Whitehall, UGI does not expect to complete work until 2019, Whitehall does not want to wait until then to pave, will pave now and charge them degradation fees; UGI work is all on Whitehall side of Hokendauqua Street. Pres. Bodish questioned installing additional storm sewer at 4th Street on Hokendauqua to which PWD Boyle responded no plans to install same at this time. Luckenbach stated does not see Hokendauqua being paved this season. Sodl questioned sidewalk and curb installation deadlines, further discussion and explanation on same. PWD Boyle stated a definitive long term plan is needed, especially when it comes to paving roadways and the associated installation of curb and sidewalk by residents. Sodl thanked PWD Boyle and public works crew for their work on police locker room installation.

BCO/CEO Helman reported 2 zoning, 6 building, 2 commercial building, 4 electrical, 2 plumbing, 3 mechanical, 1 sidewalk, and 27 certificate of occupancy permits for a total of 47 permits issued in June for \$5,033.00. Code enforcement/health officer report, 2 health license inspections were completed, there are 7 new complaints with 7 ongoing and 5 resolved.

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Chief Genovese reported 19 traffic, 6 written warnings, and 24 parking tickets issued, 202 calls in May with 3 arrests. Officers are utilizing locker room to change and wash up prior to and after shifts. New vehicle will be delivered tomorrow. Sodl stated this is a pickup truck, which is @ \$10,000 less than an Expedition. Chief Genovese stated truck was taken to Atlantic City Police Expo by dealership, sold two and have some other local departments looking at purchasing a truck as well.

Fire Chief Buskaritz was absent due to work, Sodl stated no report received.

Administrator Gynecsek reported grant submitted on behalf of Planning Commission to LV Chamber of Commerce for upgrades at town plaza was approved, this is \$2,000 match grant. Received preliminary approval of \$210,000 in CDBG funding for stormwater project at North 2nd and Chestnut, 1st reading to County Commissioners will take place on Wed., 7/26. Catasauqua open house on 9/16 for new building, however will

meet one on one if wanted. Hokendauqua curb cuts will be advertised with bids opened on 8/8. 3 shade trees and stumps which are damaged or dead will be removed by Tree of Life, cost is within current budget. Pres. Bodish questioned if other stumps throughout borough could be removed as well. Administrator Gynecsek will obtain costs and utilize remaining budget funds along with funds transferred to departmental projects account in order to have work completed.

Discussion of any problems/matters:

Chief Genovese received estimates from Samuel Owens to add cameras to their surveillance system that will be directed toward town center civic plaza; compare costs of installing 3 or 4 cameras at site. Three cameras will cost \$714.00 and four cameras, with one inside gazebo, will cost \$1,813.00. The difference in cost for the additional camera is mostly due to need for wireless capability. Discussion between Sodl, Chief Genovese and Mayor Molitoris on camera angles, areas of plaza that will be covered, etc. Mayor Molitoris would like to have three cameras, hold off on fourth because of cost unless it is needed. Eisenhower also agreed to purchase of three cameras and questioned if costs included installation with positive response from Chief Genovese. Molitoris, who was unable to attend, responded via email supporting three cameras at this time. Pres. Bodish asked for any further questions, there were none, motion at regular meeting for purchase of three cameras added to Samuel Owens Restaurant camera system.

August workshop (8/1) is scheduled same night as National Night Out; does council want to change date of workshop meeting. No members were in favor of changing date and or time of August workshop meeting, no motion needed at regular meeting.

Received letter from borough residents Colson & Claudie Jean-Louis at 145 South 7th Street, looking to convert from oil to natural gas, UGI is charging them degradation fee of \$1,000 as charged by the borough for opening up 7th Street. Degradation fees were just added to fee schedule this year. Pres. Bodish, Eisenhower and Sodl agreed that degradation fee should be charged, borough spent a lot of money to pave roadway, utilities were notified and UGI asked for conversions at that time, should not have waited, degradation fee is in place because of damages to roadway due to these type of cuts. No further questions or comments by members, motion to deny at regular meeting.

Possible interest in sale of 38 South 4th Street, does council want to proceed with advertising again for sale of the house and accepting sealed bids. Luckenbach questioned how much advertisement costs with Administrator Gynecsek responding less than \$60. Luckenbach and Pres. Bodish would like house to be advertised. Sodl questioned if advertisement will include same minimum as before, \$128,000.00, with positive response from Administrator Gynecsek. Gynecsek added, this date received phone call from someone possibly interested in renting home, scheduled walk through for Thursday. No further questions or comments by members, motion at regular meeting.

