

COOPERSBURG BOROUGH COUNCIL
Regular Meeting Minutes
April 18, 2023

The meeting of the Coopersburg Borough Council was held in Borough Hall on Tuesday, April 18th & was called to order by Council President Poot at 7:00 p.m.

OPENING CEREMONIES

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

All present were Council Members Dietz, Dowdle, Ellenberger, Kane, Poot, Manager Paashaus, McCarthy Engineering, Solicitor Gross McGinley, Jr. Council Bealer.

Council Members Norman & Thrapp were absent.

AGENDA

A Motion was made by Dowdle & seconded by Dietz to approve the Agenda as written. **The Agenda was adopted by a vote of 5-0.**

PUBLIC COMMENT

Anna Ellenberger, Historical Society Vice President, invited Council Members to a free event on April 29, 2023. The event will be at Borough Hall, and will feature an expert author on barns, history, & structure.

Although expected, no resident was present to inquire about the change in the trash collection cost increase.

CONSENT AGENDA

A Motion was made by Dietz & seconded by Dowdle to receive the Monthly Reports (Financial Statements, Council Information Report, Police Report, Engineer Report, & 2022 Borough Audit Report. Fire Report was not included), & approve the previous meeting minutes from March 21, 2023. **The Consent Agenda was approved by a vote of 5-0.**

ACTION ITEMS

1. A Motion was made by Ellenberger & seconded by Dowdle to approve payments to Upper Saucon Township for WWTP Capital Costs (\$93,085.96) & WWTP Usage Costs (\$324,057.29) for the 2021/2022 fiscal year. **The Motion was approved by a vote of 5-0.**

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

1. Infrastructure – Council Member Dietz gave an update on the following items:
 - a. Public Works – Continuing to replace water meters (100+ left), fixed 2 water main breaks, continuing maintenance, & working with/around UGI on Main Street.
 - b. Ashford Preserve – Updated plans were submitted. NPDES Permit issued, but no further progress.
 - c. Comcast – The underground work is complete. The aerial work started.
 - d. MSK – No further update. Manager is attempting to get the owner to finalized and record plans.
 - e. Stone Harvest – Still waiting on N.O.T.
 - f. Oxford Ridge – Details & Plans requested, prior to their modification with LCCD.
 - g. MS4 –Public Works will continue with ongoing education, public education, & document all cleanings of inlets or improvements.
 - h. Liberty Trail Culvert – Safety fencing was installed. No further update.
 - i. Water Authority – 100 Meters to replace.
 - j. Comp Plan – The CCPIC is continuing to finalize all the key goals for the Comp Plan Update.
2. Public Safety – Tim Lockard, Fire Company Vice President, stated that 7 members had completed Fire Fighter 2, call volume attendance has been good, & the air packs arrived. They have engaged in more training drills with the new air packs. Mayor Hovis stated that Senator Coleman’s office expressed interest in assisting the Fire Company however possible.
3. Administration & Finance – Council Member Kane highlighted the 2022 Audit Report, & Manager Paashaus gave a summary of a “clean” audit.

REPORTS OF PROFESSIONAL ADVISORS

1. Solicitor: No additional report.
2. Engineer: No additional report.

3. Borough Manager: No additional report.
4. Jr. Council: No additional report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

ADJOURNMENT

A Motion was made by Dowdle & seconded by Ellenberger to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 7:18 PM.