

**COOPERSBURG BOROUGH COUNCIL**  
**Reorganization Meeting Minutes**  
**January 6, 2020**

The reorganization meeting of the Coopersburg Borough Council was held on Tuesday, January 6<sup>th</sup>, in Council Chambers at Borough Hall and called to order by Mayor Hovis at 7:00 p.m.

**OPENING CEREMONIES**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll call was taken by Manager Paashaus. All present were Mayor Hovis, Council Members Balascak, Craig, Dietz, Ellenberger, Kane, Poot, Thrapp, Engineer Erdman, and Solicitor Capehart.

**OATH OF OFFICE**

District Magistrate Trexler administered the Oath of Office for Council Members Kane, Poot, and Thrapp earlier.

**ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

Mayor Hovis opened the floor for nominations for Council President. Balascak was nominated by Poot and seconded by Craig. **Dennis Balascak was elected as Council President by a vote of 6-0 (Balascak abstained).**

Mayor Hovis opened the floor for nominations for Council Vice President. Poot was nominated by Dietz and seconded by Balascak. **Dick Poot was elected Council Vice President by a vote of 6-0 (Poot abstained).**

At this time, the meeting was turned over to Council President Balascak to preside.

**APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS**

A Motion was made by Thrapp and seconded by Dietz to reappoint the professional advisors. **The Motion to reappoint all previous advisors passed by a vote of 6-0 (Craig abstained) (Solicitor – Gross McGinley, Engineer – Keystone Consulting Engineers, Zoning Officer/Code Enforcement Officer – Barry Isett, and Health Inspector – Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture).**

**NEW BUSINESS**

Council President Balascak stated a summary of each Borough service or department and commented on their positive attributes. Other Council Members stated their thoughts on the condition of the Borough and how to continue in a positive direction.

**SELECTION OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES**

The 2020 – 2021 Committee Assignments are as follows:

1. Dietz and Kane – Infrastructure Committee
2. Poot and Ellenberger – Administration Committee
3. Mayor Hovis, Thrapp, and Craig – Public Safety Committee

**PUBLIC MEETING DATES**

The 2020 – 2021 Public Meeting Dates are as follows:

1. Council Committee Workshop – 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of every month at 7:00 PM (except September due to Labor Day)
2. Regular Council Meeting – 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of every month at 7:00 PM

**ADJOURNMENT**

Council Member Craig made a motion to adjourn which was seconded by Thrapp. The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 PM.