Pres. Bodish asked for any other items for discussion, there were none.

Mayor Molitoris reported his continued concerns with lack of response from feral cat committee, did not received requested monthly report and has received numerous phone calls from residents who have attempted to contact Ms. Fitzpatrick with no response and no handling of situation. Reviewed specific situation with one resident. Requesting members approve alternate option for residents. Sodl agreed, should move on from feral cat committee. Administrator Gynecsek reported Sanctuary at Haafsville, who takes care of our stray dogs, offered to also take care of feral cats for fee of \$50 per cat up to a cap per year for both cats and dogs of \$650.00. Eisenhower and Pres. Bodish agreed to move forward with contracting with Sanctuary at Haafsville for feral cats. Mayor Molitoris added this gives residents additional options if feral cat committee does not respond to their concerns.

Reports of Officers and Standing Committees:

Sodl reported the Planning Commission will be holding musical events at the gazebo, first will be held Wednesday, July 19, 2017 from 6 – 8:30 pm, will close 2nd Street from Keefer to Chestnut, which was reviewed by Samuel Owens owner and police department. PWD Boyle questioned if borough employees will need to come out in evening to set up barricades with negative response. Sodl stated planning commission will handle set up of barricades, just need public works to drop off same at location during working hours. Pres. Bodish questioned if residents in area were notified, especially if roadway will be closed, with negative response. Mayor Molitoris questioned parking. Planning Commission did look at parking, with bridge closed and traffic decrease because of that closure, does not see parking as a concern. Attended meeting with Engineer Witczak and Burkner at Lehigh County Conservation District to discuss issuance of NPDES permit for Saylor Park Renovation project. Discussed with them our effort to have project complete prior to 150th anniversary

events and their issuance of permit in timely manner in order to begin project in 2018. Meeting was very positive and cooperative, expect permit to be issued in timely manner.

Royer was absent, no report.

Burker thanked PWD Boyle and public works employees for work at municipal pool. Noted there was save at pool by Lifeguard Paul Helman, requesting certificate and gift card for same. Aqua Zumba was promoted considerably more this year, 1st Monday 52 participants, 2nd Monday 64 participants, so we added another class on Wednesday's. 1st Wednesday 39 participants and then last night, 3rd Monday, we had 110 participants! Pres. Bodish questioned how many were Coplay residents to which Burker responded doesn't know for sure, but would guess more than 30 were residents. Sodl stated he is okay with that. Burker noted our class charges only if you attend, \$5 per person and \$3 for seniors, other area pools charge for 5 or 6 week class, rate is charged whether you are able to attend or not, may be why our program is so successful. Recently heard from Howard Leiberman's wife asking on behalf of the 75th anniversary committee for MacArthur Road if they could set up a banner for their "movie night" event, approved same, banner will be located in area of municipal pool.

Eisenhauer reviewed upcoming library events listing and there are 40 summer reading program participants. Library statistics for 2017 to date are @ 115 reference questions per month, @ 550 computer users each month, @ 3,900 in website traffic each month and @ 1,000 in foot traffic per month. Requested Administration employees make "wish list" of needs and wants to be discussed in August. Police Pension meeting with adviser showed changes made to portfolio in January were positive for fund, no additional changes were made at this meeting. Requested all departments begin thinking and preparing their 2018 budgets.

Bodish reported normal operations in sanitation. Front Street project, main trunk up to Hohl's Alley has been replaced, laterals on South side are next. UGI and NBMA cutouts are being reviewed by Engineer, he will then submit cost estimates to each for payment toward paving. This year we expect only a binder coat to be applied with repaving scheduled for 2018.

Hearing of persons present:

None.

AT REGULAR MEETING:

Vote on cameras at town center civic plaza.

Vote on degradation fee for street opening at 145 South 7th Street.

Vote on advertising for sale of 38 South 4th Street.

Vote on feral cat option with Sanctuary at Haafsville.

Motion by Burker, second by Sodl to adjourn meeting into executive session at 8:40 pm for discussion of real estate and personnel, added by Sodl at this time, until regular meeting on Tuesday, July 18, 2017 at 7 pm.

Borough Secretary