

**COOPERSBURG BOROUGH COUNCIL**  
**Budget Meeting Minutes**  
**October 7, 2025**

The meeting of the Coopersburg Borough Council was held on Tuesday, October 7<sup>th</sup>, in Council Chambers at Borough Hall & called to order by Council President Dowdle at 7:00 p.m.

**OPENING CEREMONIES** – Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call was taken by Manager Paashaus. All present were Mayor Hovis, Council Members Dietz, Dowdle, Ellenberger, Norman, Poot, Ritter, Yeager, Solicitor Ulrich, Chief Struss, PW Purfeerst, & McCarthy Engineering.

**AGENDA**

A Motion was made by Dietz & seconded by Ritter to approve the Agenda without changes. **The Agenda was adopted by a vote of 7-0.**

**PUBLIC COMMENT** – None.

**BUDGET PRESENTATION**

1. Southern Lehigh Living Memorial Park – Doug Albright presented information regarding the park, its challenges, projects, maintenance, tree trimming, & the cost assessment for the old VFW/Community Building. The Park board is requesting \$25,000.00 for the 2026 allocation (2025 = \$20,000.00).
2. Coopersburg Fire Company – Norm Kessler, Fire Company Treasurer, was present to discuss the budget desires of the fire company, equipment needs, grant funding, & cost increases. Dave Huber, Fire Chief, gave examples of increasing costs, FEMA grant funding & discussed the desire to build a \$4.5million station. The Fire Company was requesting \$50,000.00 for an annual contribution for 2026 (2025 = \$47,500.00).
3. Southern Lehigh Public Library – Mark Sullivan, Library Executive Director, presented information regarding the library, its financial status, fundraisers, funding reserve, & proposed budget. The library is planning on responsibly drawing down its reserve before requesting increases from contributing partners. The library is requesting to keep the same funding level for 2026 (2025 = \$23,000.00).
4. Upper Saucon Ambulance Corps – No attendance or presentation. The ambulance was requesting \$15,000.00 for an annual contribution in 2026 (2025 = \$10,000.00).

All pertinent information for the Fire Company, Park, Library, & Ambulance Corps are in the information packet.

**NEW BUSINESS**

No New Business.

**ADJOURNMENT**

A Motion was made by Ellenberger & seconded by Dietz to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 7:23 PM.