

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

Minutes from regular meeting of August 8, 2017 were approved as presented to council by secretary – carried.

Hearing of persons present: None.

Reading of correspondence: None.

Mayor Molitoris reported on email received from April Milander, resident on Front Street, regarding sinkhole to front of residence. Sinkhole was looked at by Luckenbach, Pres. Bodish and PWD Boyle, determined to be minor issue and was resolved.

Solicitor Pereira reported on status of deed restrictions removals from borough properties purchased from Whitehall-Coplay School District presented to real estate committee of school board with favorable view to remove, same forwarded to district's attorney on how to handle removal of the deed restrictions. They will respond with information to Solicitor Pereira who will forward same to borough office for dissemination to members. Requests executive session for discussion of pending litigation.

Engineer Witczak reported notice to proceed was issued to contractor for Hokendauqua Street project. Saylor Park NPDES application response comments were received from Lehigh County conservation District, preparing response to same; and preparing consolidation of the two separate parcels into one per DCNR request. Beginning preparation of construction/bid documents and meeting with borough staff on September 25 to review plan to move forward regarding construction and bid packages. CWSA sewer replacement on Front Street, contractor will be working to replace curbing and then pulverize concrete roadway. 2017 CDBG stormwater project is mostly complete, however they must await UGI to decommission an existing gas main which no one knew about until road was opened. At this time, there was additional discussion about CWSA project by Sodl and Pres. Bodish. Pres. Bodish questioned deadline to complete 2017 CDBG storm water project with response of September 15 by Engineer Witczak, realizes that is this Friday and will actively work with Lehigh County to coordinate and discuss best options to move forward. Sodl questioned if an extension is possible again with affirmative response from Engineer Witczak. Had an extension last year and that will be one of the options being looked at. Sodl questioned if Saylor Park bid documents are ready. Engineer Witczak stated no, but are on schedule as previously discussed to have bid awarded with construction ready to begin by spring construction season of 2018. Molitoris questioned lot line as indicated on plan that went through fire department building. Engineer Witczak responded that line was not exact, taken from tax maps. Same has been reviewed and corrected, no longer an issue.

Reports of Officers and Standing Committees:

Sodl had nothing additional to report since workshop meeting.

Royer had nothing additional to report since workshop meeting.

Burkner questioned members regarding renewal of membership to Lehigh Valley Chamber of Commerce, no concerns by members to renew membership. Coplay Sports is asking for approval to hold end of summer bonfire on Saturday, October 14 at 7:30 pm at the field, fire department has been contacted and agreed to attend same. Members had many concerns and questions regarding bonfire, including insurance coverage for this type of event? Is there a designated supervisor for the event? Where exactly is the proposed location of the bonfire? What type of material will be burned? Would like verification from fire department on plan for bonfire? And what is the cleanup plan for after the bonfire? Council members requested Administrator contact Coplay Sports to obtain responses to these questions and concerns for further discussion at October workshop meeting. Burkner added Paul Cmil, with Whitehall-Coplay Press in attendance this evening to take individual statements from members regarding the passing of State Representative Dan McNeill.

Eisenhower had nothing additional to report since workshop meeting.

Bodish reported Front Street storm sewer project is ongoing, hopeful same will be complete by next week, have had some issues. Then, CWSA contractor can move forward with curb replacement and pulverizing roadway to prepare for binding of street before winter.

At this time, Pres. Bodish asked for a moment of silence in acknowledgement of the passing of our State Representative Dan McNeill.

Unfinished Business: None.

New Business:

Motion by Luckenbach, second by Eisenhauer to approve 2018 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 – carried.

Motion by Burkner, second by Molitoris to approve Coplay Recreation & Welfare Association Halloween Parade on Tuesday, October 17, 2017 at 7 pm, rain date of 10/24 – carried.

Motion by Royer, second by Luckenbach to approve Trick or Treat Night in the Borough of Coplay as Friday, October 27, 2017 from 6-8 pm, rain date of 10/28 – carried.

Motion by Burkner, second by Royer to approve use of Coplay Pavilion at no fee by Jingle Bell Run on Saturday, December 2, 2017, they will provide proof of insurance, bathroom facilities and clean up of facility – carried.

Motion by Sodl, second by Burkner to approve preparation and advertisement of Request For Proposal for Architect/Building Design of new Municipal Building to be located at 1 Bridge Street property – carried.

Prior to the next motion, Administrator Gynecsek requested fire report be removed from motion, as none was received or read for August, 2017.

Motion by Molitoris, second by Sodl to approve police, health and building inspector reports - carried.

Motion by Burkner, second by Eisenhauer to accept Treasurer Sandra Gynecsek's report for August, 2017 as presented to council – carried.

General Fund	\$ 108,366.82	General Fund MM	\$ 388,821.45
Garbage Fund	\$ 16,297.52	Garbage Fund MM	\$ 171,234.70
State Fund	\$ 71,726.93	Police Pension Fund	\$ 3,662.32
Street Opening Fund	\$ 140,825.18	Recreation Fund	\$ 114,432.88
Emergency Services Fund	\$41,049.84	Garbage Truck MM	\$ 115,916.52
Dept. Projects Account	\$ 211,946.57	Payroll	\$ 16,287.97

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

Resolution and Ordinances: (roll call vote) None.

At this time, Sodl questioned response time frame of RFP for Architect/Design of building at 1 Bridge Street property. Discussion by members resulted in a 45 day deadline, after advertising, to receive Requests For Proposals. Administrator will use same in RFP.

As there was no further business, motion by Sodl, second by Burkner to adjourn meeting at 7:40 pm to executive session for discussion of pending and possible litigation and personnel issues, added by Pres. Bodish at this time. May reconvene for motions if necessary.

Meeting reconvened at 9:20 pm by Pres. Bodish who questioned Administrator regarding additional motions with positive response.

Motion by Sodl, second by Burkner to modify RFP for short term financing according to Solicitor and approve advertisement of same – carried.

Motion by Molitoris, second by Sodl to add 6% interest to any repayments due to the Borough of Coplay along with reimbursement of any associated fees incurred by the borough – carried.

As there was no further business, motion by Royer, second by Burkner to adjourn meeting until next workshop meeting Tuesday, October 3, 2017 at 7 pm and regular meeting Tuesday, October 10, 2017 at 7 pm.

Attest
Borough Secretary